

Joshua Lesson 14 – Your Purpose in Life

Join us for the conclusion of our series “Life is a Battle” as we see what God’s purpose for each one of us is! We will take a look back at the journey of the Israelites: enslaved in Egypt, wandering in the wilderness and finally making it into the Promised Land. Today we will look at our own lives and ask: am I stuck in Egypt? Am I wandering in the wilderness or have I made it into the Promised Land?!!

Joshua 21:43–45 (AMP)

⁴³ And the Lord gave to Israel all the land which He had sworn to give to their fathers, and they possessed it and dwelt in it. ⁴⁴ The Lord gave them rest round about, just as He had sworn to their fathers. Not one of all their enemies withstood them; the Lord delivered all their enemies into their hands. ⁴⁵ There failed no part of any good thing which the Lord had promised to the house of Israel; all came to pass



Galatians 5:19-21 When you follow the desires of your sinful nature, the results are very clear: sexual immorality, impurity, lustful pleasures, idolatry, sorcery, hostility, quarreling, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambition, dissension, division, envy, drunkenness, wild parties, and other sins like these. Let me tell you again, as I have before, that anyone living that sort of life will not inherit the Kingdom of God.

Romans 3:23

For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard.

Isaiah 53 (NLT)

³ He was despised and rejected— a man of sorrows, acquainted with deepest grief. We turned our backs on him and looked the other way. He was despised, and we did

not care. ⁴ Yet it was our weaknesses he carried; it was our sorrows that weighed him down. And we thought his troubles were a punishment from God, a punishment for his own sins! ⁵ But he was pierced for our rebellion, crushed for our sins. He was beaten so we could be whole. He was whipped so we could be healed. ⁶ All of us, like sheep, have strayed away. We have left God's paths to follow our own. Yet the LORD laid on him the sins of us all.

Galatians 5:22–23 (NLT)

²² But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things!

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.



Acts 17:26 From one man he made all the nations, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he marked out their appointed times in history and the boundaries of their lands.

Romans 12:6 In his grace, God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well.

1 Peter 4:10 God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another.





Acts 12:1 It was about this time that King Herod arrested some who belonged to the church, intending to persecute them. He had James, the brother of John, put to death with the sword. When he saw that this met with approval among the Jews, he proceeded to seize Peter also. This happened during the Festival of Unleavened Bread. After arresting him, he put him in prison, handing him over to be guarded by four squads of four soldiers each. Herod intended to bring him out for public trial after the Passover.

So Peter was kept in prison, but the church was earnestly praying to God for him.

The night before Herod was to bring him to trial, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains, and sentries stood guard at the entrance. Suddenly an angel of

the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He struck Peter on the side and woke him up. "Quick, get up!" he said, and the chains fell off Peter's wrists.

Joshua 24 (NASB95)

¹ Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem...

¹⁴ "Now, therefore, fear the LORD and serve Him in sincerity and truth; and put away the gods which your fathers served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. ¹⁵ ...choose for yourselves today whom you will serve...but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD." ¹⁶ ²⁸ Then Joshua dismissed the people, each to his inheritance. ²⁹ It came about after these things that Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of the LORD, died, being one hundred and ten years old.