

Life Under Construction

Purposely Involved

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1 Corinthians 6:19-20 "Don't you realize that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and was given to you by God? You do not belong to yourself, ²⁰for God bought you with a high price. So you must honor God with your body." (NLT=New Living Translation)

1. Change your _____

Ephesians 2:10 "For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago." (NLT)

- You are a _____ created by God
- You are uniquely created for His purposes

so we can do the good things he planned for us

- Your purpose was _____ before creation

good things he planned for us long ago

2. Get involved in good deeds that point people to Jesus

Matthew 5:14-16 "You are the light of the world—like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. ¹⁵No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father." (NLT)

- Good deeds give us influential _____
- Good deeds _____ our influential role in this world

3. Discover the potential of your gifting

1 Corinthians 12:7 "A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other." (NLT)

- A spiritual gift was given to you to fulfill your _____
- Becoming purposely involved _____ your gifting

I Corinthians 1:9 "God will do this, for he is faithful to do what he says, and he has invited you into partnership with his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord." (NLT)

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Discussion Questions:

1. What do you think about I Corinthians 6:19-20 when it says we do not belong to ourselves? Is this a tough concept for us? Why would we struggle with this? Do most people live as if their lives belong to themselves? How so?
2. If we are going to be purposely involved, how do we have to change our thinking? How does Ephesians 2:20 help us with this?
3. To be purposely involved will require we prioritize good deeds for others to see. Read Matthew 5:14-16. Where do we practice these good deeds? What is the result of these good deeds?
4. To be purposely involved we need to employ our spiritual gifting. What is God's point in giving us gifts? What can we do to discover our spiritual gifting?
5. How is being purposely involved a partnership with Jesus?