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# LifeNotes

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## God, Why Am I Here?

*Discovering God's Purpose For Your Life: Week Two - Faith Into Action*

### **Getting Started...**

Last week, we were asked to practice breath prayers each day. Did you do that? Has anything changed for you this past week?

### **Getting to Know One Another...**

A new neighbor moves in next door. How do you welcome them to the neighborhood?

What is one thing that stood out to you from Sunday's sermon, and why?

Mark said that when God is satisfied that our preparation is complete, He can move us on to the task He has for us to fulfill his overall purpose. Have you experienced God moving you on to the task He has for you? Explain.

Mark also said that many times when God asks us to do something, it makes absolutely no sense from a worldly view. Has God ever asked you to do something that is counterintuitive? What was it?

### **More....**

Read 1 Corinthians 1:18-20

Paul says that we don't even need to try and figure things out with human wisdom. Think about some of the toughest things you've walked through, and look back and see God's hand in it. Would you have stepped out if you knew everything ahead of time about what was going to happen?

Why or why not?

What kinds of questions/thoughts go through your mind when God asks you to do something that is outside your comfort zone and perhaps just plain scary?

Tell about a time that happened to you.

Read 1 Kings 18:36-37

Do you feel like God is obligated to answer our prayers in order to vindicate His own name?

How can we be confident of the power of God?

Read Colossians 1:27

Do you agree or disagree: preaching to people is more effective than what people see in our lives, actions, and words.

What do you think God is preparing you for?

### **Taking It Home...**

How are you being called to put your faith into action? This week, find a new place to volunteer in the community: a shelter, a soup kitchen, a local school, in your neighborhood...or a place where you've not served in the church before: the nursery, the children's department, the Sunday breakfast, substituting as a Bible study leader (just suggestions).

### **Daily Readings**

Day 1		Exodus 9:16
Day 2		Proverbs 19:21
Day 3		Proverbs 20:5
Day 4		2 Timothy 1:9
Day 5		Romans 12:2
Day 6		2 Corinthians 12:9-10
Day 7		Mark 12:30-31

