

Victory Life Christian Center

2023 Home Coming Sunday

Our Vision:

Building Solid Foundations for Strong Families by teaching:

- Who God is, and His provision for us.
- How to live a life in the Spirit, and
- How to discover our purpose.

1. Who God Is ~ “The Fatherhood of God”

- God is Love:
 - Jn. 3.16, “For God so loved . . .”
 - 1Jn. 4.8, “God is love.”

Rom. 8.32, “He who did not spare His own Son, But delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?”

Eph. 1.3, “Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the Heavenly places **IN Christ.**”

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2. How To Live A Life In The Spirit ~

- Holy Spirit ruled, led.

Rom. 8.1,2; 8 Therefore, [there is] now no condemnation (no adjudging guilty of wrong) for those who are **in Christ Jesus**, who live [and] walk not after the **dictates** of the flesh, but after the dictates of the Spirit.

- **Dictates:** Commands, rule of.

² For the law of the **spirit of life** [which is] in Christ Jesus [**the law of our new being**] has freed me from the law of sin and of death.

- **“Sin & Death:** Curse of the law: Spiritual death, Poverty, Sickness.

³ For God has done what the Law could not do, [its power] being weakened by the flesh [the entire nature of man without the Holy Spirit]. Sending His own Son in the guise of sinful flesh and as an offering for sin, **[God] condemned sin** in the flesh [subdued, overcame, deprived it of its power over all who accept that sacrifice],

- Vs. 1 & 3 = **God** Condemned sin not ME!

3. How To Discover Your Purpose and Live in Destiny ~

“**Purpose**” : An appointed or ordained future in God’s Divine plan.

“**Destiny**”: Result of choices. The power that predetermines the course of events.

- Understand, man has become the players of life’s chessboard. The only thing different about this game is, we are the pons who do the choosing of which team we are on.
- Our choices is what determines whether we “stay on target” or “abort” God’s plan for our lives = **PURPOSE**.
- God is sovereign: Supreme Ruler, Kingly Authority, Unrestricted Power.
- God’s sovereignty **means** He has all power and authority. And He chooses to let us make choices.

Proverbs 4.23, “Keep [guard] your heart with all diligence, for out of it spring the issues of life.”

“**Diligent**” : Energetic effort; like when shopping for tires, you research to find a deal.
Actively engaged; such as when in pursuit of a degree, or FB stalking.

- Many people ask themselves, “What is God’s will for my life?” It’s safe to say, we have all asked this question many times.
 - We want to know “**WHY**” we are here on earth?
 - We desire to know our unique purpose.
- It has been said, “They’re two great days in a person’s life. The day they were **born**, and the day they discover their **“WHY”**.
 - It’s the “**WHY**” that gives us a mission,
 - It’s understanding the “**WHY**” that sets our feet in motion as we work to live up to our God-given potential.
- The truth is, the why of our existence starts with the heart = **TEXT**
- As I think about this, I realize that for all of us, God’s heart has desired a few things:
 - Faithfulness in His followers: Undivided heart. Ps. 86.11.
 - Righteous living: Matt 6.33; His way of doing right.
 - His Word / Truth: Mk. 16.15-20, CO-mission.

