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The Purpose of God Stands

Romans 8:26 WEB

“26 ¶ Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. 27 And He that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the mind of the Spirit, because He maketh intercession for the saints, according to the will of God. 28 ¶ And we know that all things work together for good, to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose.”

II Timothy 3:10-14 NASB95

“10 Now you followed my teaching, conduct, purpose, faith, patience, love, perseverance, 11 persecutions, and sufferings, such as happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium and at Lystra; what persecutions I endured, and out of them all the Lord rescued me! 12 Indeed, all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will be persecuted. 13 But evil men and impostors will proceed from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived. 14 You, however, continue in the things you have learned and become convinced of, knowing from whom you have learned them,”

Ephesians 1:11-12 NKJV

“11 In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will, 12 that we who first trusted in Christ should be to the praise of His glory.”

Acts 11:19-26 LSB

“19 So then those who were scattered because of the persecution that occurred in connection with Stephen made their way to Phoenicia and Cyprus and Antioch, speaking the word to no one except to Jews alone. 20 But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who came to **Antioch** and began speaking to the Greeks also, proclaiming **the good news of the Lord Jesus.** 21 **And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a large number who believed turned to the Lord.** 22 Now the news about them reached the ears of the church at Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas off to Antioch, 23 who, when he arrived and **saw the grace of God, rejoiced and began to encourage them all with a purposeful heart to remain true to the Lord;** 24 for he was a good man, and full of the Holy Spirit and of faith.

And a considerable crowd was brought to the Lord. 25 And he left for Tarsus to search for Saul; 26 and when he found him, he brought him to Antioch. And it happened that for an entire year they met with the church and taught a considerable crowd. And the disciples were first called Christians in Antioch.”

Vessels of Gold

“You and your body have been dedicated to hold and host the Holy God as a temple of the Holy Spirit.”

II Timothy 2:19-21 NKJV

“19 Nevertheless the solid foundation of God stands, having this seal: “The Lord knows those who are His,” and, “Let everyone who names the name of Christ depart from iniquity.”

The foundation of God

Proverbs 10:25 – “25 When the whirlwind passes by, the wicked is no more, but the righteous has an everlasting foundation.”

Isaiah 28:16 – “16 Therefore thus says the Lord GOD:

“Behold, I lay in Zion a stone for a foundation,

A tried stone, a precious cornerstone, a sure foundation;

Whoever believes will not act hastily.”

Luke 6:48 – “48 “He is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid the foundation on the rock. And when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently against that house, and could not shake it, for it was founded on the rock.”

1 Corinthians 3:10-11 – “10 According to the grace of God which was given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on

it. But let each one take heed how he builds on it.” 11 For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.”

Stands

Romans 9:11 – “11(for the children not yet being born, nor having done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to election might stand, not of works but of Him who calls),”

- [Read Romans 9-11]

Vs 23 “...**He might make known the riches of His glory on the vessels of mercy, which He had prepared beforehand for glory,**”

Phil. 4:1 KJV – “1 Therefore, my brethren dearly beloved and longed for, my joy and crown, so stand fast in the Lord, my dearly beloved.”

Galatians 5:1 NKJV – “1 Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free, and do not be entangled again with a yoke of bondage.”

Sure, or Steady

Psalms 112:6 – “6 Surely he will never be shaken; The righteous will be in everlasting remembrance.”

Psalms 125:1-2 - “1Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion, Which cannot be moved, but abides forever. 2 – “As the mountains surround Jerusalem, So the LORD surrounds His people from this time forth and forever.”

Having this seal

Ephesians 4:30 – “And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.”

The Lord knows them that are his

Psalms 37:18 – “18 The LORD knows the days of the upright, and their inheritance shall be forever.”

Nahum 1:7 – “7 The LORD is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble; and He knows those who trust in Him.”

John 10:27-30 – “27 My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. 28 And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand. 29 My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father’s hand. 30 “I and My Father are one.”

Romans 8:28 – “28 And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.”

1Corinthians 8:3- “3 But if anyone loves God, this one is known by Him.”

Let everyone that names the name of Christ

1Corinthians 1:2 – “2 To the church of God which is at Corinth, *to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints*, with all who in every place call on the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours:”

Revelation 22:4 – “4 They shall see His face, and His name shall be on their foreheads.”

Depart from iniquity

Psalms 34:14 – “14 Depart from evil and do good; Seek peace and pursue it.”

Romans 12:9 – “9 Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good.”

2Corinthians 7:1 – “1 Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.”

Ephesians 5:1 - “1 Therefore be imitators of God as dear children.”

Ephesians 5:8-10 – “8 For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light 9 (for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, righteousness, and truth), 10 finding out what is acceptable to the Lord.”

Titus 2:11-14 - “11 For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, 12 teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, 13 looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, 14 who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works.”

I Peter 1:16-19 - “16 because it is written, “Be holy, for I am holy. 17 And if you call on the Father, who without partiality judges according to each one’s work, conduct yourselves throughout the time of your stay here in fear; 18 knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, 19 but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.”

2 Peter 3:14 – “14 Therefore, beloved, looking forward to these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, without spot and blameless;”

20 But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay, some for honor and some for dishonor. 21 Therefore if anyone cleanses himself from the latter, he will be a vessel for honor, sanctified and useful for the Master, prepared for every good work.”

II Timothy 2:19-21 AMPC

“19 But the firm foundation of (laid by) God stands, sure and unshaken, bearing this seal (inscription): The Lord knows those who are His, and, Let everyone who names [himself by] the name of the Lord give up all iniquity and stand aloof from it.

20 But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and silver, but also [utensils] of wood and earthenware, and some for honorable and noble [use] and some for menial and ignoble [use].

21 So whoever cleanses himself [from what is ignoble and unclean, who separates himself from contact with contaminating and corrupting influences] will [then himself] be a vessel set apart and useful for honorable and noble purposes, consecrated and profitable to the Master, fit and ready for any good work.”

II Timothy 2:19-21 ESV

“19 But God's firm foundation stands, bearing this seal: “The Lord knows those who are his,” and, “Let everyone who names the name of the Lord depart from iniquity.”

20 Now in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and silver but also of wood and clay, some for honorable use, some for dishonorable. 21 Therefore, if anyone cleanses himself from what is dishonorable, he will be a vessel for honorable use, set apart as holy, useful to the master of the house, ready for every good work.”

The Lord’s has said:

- “Look for the gold.”
- “The gold is My Very Best. The gold is what you become as you seek My Glory.”
- “You shall see My glory and goodness revealed as never before.”
- “Look for the gold and allow His glory to have the dominion.”
- “Father, I ask for miracles to manifest DAILY in Jesus Mighty name.”

Colossians 3:1-4 NLT

“1 Since you have been raised to new life with Christ, set your sights on the realities of heaven, where Christ sits in the place of honor at God’s right hand.

2 Think about the things of heaven, not the things of earth. 3 For you died to this life, and ***your real life is hidden with Christ in God.*** 4 And when Christ, who is your life, is revealed to the whole world, you will share in all his glory.”

“We have to look for the gold and allow His glory to have the dominion in our everyday lives and our heart. We have to look for the gold. Because when we look for the gold, it will bring us into the glory of God.”

“He transforms us. He purifies us. ‘Create in me a clean heart, O God.’ (Psalm 51:10).

“He's making us like pure gold.”

“Despite the fact that many may stray from the truth, [Matthew 24:11], and false teachers may make inroads into the church, verse 14 through 18, **the purpose of God for His faithful followers cannot be thwarted.**

The foundation of God, that is the true church, cannot be destroyed. On this foundation 2 truths are described, referring to those who belong to Christ's Church. (1) God unerringly knows those who remain true to His original gospel and those who compromise its truths, and (2) those who really belong to God turn away from wickedness and false teaching.

Verse 2:21 – ‘purge himself from these’ - Just as a large house contains various utensils, and God's visible church on earth there are many “vessels”. There are utensils of honor, that is faithful believers who separate from evil and hold firmly to the true gospel according to Biblical revelation, and utensils of ‘dishonor’ i.e., false believers who compromise with the world and stray from the truth. (vs 14 through 19.)

Those among the faithful who desire to be useful to the master must have a sure foundation in Christ Jesus and must depart from iniquity. (Verse 19). Thus, human instruments for noble purposes are sanctified, useful to their master and prepared to do good works. (Verse 21)”

Life in the Spirit Bible, study notes, p. 1935

“We want entire regions to shake under the Holy Spirit's influence.”

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