# PURPOSE DRIVEN LIFE

(WHAT ON EARTH AM I HERE FOR) Rick Warren.

**REVIEW OF CHAPTERS 5-7.** 

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# AREAS COVERED SO FAR.

CHAPTERS	TOPICS
1	IT ALL STARTS WITH GOD
2	YOU ARE NOT AN ACCIDENT
3	WHAT DRIVES YOUR LIFE
4	MADE TO LAST FOREVER

# TODAY'S COVERAGE.

TOPICS	
SEEING LIFE FROM GOD'S VIEW	
LIFE IS A TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENT	
THE REASON FOR EVERYTHING	

- The way you see your life shapes your life.
- How you define life determines your destiny.
- Your perspective of life will influence how you;
  - invest your time
  - Spend your money
  - Use your talents
  - Value your relationships.
- People express their life metaphors through;

Clothes Jewelry
Cars Hairstyles
Bumper Stickers Tatoos
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• Your life metaphor influences your expectations which determines your values, priorities, relationships and goals.

METAPHOR	VALUE
Think life is a party	having fun
See life as a race	speed/being in a hurry
view life as a marathon	endurance
see life as battle/game	winning

- One could be basing life on a wrong metaphor. Rom 12:2
- Bible offers us 3 metaphors that teach us God's view of life.
  - Life on earth is a Test.
  - Life on earth is a Trust.
  - Life on earth is a Temporary Assignment.

	LIFE ON EARTH IS A TEST.	
i	Character is both developed and revealed by tests.	
ii	God constantly watches response to people, problem, success,	
	conflict,illness, disappointment, even weather	
iii	We will be tested by major changes, delayed promises, impossible	
	problems, unanswered prayers, undeserved criticisms, senseless tragedies	
iv	Atimes God deliberately draws back. Hezekiah 2 Chron 32:31	
٧	As life is a test, you realise nothing is insignificant in your life.	
νi	Let us be assured that God wans us to pass the tests of life. 1 Cor 10:13	
vii	Reward in eternity for those who pass. James 1:12	
viii	Failed Test: Adam, Eve, David	
ix	Passed Test: Abraham, Joseph, Ruth, Esther, Daniel	

	LIFE ON EARTH IS A TRUST	
i	Your time on earth, energy, intelligence, opportunities, relationships, resources	
	are gifts from God.	
ii	We are STEWARDS of whatever God gives us.	
iii	God is the owner. Ps 24:1	
iv	God made Adam and Eve trustees, they were to be in control.	
٧	Stop boastingEmiloni1 Cor 4:7b	
vi	As God owns it all, I must take care of it. 1 Cor 4:2/Matt 25:21	
vii	The more God gives us, the more responsible He expects us to be. Luke 12:48b	
viii	3 rewards when we treat everything as a Trust;	
	* God's affirmation	
	* Promotion and greater responsibility in eternity	
	* Honoured with a celebration.	

• Money is both a test and a trust from God (We need to go back to Bethel as we learnt yesterday). Luke 16:11

- QUESTION MA & SIR.
  - What has happened to you recently that you now realise was a test from God?
  - What are the greatest matters God has entrusted to you.

- Life on earth is a temporary assignment....Ps 39:4/119:19
- Do not forget these 2 Truths;
  - Compared to Eternity, life is extremely brief.
  - Earth is only a Temporary Residence.
- Don't get too attached. Ps 39:4
- You are just passing through, just visiting. You are Bro or Sis Alien, Pilgrim, Foreigner, Stranger, Visitor, Traveler. Ps 119:19/1 Peter 1:17.
- We believers are to think differently about life here from the way unbelievers do. Phil 3:19-20

- Your identity is in eternity, and your homeland is heaven.
- We need to stop worrying about having it all on earth.
- Flirting with the temptations of this world = Spiritual Adultery.

  Jam 4:4
- Ambassadors in a foreign country don't turn their back on the Country that sent them. As heaven sent, we are Christ's ambassadors. 2 Cor 5:20
- Do we mean it when we sing this song...this world is not my own...

  1 Pet 2:11

- Earth is not our final home, we were created for something much better.
- A fish will never be happy living on the land neither will an eagle feel satisfied if it wasn't allowed to fly. We can't ever feel completely satisfied here.
- Never focus on temporary crowns. 1 Pet 2:11. Join the heroes of faith, Paul, John the Baptist and others. Heb 11:13/16.
- When believers die, they won't leave home, they'll go home.

• QUESTION MA & SIR.

• How should the fact that life on earth is just a temporary assignment change the way you are living right now?

#### THE REASON FOR EVERYTHING.

- The ultimate goal of the universe is to show the Glory of God. Rom 11:36
- It's all about You Jesus, is all about You we sing.. this is the reality.
- What is the Glory of God;

	It is who God is.	The essence of His nature
	The weight of His importance	The radiance of His splendor
• Creation indeed reveals our		Creator's Clory. Ps 19:1
		The expression of all His intrinsic and external qualities

- God has revealed His Glory to people in different settings;
  - At the Garden of Eden/ to Moses/in the tabernacle and temple/through Jesus/through the Church.

## THE REASON FOR EVERYTHING.

- God's Glory best seen through Jesus;
  - As the light of the world
  - The Son as the radiance of God's Glory. Heb 1:3/2 Cor 4:6b.
  - His coming to earth. John 1:14
- We are to;
  - Recognise God's Glory Ps 96:7 NLT
  - Honour His Glory Ps 29:1 NLT
  - Declare His Glory 1 Chron 16:24
  - Praise His Glory Ps 66:2
  - Reflect His Glory 2 Cor 3:18 NLT
  - Live for His Glory 1 Cor 10:31/Matt 5:16
- Fallen Angels (Demons) and us (people) that fail to bring Glory to God.

HOW CAN I BRING GLORY TO GOD.

- 1 By Worshipping Him. Rom 6:13b
- 2 By Loving other believers. 1 John 3:14, Rom 15:7, John 13:34-35
- 3 By Becoming like Christ. 2 Cor 3:18, Phil 1:11, John 15:8
- 4 By serving others with our gifts. 1 Pet 4:10-11, 2 Cor 8:19b
- 5 By telling others about Him.
  2 Cor 4:15

- To live the rest of our lives for the Glory of God, we will require a change in; our priorities, schedule, relationships and everything else.
- All we require to please God has been given to us. 2 Pet 1:3.
- Live for God vs Live for yourself? Your decision to make.
- QUESTION MA & SIR.

• Where in your daily routine can you become more aware of God's Glory.?

# THANK YOU FOR;.

- Attending today's morning dew.
- Listening.
- Seeking to internally appraise where you stand.
- Hopefully choosing to change your priorities, schedule, relationships and everything else to give Glory to God.
- Deciding not to miss next week's session.

• Lara George's song.... Ijoba orun, lere onigbagbo o (Heaven is the believers reward)
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