

## Know Your Purpose

My friend, Rick, recently started a new ministry called *On Purpose Connection*. His ministry description declares that On Purpose . . .

*“Seeks to encourage and support people to live with intention, relevancy, and effectiveness in every season of life, while expanding the Kingdom of God and fulfilling their God-given destiny.”*

I love his bold declaration. Living life with purpose is a gift that empowers accomplishment and personal fulfillment. People hunger for purpose and direction. *The Purpose Driven Life*, Pastor Rick Warren’s brainchild, is the second best-selling book of all-time. The Bible is first. Biblically speaking, the lack of purpose and direction is often considered a curse. Take Cain for example, whose consequence for murdering his brother, Abel, was to be a “*vagrant and a wanderer on the earth*” (Genesis 4:12). He was to live a life of aimless direction.

If purpose is so important, how does a person find or discover their God-given purpose and destiny? A beginning step can be to formulate your own God-inspired Mission Statement – a written statement of your current life purpose. It will help you express the unique way God has made you to serve Him. To that end, I’ve enclosed the following link to our website to [A Written Guide to Developing a Personal Mission Statement](#).

Try it out and see if it helps you refine your unique life purpose. Jesus knew and declared His purpose: “*He hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord.*” (Luke 4:18). Make sure you know your purpose.