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You are not called to a
role, job, position or title.

You are called to a
PURPOSE
that may include
all of the above.



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**Your role changes
but your purpose
doesn't
so **fight** for your
purpose
not your role.**



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As we have discovered over the last several weeks God has an eternal purpose and plan for our lives:

- You Were Planned for God's Pleasure
- You Were Planned for God's Family
- You Were Created to Become Like Christ
- You Were Shaped to Serve God
- You Were Made for a Mission



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*“The best use of life is to
spend it for something that
outlasts it.”*



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Jesus said, “Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. ²⁰ Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”

Matthew 28:19-20



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What is God's fifth purpose for your life?

FULFILLING YOUR MISSION IN THE WORLD.

- 2 Timothy 4:5

“Work at bringing others to Christ...”

- Acts 20:24

“But my life is worth nothing to me unless I use it for finishing the work assigned me by the Lord Jesus—the work of telling others the Good News about the wonderful grace of God”.



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God wants you to have both a *ministry* in the Body of Christ and a *mission* in the world.

Your *ministry* is your service to believers, and your *mission* is your service to those not yet followers of Jesus.

The *mission* Jesus had while on this earth is now our mission because we are the body of Christ.



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WHAT IS THAT MISSION?

INTRODUCING PEOPLE TO GOD

A concept Jesus introduced
was that of His message,
His word as a seed.



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SOWING SEEDS

Kerry & handout



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God, we hold these seeds in our hand.
We see smallness, weakness, insignificance.
You see potential, growth, significance.
Tiny seeds grow by your power into huge trees.
They provide food for the hungry and homes for
the birds.
From the darkness of the earth springs forth your
life, your harvest.



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Your Kingdom is like a tiny seed.

When we look at your church, and our own lives,
we see smallness, weakness, insignificance.

You see potential, growth, significance.

Give us eyes of faith and willing hands to see
your Kingdom grow in us.



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May we feed the hungry with food and the
bread of life,
welcome the homeless into your family,
and gather the harvest you love has provided.
In Christ's name and the power of the Spirit
we commit our lives to you again.

Amen.



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How do we do this?

How do we share
those seeds?



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TYPES OF EVANGELISM IN THE NT

1. DIRECT STYLE – bible example: Peter Acts 2
2. INTELLECTUAL STYLE – bible example: Paul Acts 17
3. TESTIMONIAL STYLE – bible example: blind man John 9
4. RELATIONAL STYLE – bible example: Matthew Luke 5:29
5. INVITATIONAL STYLE – bible example: Philip, woman at the well - John 1, 4
6. SERVING STYLE – bible example: Dorcas- Acts 9:36



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MIDWEEK GROUPS INFO

God has given you a life message to share. What four things are included in your Life Message?

- 1) Your testimony: the story of how you began a relationship with Jesus
- 2) Your life lessons: the most important lessons God has taught you
- 3) Your godly passions: the issues God shaped you to care about most
- 4) The Good News: the message of salvation



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Getting Ready to Tell Your Story – HANDOUT

How Would You Tell Your Story?

You should be able to read the paragraphs in 4-5 minutes in total.

Tips On Writing Your Story

- * Make it personal to you it's your story
- * Identify a theme that carries through all three paragraphs
- * Use ordinary language - ask yourself if a non-Christian would understand what you're saying?
- * Don't try to be sensational. It's not only dishonest, but you will fail to relate to ordinary people

Telling Your Story



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CONCLUSION: NEXT STEPS

**1. WRITE OUT YOUR PERSONAL TESTIMONY
AND THEN MEMORISE THE MAIN POINTS.**

2. MAKE A LIST OF YOUR LIFE LESSONS.

*You haven't really thought about them unless you
have written them down.*

3. SHIFT YOUR THINKING:



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3. SHIFT YOUR THINKING:

To fulfil your mission, your perspective and attitudes must change. What mental shifts do you need to make?

- 1) Shift from self-centered thinking to other-centered thinking.
- 2) Shift from local thinking to global thinking.
- 3) Shift from “here and now” thinking to eternal thinking.
- 4) Shift from thinking of excuses to thinking of creative ways to fulfil your commission.



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The Great Commission



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