

SUNDAY MESSAGE NOTES AND INTERACTIVE PDF

What Did God Send You to Do?

God gives our lives purpose beyond ourselves, and His Word sends us to serve others with the love of Christ.

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What Did God Send You to Do?	Apostle Musili
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NOTES

Truth to carry into the week.

01 God knew you before you knew your purpose.

- God knew Jeremiah before his birth and appointed him to speak to the nations. His calling began with God, before Jeremiah understood what lay ahead. ([Jeremiah 1:4-5](#))
- Our lives are not only for our own benefit. The question of purpose reaches into what we can do for our family, community, and the church. ([Jeremiah 1:5-7](#))
- Purpose is something to seek from God, not something to measure only by present circumstances. Jeremiah had to hear what God had planned before he could answer that call. ([Jeremiah 1:4-7](#))
- What God has placed in a life is meant to be used. The work is not finished simply because we recognize a gift; His direction calls for a response that reaches people. ([Jeremiah 1:5-7](#))

"Because we do not live just for ourselves."

STUDY [Jeremiah 1:4-7](#)

02 An excuse cannot take the place of obedience.

- Jeremiah answered God by pointing to his youth and inability to speak. God answered by sending him and telling him what to say. ([Jeremiah 1:6-7](#))
- The fear of people must not decide whether we obey. God told Jeremiah not to fear their faces because He would be with him. ([Jeremiah 1:8](#))
- A sense of weakness does not have to silence the Word God gives. Jeremiah's answer was about what he could not do; God's answer was about where He would send him and what He would command. ([Jeremiah 1:6-8](#))

"Nothing is going to stop me because I know what God has done in my life."

STUDY [Jeremiah 1:6-8](#)

03 God's light reaches people in dark places.

- Darkness covers the earth in Isaiah's picture, yet the glory of the Lord rises upon His people. Darkness does not put out His light. ([Isaiah 60:1-2](#))
- That light draws others. Serving a neighbor in need gives practical expression to the love of God instead of keeping His goodness to ourselves. ([Isaiah 60:2-3](#))
- Love has something to do when a neighbor has no food or has lost work. Sharing what we have makes help available beyond our own household and turns our attention toward people around us. ([Isaiah 60:1-3](#))

"all of us have a purpose for each other."

STUDY [Isaiah 60:1-3](#)

04 Worship includes what we are willing to give.

- God gave Israel favor so they left Egypt with silver, gold, and clothing. Their deliverance included provision for the journey before them. ([Exodus 12:35-36](#))
- Moses refused to leave the flocks behind: they needed them to serve the Lord. Our possessions belong in our response to God, alongside our words of worship. ([Exodus 10:24-26](#))
- The rich young ruler's attachment to his possessions kept him from following Jesus. Giving exposes what we are holding back from Him. ([Matthew 19:21-22](#))
- The issue is not whether an offering looks large or small. It is whether our heart is willing to follow the Lord when obedience touches what we have worked to obtain. ([Matthew 19:21-22](#))

"when you worship God you give Him your heart"

STUDY [Exodus 12:35-36](#); [Exodus 10:24-26](#); [Matthew 19:21-22](#)

05 God's Word burns when we try to keep silent.

- Jeremiah decided he would no longer speak in the Lord's name, but His Word was like fire shut up in his bones. He could not hold it in. ([Jeremiah 20:9](#))
- God compares His Word to fire and a hammer that breaks rock. A hard heart is not beyond the reach of what He speaks. ([Jeremiah 23:29](#))
- The gospel is carried through people who go and people who support the work. Both responses put what God has given us into His service. ([Jeremiah 1:7](#); [Exodus 10:26](#))
- The fire in Jeremiah's bones was connected to the Word he had received. The strength to speak came from God's work within him, even when he had decided he would say nothing more. ([Jeremiah 20:9](#))

"the Word of the Lord is like fire it is like a hammer that will break rocks into pieces"

STUDY [Jeremiah 20:9](#); [Jeremiah 23:29](#); [Jeremiah 1:7](#); [Exodus 10:26](#)

06 Life in the Holy Spirit flows beyond ourselves.

- Jesus calls the thirsty to come to Him and drink. The living water He gives is received through faith in Him. ([John 7:37-38](#))
- Rivers of living water flow from within those who believe. Jesus was speaking of the Holy Spirit, whom those who believed in Him would receive. ([John 7:38-39](#))
- Knowing the Lord personally is the beginning of what we carry to others. His presence and His Word belong at the center of the work we do. ([John 7:37-39](#); [Jeremiah 1:7](#))
- Jesus begins with thirst and coming to Him. We receive before we have anything to pour out; the life He gives is the source, rather than our confidence in ourselves. ([John 7:37-39](#))

"out of his belly shall flow rivers of the living water."

STUDY [John 7:37-39](#); [Jeremiah 1:7](#)

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What has God given you to do?

What work for your family, community, or church have you recognized as part of God's purpose for your life?

Where has fear or a sense of inadequacy become an excuse, and how does God's answer to Jeremiah address it?

What practical help can you give a neighbor, and what resource are you willing to put into the work of the gospel?

What has God's Word stirred in you that you need to act on rather than keep to yourself?
