# Weekly Devotional Series

## Week 5: Living with Purpose

### Scripture:

"For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."

### Reflection:

The question of purpose is a fundamental human longing. We instinctively seek meaning and significance in our lives. This scripture offers a profound answer: we are not accidental beings, but "God's handiwork" – meticulously crafted and intentionally designed. Even more, we are created \*for\* a purpose: to do "good works" that God Himself has prepared for us.

Living with purpose means recognizing that our lives have divine intention behind them. It's about aligning our actions, talents, and passions with God's will, not just for our own benefit, but for the good of others and the glory of God. This doesn't necessarily mean a grand, public calling; purpose can be found in the everyday acts of kindness, integrity in our work, loving our families, and serving our communities. When we embrace this truth, our lives gain direction, fulfillment, and a deep sense of significance that transcends fleeting circumstances.

### Application/Challenge:

This week, reflect on areas in your life where you feel a sense of calling or where your unique gifts can be used to bless others. Consider one small "good work" that God might be prompting you to do this week, whether it's an act of service, a word of encouragement, or a commitment to excellence in your daily tasks. Ask God to reveal His specific purposes for you and to empower you to walk in them.

### Prayer:

Creator God, Thank you for creating us with purpose and for preparing good works for us to do. Open our eyes and hearts to understand your divine intention for our lives. Guide us by your Spirit to walk in the path you have set before us, using our gifts to serve you and bless others. May our lives reflect your glory and fulfill the purpose for which we were made. Amen.

We hope this devotional brings you comfort and inspiration. Join us next week for another reflection.

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