

**Pursuing God in 2009**  
**Consecration 2009**  
**Pursuing the Purpose of God**  
**Romans 8.26-30, 1 Samuel 30**

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REVIEW:

1. Pursue God's heart before pursuing our issues
2. When we do we receive accurate information/direction
3. We receive strength for the journey.
4. We win!

The question of the purpose of God for our lives is both encouraging and problematic. Encouraging to know that God has a plan and purpose for "little old me" but problematic when it feels as if this great purpose "evades little old me"!

So for many of you we have to get you to the place where you accept that God has a purpose for you and for the rest we have to get you to believe that it's not a needle in a haystack. **{Take the vote}**

1. For everything there is a purpose under heaven. [Eccles. 3.1](#)  
Are you under heaven?

2. All things work together to reveal purpose [Romans 8.28](#)  
Do you love God?

On Wednesday I began to pray concerning purpose and is the habit of the Lord He began to explain things as I prayed. I understood that there are three facets of the purpose of God and they are all connected. Upon review of the 1 Samuel passage I saw each facet at work in the life of David.

1. Our purpose in relationship with Him.
2. Our purpose in relationship to those we are called to influence.
3. Our purpose in relationship with the church/ministry.

David sight the heart of God, fulfilling the first tier of purpose first. This enabled him to do his job and be successful at it. This was his daily opportunity to influence others. From success there he was able to bring back spoils and fulfill ministry to those of the kingdom of God.

## **Pursuing the Purpose of God**

### **Romans 8.26-30, 1 Samuel 30**

1. God's primary purpose is that we relate properly to Him!

- Seeking the heart of God is the starting point of purpose!
- Jesus didn't die so we could do things for God, He died so we could be friends with God! [Hebrews 10.19,20](#)

[John 12:27](#) Father, save Me from this hour'? But for this purpose I came to this hour. NKJV

- David was walking in purpose when he sought the heart of God!

When we fail to seek God's heart on the front end, we battle in frustration to walk in His purpose on the back end!

2. God's second tier of purpose is our daily influence.

The real driving issue behind what you do for a living is doing what you're gifted/prepared to do and doing what will get you connected to the people God wants you to reach!

- David just did what he was already doing - the purpose of God!
- David's focus was not on what to do but how to do it!

Your focus now should be on being your best at what you're doing not trying to find the next thing you're called to do!

- David's ability to operate with excellence resulted in spoils to bring back into the kingdom!

Your tithes are part of your purpose in the kingdom. Time, talent and treasure all constitute your purpose in God's house.

3. God's third tier of purpose is your ministry!

- Until you have committed to the first two tiers, the second one will be shallow at best!

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David would have had no spoils if he hadn't gone after God's heart first and then did his job and defeated the Amalekites!

- Your purpose in the church is worshipping, giving and serving!
- When you haven't been faithful in what you know how can you expect direction on what you don't?

*Luke 16:10-12*

*10 " He who is faithful in a very little thing is faithful also in much; and he who is unrighteous in a very little thing is unrighteous also in much. 11 "Therefore if you have not been faithful in the use of unrighteous wealth, who will entrust the true riches to you? NASU*