

SUNDAY MESSAGE NOTES AND INTERACTIVE PDF

Purpose Starts with Knowing God

Rest in the Father's love, then follow Him into the good work prepared for your life.

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Purpose Starts with Knowing God	Pastor Hannah Gillick
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NOTES

Truth to carry into the week.

01 Begin with knowing and being loved by God.

- God made us to seek Him; in Him we live and move and have our being. Purpose begins in fellowship with our Creator. ([Acts 17:26-28](#))
- He promises that those who seek Him with all their heart will find Him. Bring your whole heart to prayer. ([Jeremiah 29:11-13](#))
- Rest in His love before trying to earn approval through accomplishment. Receive what He has already given in Christ. ([1 John 4:9-10](#))

"we were created to know God"

STUDY [Acts 17:26-28](#); [Jeremiah 29:11-13](#)

02 Live as His beloved child.

- Those who receive Christ and believe in His name are given the right to become children of God. This identity is a gift, not a performance. ([John 1:12-13](#))
- Let that belonging settle anxious striving. You can approach the Father as His child. ([Romans 8:15-16](#))

- Carry His name with humility and love in the ordinary places of your life. ([Ephesians 5:1-2](#))

“You are a child of God”

STUDY [John 1:12-13](#); [Romans 8:15-16](#)

03 Receive holiness and joy.

- God calls His children to be holy in all their conduct because He is holy. His call is toward freedom and closeness with Him. ([1 Peter 1:14-16](#))
- Jesus desires His joy to remain in His people and become full. Joy belongs in the life of fellowship with Him. ([John 15:11](#))
- Make room for His Spirit to redirect your steps and renew your delight in Him. ([Galatians 5:22-25](#))

“be holy for I am holy”

STUDY [1 Peter 1:14-16](#); [John 15:11](#)

04 Walk in the good works prepared for you.

- We are saved by grace through faith, not by our own works. From that gift, we are created in Christ for good works God prepared beforehand. ([Ephesians 2:8-10](#))
- Notice the gifts, convictions, and opportunities God has placed before you. Bring them to Him for direction. ([Romans 12:4-8](#))
- Seek wise training and community instead of walking alone. Let others help you grow and serve. ([Hebrews 10:24-25](#))

“God prepared the good works”

STUDY [Ephesians 2:8-10](#); [Romans 12:4-8](#)

05 Measure success by obedience.

- Paul says he was not disobedient to the heavenly vision. Faithfulness to God’s leading matters more than comparison or outside pressure. ([Acts 26:19](#))
- Jesus calls the faithful person to care well for what seems small. Practice integrity in the place you have now. ([Luke 16:10](#))
- Seek God’s kingdom first and keep your attention on what He has entrusted to you. ([Matthew 6:33](#))

“Your success is your obedience to God”

STUDY [Acts 26:19](#); [Luke 16:10](#)

06 Keep going and speak life.

- Endurance is needed to do God's will and receive what He has promised. Opposition does not by itself end a calling. ([Hebrews 10:36](#))
- Guard your words: the tongue can carry life or death. Speak truth and encouragement rather than surrendering to constant complaint. ([Proverbs 18:21](#))
- Meditate on the Word and do what it says. Return to Scripture and prayer when the path feels hard. ([Joshua 1:8](#))

"speak life"

STUDY [Hebrews 10:36](#); [Proverbs 18:21](#); [Joshua 1:8](#)

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How will I live from His love?

Where have I tried to prove my worth instead of receiving God's love?

How can I live today as the Father's beloved child?

What gift or good work might God be inviting me to develop?

What faithful step can I take when opposition comes?
