

THE PROMISE OF GOD'S PURPOSE

God's Promises While You're Waiting – Part #2

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I. God's purpose brings _____ . (v. 1)

A. The catch: You must be “_____”. (John 5:24)

- God's purpose is that I would _____. (Philippians 3:10)

“This is the way to have eternal life. By knowing the only true God and Jesus Christ the one he sent.” John 17:3

B. Hope is an _____ thing. (Romans 14:12; 15:13)

II. God's purpose brings _____ . (v. 2-17)

A. The catch: This only comes “_____”.

- God's purpose is that I would _____. (I Peter 3:18)

B. You can be _____ today. (Galatians 5:1, 13, 16; 6:7)

III. God's purpose brings _____ . (v. 18-28)

A. The catch: You will still _____. (John 15:18-20; I Peter 2:21)

- God's purpose is that I would _____. (Galatians 2:20; I Thessalonians 4:1)

B. Relief comes when we _____ with God and others. (Acts 2:44, 46; Ephesians 4:25; Hebrews 10:25)

C. The Bible _____ :

1. All things are good.
2. All things work out the way I want them to.
3. All things have a happy ending.

D. The Bible _____ :

1. “*We know*” – Not hope, guess, wish, imagine or think. (Job 36:5; Psalm 33:11; Isaiah 14:24; 46:10-11)
2. “*God works*” – Life is not the result of fate, chance or luck. (Acts 13:36; Philippians 2:13)
3. “*All things*” – All means all and that's all means. (Job 42:2; Isaiah 55:11)
4. “*For the good*” – God fits it all together.

IV. God's purpose brings _____ . (v. 29-31)

A. The catch: God's promises are not _____.

- God's purpose is that I would _____.

“He has saved us and called us to a holy life—not because of anything we have done but because of his own purpose and grace.” II Timothy 1:9

B. God is not only with me; God is _____ me.

ACTION POINTS: 1.) _____ have you responded to the call of God?

2.) God has a plan and purpose for your life so you can _____.

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II. God's purpose brings freedom. (v. 2-17)

A. The catch: This only comes “through Christ Jesus”.

- God's purpose is that I would grow in God. (I Peter 3:18)

B. You can be free today. (Galatians 5:1, 13, 16; 6:7)

III. God's purpose brings relief. (v. 18-28)

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