



## OUR PURPOSE

Purpose:

- Why did God create us?
- What is our purpose in life?

### APPLICATION:

#### Genesis 1:26-27

What does it mean to be an “image-bearer” of God?

- We were specially designed for the purpose of bearing God’s image.
- Like a tool designed for a specific purpose- so were we designed to be like God, to think like him, act like him, communicate like him and feel like him

If God created us to reflect his image, we must learn what God is like: Psalm 103 will give us insights into a healthy, clear image of who God is and what he feels for us.

#### Psalm 103:8-14

- He is our Father- and like children we are made in his image as objects of his love.
- Some people view God differently than this verse tells us- as an absent Father, a boss, or maybe even a dictator.
- If we don’t admire God, we won’t want to be like him.

Do you think of God as a loving Father? If not, then how do you view Him? Why?

God loves us like a Father should love their child, but what does he desire from us? Does he have purposes for us other than reflecting his image?

#### Micah 6:6-8

- This scripture makes it clear that God doesn’t desire our work or our money or our sacrifice- like a boss would expect from an employee. God wants us to walk with him.

What does it mean to walk with God? Is that something you’ve experienced?

### AT A GLANCE

#### SCRIPTURES:

- Genesis 1:26-27
- Psalm 103:8-14
- Micah 6:6-8
- Matthew 22:34-40
- Matthew 7:7-11
- Acts 17:22-28

#### NEXT STEPS:

- Begin praying daily to draw nearer to God- learn how to express yourself to him and become more comfortable talking with him.
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#### Matthew 22:34-40

- God wants us to love him more than anything else in life.

What does it mean to love God like this?  
What does it look like?

WE CAN CONCLUDE FROM THESE  
VERSES THAT OUR PURPOSE IN LIFE IS

How do you feel about God's purpose for your life?

To know, and  
to love,  
and to walk  
with God

Our response ought to be to seek a relationship with God.

#### Matthew 7:7-11

- God is a good Father- we can be confident he will draw near to us if we attempt to draw near to him.

How do you feel about beginning to draw near to God?

#### Acts 17:22-28

- God wants us to reach out to him, and he assures us that when we reach out we will find him.

Do you feel ready to learn to love God and seek after a relationship with him?

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