



# Why

# Am I Here?

### *To my fellow traveler on life's journey:*

Have you ever thought about this question: "Why am I here?" I'm not talking about the birth process, but something far deeper than the physical aspects of our entrance into this life.

Do you know why you are here? If not, I believe God has sent me to tell you. You were created for the glory of God. He is looking for worshipers, according to the Bible (John 4:23). "Therefore, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God" (1 Corinthians 10:31).

Living for yourself is not living for the glory of God. If you are living for yourself, you are doing *your* will instead of *God's* will, and that is what sin is. "Sin is lawlessness" (1 John 3:4); that is, disobeying God's law. Jesus said, "By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit" (John 15:8). Fruit here represents lives lived for the glory of God. If you planted an apple tree and it never produced apples you might be tempted to cut it down, right? So if we don't bear fruit for God we will someday have to answer to Him about it.

Jesus said, "My food (purpose in life) is to do the will of Him who sent Me" (John 4:34). He always did God's will; it was the most important thing in His life. Is it important to you? Have you read the Bible prayerfully to find out what God's will is for you? If not, then it is obvious that you are living to do your own will rather than living for God's glory.

Here is God's verdict about us: "All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned, every one, to his own way" (Isaiah 53:6). We are "dead in trespasses and sins ... fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath" (Ephesians 2:1,3). "It is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment" (Hebrews 9:27).

Actually, you cannot live to the glory of God until you receive a new life from God. Jesus said, "You must be born again" (John 3:7). Jesus further explains that the way to be born again is to believe (trust) in the Lord Jesus Christ as your Savior. God loved the world, including you, and sent His beloved Son into this world to die on a cross for your sins and mine. He was buried and He arose

from the dead (1 Corinthians 15:4), and is now at God's right hand in heaven, a living Savior for a world of needy sinners. He wants to be your Savior too. Trust Him as your Savior and you will be His child, born into His family.

God gives His children every provision necessary to enable them to live for His glory. He gives us His Word, the Bible, to show us how to live; He gives us the Holy Spirit to live in us and guide us through life and to help us understand His Word. The Lord Jesus maintains our relationship with Him and He becomes the focus of our hearts.

This is why God created you. This is why you are here. But unless you come to God in His way you will miss the true purpose for your life!

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