

## **"You Are Unique"**

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Nothing is more majestic, complex and beautiful than the body and spirit. It was the Alpha and Omega, who 'was from' and 'is to' everlasting, who decided to create you from the dust of the earth. The Triune God, consisting of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, blessed you with an eternal spirit and soul that will forever endure, providing comfort and reassurance. The body of flesh was made and tempered for dwelling here on the earth, without corruption and decay.

One of the mysteries of life being the purpose of the unknown, scientists, doctors, genealogists, and archeologists spend their lives on what, how, and why things exist and their purpose in this vast world. Yet, many people live life just as survivors, rather than knowing and living life for their purpose. It is not just crucial, but it is the key to thriving, to live with a clear sense of purpose, not just to survive but to thrive. Let this thought motivate and inspire you.

Sometimes, as the saying goes, we may spend our lives in fruitless pursuits, along with others trying to find themselves. Sadly, some of those pursuits lead to bad habits and counterproductive behaviors. A few of my contemporaries never seemed to have discovered their true purpose and remained chasing their tails like dogs... going in circles.

If you were asked, "Why are you here, and what is your purpose?" would you be able to answer that question without hesitation or say, "I'm still trying to figure it out!" I believe that question is not tricky to respond to when you search deep inside the human spirit. When it is revealed, some people refuse to make the change because of the required discipline.

I have discovered that I'm here for more than selfishly pursuing wealth, fame, and fortune and living on the edge, which has never satisfied the soul. This discovery led me to God, where my most profound need to be loved, accepted, and forgiven was fulfilled. Now, I live purposefully to reflect who God is, by His love, forgiveness, and grace that I can bestow upon others.

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