

[SERMON NOTES]

Leaning Into My Purpose – Galatians 1:13-24

[QUICK REVIEW]

Looking at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time or something that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

[MY STORY]

Our culture is all about dreaming. From childhood we hear stories of “the American Dream” and that this is a country where you can be and do whatever you want if you put your mind to it. While, of course, this can be taken to the extreme, God created us to be dreamers, to have visions of what is not yet reality, to be co-creators with Him. **What is one of your biggest dreams when it comes to your life? Who do you want to be ‘when you grow up?’ What do you want to do?**

[DIGGING DEEPER]

In our final week of our *You in Five Years* series, we looked to Paul's story to learn more about what it means to find our purpose in God's purpose. (Re)read the passage from this week again:

Galatians 1:13-24

Reflect on this question: ***What would it look like for you to live your faith "on purpose?"***

Then, take a look at another passage of Paul from Ephesians and walk through it with the following steps...

Read **Ephesians 4:1-6** (in several different translations if you have time). **Rewrite the passage in your own words.**

What are some things these verses teach us about God (Father, Son, Holy Spirit)? (i.e. His plan for people, His attributes, His purposes for creation, etc.)

What are some things these verses teach us about people?

If you were to pull one thing from this passage to apply to your life to better follow Jesus as a disciple, what would it be?

[WEEKLY READINGS]

Studies say that someone who reads their Bible 4 times or more a week improves their joy, happiness, contentment, and overall approval of their life. (*1 Tim. 4:8-10,16; 2 Tim. 3:16-17*). Below are 4 passages of Scripture this week to dive into to pull deeper on our weekend's message. We encourage you to take notes in your Bible, and ask yourself: *What does this teach me about God? Myself and others? And how do I follow Jesus better?*

Galatians 1

Ephesians 4

1 Peter 4

Genesis 12