

## The Beginning of a New Year and a New Decade

# Where is your life going?

3-Week Sermon Series Overview:

Week 1 – Hope: Finding meaning and developing your Life Mission

**Week 2 – Love: God created you for love**

Week 3 – Endurance: Overcoming the obstacles you will face pursuing your Life Mission

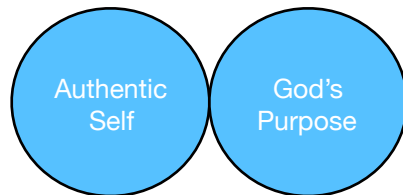
Romans 15:13

“Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you will abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.”

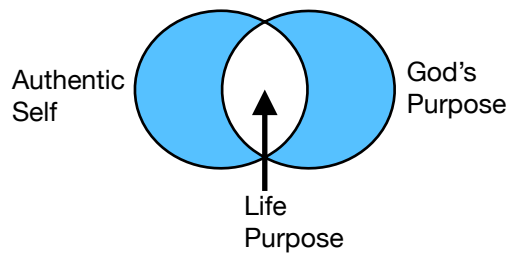
- Key word is: “Believing” what you believe is one of the most important things about you.

Equation for winning **AT** life:

Knowing your authentic self + knowing God’s purpose in the world = powerful life mission



Spiritual growth is discovering your life purpose.



God’s Purpose is love proven by:

1) Adopting you into His loving family through Jesus

- Ephesians 1:4-5, “Long before he laid down earth’s foundations, he had us in mind, had settled on us as the focus of his love, to be made whole and holy by his love. Long, long ago he decided to adopt us into his family through Jesus Christ.” Message
- Hosea 6:6 says, “For I delight in loyalty rather than sacrifice, And in the knowledge of Me (God) rather than burnt offerings.
- Psalms 147:11 says, “The Lord takes pleasure in those who honor Him, in those who trust in His constant love.”

- 2) Connecting you into His loving community.
  - Ephesians 2:19-22, " Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit."
  
  - John 13:35, By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."
  
- 3) Engaging you in your true mission in life by giving you a ministry.
  - Ephesians 4:11-13, "So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ."
  
  - 1 Peter 4:10, "As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God."

Now that you understand God's purpose in this world, what is your intentional decision to live and walk in it? This is how you live your life mission.