

WHY ME?



discovering your **place** in God's plan

MADE WITH PURPOSE.

"It takes all kinds of people to make a world"

Some of us thrive as communicators, while others avoid the spotlight at all cost. Some of us light up at the chance to stretch our brains with a math problem, while others stretch their fingers towards Google when confronted with an equation. Some of us are planners/gatherers/doers, while others enjoy taking orders, working alone, or having a steady routine.

God made each and every one of these "somebodies" for a purpose.

He has gifted His children with specific talents, passions, and positions to share His love and message best.

He has made you who you are for a reason.

He has put you where you are for a purpose.

And He plans to use us for His glory and all types of goodness.

You in?

IN THE BIBLE.

1 Corinthians 12:12-14

Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ. 13For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. 14Even so the body is not made up of one part but of many.

Romans 12:1-8

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. 2 Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

3 For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you. 4 For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, 5 so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. 6 We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; 7 if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; 8 if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

QUESTIONS.

- 1.) What is one thing/talent/passion God has gifted you with?
- 2.) What is one thing/talent/passion God has gifted someone else in this group with? Share with them.
- 3.) How can you use your individual gift(s) to spread God's love and message? How can the gifts we all shared be used together?

Whenever you read the Bible, ask yourself these three questions:

1. What does this tell you about God?
2. What does this tell you about yourself and the world?
3. How is this going to change who you are and how you live?