

Series: Real Life on Purpose
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January 8, 2023

James 1:8 | Isaiah 49:4 | Job 7:6, 17 | Jeremiah 29:11 | Philippians 3:13-14
Ezra 10:4 | Ephesians 1:4-5; 2:10; 5:15

What is Real Life on purpose?

Why am I here?

To know God and live in relationship with Him.

The benefits of living a real life on purpose:

1. It will reduce frustration.
2. It will increase motivation.
3. It will allow focus.
4. It will influence (help).

How to get started:

- Identify what's been driving my life so far.
- Believe God has a purpose for my life.
- Receive God's Son into my life.

Life Group Study

For week of January 8, 2023

Welcome to our Winter session of Life Groups! Many of our Life Groups use this insert as a discussion guide throughout the week. We encourage you to take that next step in your journey with Jesus & His church by joining one today! <https://rlc.pub/groups>

Share your story

Spend the time to ponder: What are your hopes and dreams as you dive into 2023?

Looking back over what Jeff talked about on Sunday, was there something you'd like to share?

What helps you to live your life with purpose?

Connect to God's story

Read Matthew 5:13-16.

Jesus tells us that we are the salt of the earth and the light of the world. What do you think Jesus meant when He called those following Him salt and light?

Many, if not all, of the people listening to Jesus on this mountainside were not feeling especially tasty or brilliant when Jesus gave them the identity of "salt of the earth" and "light of the world". What do you do when God gives you an identity that you have difficulty believing or find yourself saying "are you sure you mean me?"

Can you think of a time when the salt and light of another follower of Jesus impacted you? What happened?

How does believing Jesus help us live life on purpose?

Read John 10:7-10.

Jesus contrasted his purpose with that of the enemy of our soul. What does Jesus desire to give us?

What does it mean to have a blessed life? In what ways do you think our culture keeps us from understanding what a blessed life truly is?

What purpose for your life have you gained by following the Savior?
Take a moment to thank Him for giving you an abundant life.

THE PURPOSE OF LIFE GROUPS

Life Groups exist to promote spiritual maturity and personal growth through meaningful relationships with Jesus and each other through the study of God's Word (Romans 8:29 & Hebrews 10:24-25).

Here's how we accomplish this in our community throughout the week:

SHARE

Each week we'll take time to share what is happening in our lives. At first this sharing will include planned "sharing questions." But after the first few weeks, it will become more informal and personal as we feel more comfortable.

STUDY

Each week we'll study a section from God's Word that relates to the previous weekend's sermon or an appropriate personal growth topic. Our goal is to learn how to live out our Christianity in everyday life by following Jesus.

SUPPORT

Each week we'll learn how to take care of one another as Christ commanded (John 15:9-13). This care can take many forms such as prayer, encouragement, listening, challenging one another and meeting real needs.

SERVE

Spiritual growth is fostered not only by what we gain through the support and input of others, but also through service to others. The role each of us fills is important to the health of the church and for us to be the hands and feet of Jesus to the community in which we live (Ephesians 4:11-16).

Throughout the Life Group session, it is our hope that you can find and/or be affirmed in the ways the Father has designed you to serve and make a difference in His kingdom as He conforms you to the image of His Son! (Romans 8:28-30)