### **PURPOSE**

What is your purpose? Oftentimes when you ask a person this question he or she may respond by saying "I don't know." You should know what is your purpose in life, what God has created you to do, why you are here on earth, and what it is you should be doing right now.

God is a God of order and purpose. Everything He created has a purpose. In the beginning God created man and woman to bear His image, reflect His glory, imitate His action and speak His Word. (Genesis 1:27.)

Abraham's purpose was to be the father of many nations. (Genesis 15:4-6.) King David's purpose was to be king over Israel, God chose him because that was what he created him for, (read 1 Samuel 16:11-13). Mary's purpose was to carry Jesus in her womb for nine months and then give birth to Him. (Matthew 1:23.) The disciples purpose was to go and preach the Gospel to all the world. (Mark16:15.)

The Gospel is a life demonstrating message. You can be in any profession and still preach the Gospel verbally or by letting your light shine. You may be operating in your purpose and don't even know it. If you are a good listener and you listen to people attentively that could be your purpose. Listening is an art/gift not too many people possess, so don't take it lightly because you are not doing something that someone

else is doing. Your purpose is not to do what everyone else is doing. That is called follow-patterning. Your purpose should fit you like a glove.

Some women's purpose is to be mothers, and some men purpose is to be fathers. Therefore it is your duty to instill godly values into your children. If you are a teacher, teach your students right from wrong. If you enjoy cleaning and putting things in order that could be your purpose. My brothers and sisters whatever is your purpose do it to your best ability and give God the glory. Don't keep this message to yourself share it with someone else.

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# LOYE VALUES & PURPOSE

It is time to revisit these three attributes in your life and then make the necessary adjustments. God loves you, you are still valuable to Him and you have a divine purpose to fulfill.

LOVE EACH OTHER. DEEPLY.(1 Peter 4:8)

LIVE BY GODLY VALUES (Luke 16:15)

FULFILL YOUR PURPOSE (Romans 12:6)

Dear Chosen One:

This month we celebrate Valentine's Day, a day when many people will demonstrate artificial love by doing and saying things that they don't really mean but they are willing to do these thigs for one day to appease someone else. LOVE has become a trend that consumers use to promote their products instead of an action word.

Today, I want to speak to you about these three important things. Love, Value and Purpose. I believe that people who possess these three attributes are destine to succeed in life.

## LOVE

The Bible tells us in 1 John 4:16 that God is LOVE. In the New Testament Matthew 5:44 says, "Love your enemies and pray for those \$ who persecute you." Mark 12:30 says "Love 2 the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength." Luke 10:27 says "Love your neighbor as yourself." John 14:15 Jesus says "If you love me, you will obey my command." In Acts 4:32 "The believers demonstrated Love by sharing their possessions with each other." Romans 12:9 says "Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil, cling to what is good." 1Corinthians 13:2 says "You can have all the gifts, knowledge, and faith but without Love you are nothing."

So here is my question for you. How is your Love Life? And how are you treating others? Let's start with yourself. When was the last time you looked into the mirror and told yourself that you love you! Love starts from within, you have to love yourself first before you can appreciate God's love and share it with others.

You can be friendly, nice, generous, smart, educated, go to church faithfully, and even preach the Word of God with hatred in your heart.

Don't depreciate the love you have for yourself because of what you have done or because of where you are and don't allow anyone to define your self-love because of your past action. God's love is unconditional. He looks at our hearts and not our good works. Repent and cleanse your heart.

## **VALUES**

Our values are moral principles we set and live by. Christians are to follow and live according to godly principles. Why? God has instructed us through His Word how to live our lives. Many individuals have lowered their values to fit in with the crowd around them. Anything the Bible tells us is Sin, we should not engage in, watch others do or encourage others to do even when we are not partaking in these things ourselves.

Values are important in our lives, when we are doing business with others and when we set standards in our homes and the church. Values set us apart from others. When a person has an addiction, money becomes his or her core value-not the drug. That person needs money to buy the drug so he or she will steal, cheat, lie, hurt others, sell their body or even kill to get that money to satisfy that addiction. The drug has altered that person's morals, to the point that their love ones and others are no longer valuable any more only that drug. The greed for money has become the core value for many people in society.

Mark 8:36 says, "What good is it for a man/woman to gain the whole world, yet forfeit his/her soul." In this era many Pastors, Clergies, and Christians are compromising godly values by calling wrong right and overlooking sinful behaviors in order to avoid being rejected or ostracized. Some people are afraid to stand up for righteousness. They are afraid to publicly speak out about sin, they are afraid to tell people that hell is a real place. They are afraid to tell people to repent and live Holy, and they are afraid to tell people that there is only Tone way to God and it is through His Son-Jesus Christ. Remember, you are accountable for your own Values.