

"I have come to seek and save those who are lost."

"I did not come to be served but to serve and give my life a ransom for many."

"I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full."

When we embrace our purpose, purpose diffuses into every part of our life, and consequently purpose infuses meaning into every part of our life.

Our relationships become a means to this end.

Our careers become a means to this end.

Our stories become a means to this end.

Our talents become a means to this end.

Our money becomes a means to this end.

For Jesus followers, money is a means to an end – God's end, not ours.

"Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also"

Unless Jesus has access to your money, he doesn't have access to your heart.

"It's more blessed to give than receive."

When we live with purpose, it is only a matter of time until we give with purpose.

But godliness with contentment is great gain.

1 Timothy 6:6 NIV

For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it.

1 Timothy 6:8 NIV

But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that.

1 Timothy 6:7 NIV

Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction.

1 Timothy 6:9 NIV

For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.

1 Timothy 6:10 NIV

But you, man of God, flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness.

1 Timothy 6:11 NIV

Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain,

1 Timothy 6:17 NIV

but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment.

1 Timothy 6:17 NIV

Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds,

1 Timothy 6:18 NIV

Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share.

1 Timothy 6:18 NIV

Give Generously Save Wisely Live Responsibly

In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

1 Timothy 6:19 NIV

God's purpose is worth living for, and God's purpose is worth giving to.

We give because of what God has done, not because of what we want God to do.

In the Old Testament, the tithe was the standard. In the New Testament, the cross is the standard.

God invites us to bring Him our worst and our best.

Jesus is the best answer to our communities' worst problems.

Are you in?