



CHRIST CHURCH sermon notes

What Am I Doing Here?
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An Unclear Purpose and a Lack of Vision Produces...

• Aimlessness	• Boredom
• Disillusionment	• Indecision

Vision and Purpose in Life Produces Great Benefits

- The key to happiness is _____ your purpose
- The key to inner peace is _____ on your purpose
- The key to success is _____ your purpose

“...your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven...” Matthew 6:10 (NIV)

- “Your kingdom come” – God’s purpose for the world
- “Your will be done” – God’s purpose for your life

[God’s purpose], which God will complete when the time is right, is to bring all creation together...with Christ as head. Ephesians 1:10 (GNT)

GOD’S VISION AND PURPOSE FOR YOUR LIFE

1. God made me to _____.

Even before the world was made...God had already decided that through Jesus Christ he would make us his children—this was his pleasure and purpose. Ephesians 1:4–5 (GNT)

2. God made me to _____.

And we know that all that happens to us is working for our good if we love God and are fitting into his plans. For from the very beginning God decided that those who came to him...should become like his Son... Romans 8:28–29 (TLB)

3. God made me to _____.

Now when David had served God's purpose in his own generation, he fell asleep... Acts 13:36 (NIV)

...Offer yourselves as a living sacrifice to God, dedicated to his service... Then you will be able to know the will of God—what is good and is pleasing to him and is perfect. Romans 12:1–2 (GNT)

...Always work enthusiastically for the Lord, for you know that nothing you do for the Lord is ever useless. 1 Corinthians 15:58 (NLT)

The 1993 Vision of Christ Church

It is a vision of a place where everyone is welcomed in an atmosphere of love and acceptance, a place where forgiveness abounds and encouragement thrives.

It is a vision of a place where the Good News of Jesus Christ can be shared with the residents of our community and Northern Virginia.

It is a vision of a place where thousands of people are welcomed into the life, ministry and mission of the church. The church will be a family that laughs and cries together and lives in harmony with one another.

It is the vision of a place where every believer will be nurtured and disciplined to spiritual maturity through Bible Study, retreats, seminars and small groups.

It is a vision of a place where every believer will be equipped to use the talents God has given him/her for significant ministry at home, work or play.

It is a vision of a place that will support or send at least one missionary to every continent around the world, and a place that will send thousands of our members, adult and youth as short-term missionaries both in the United States and around the world. A place from where we will start another church somewhere in Northern Virginia.

It is a place on enough land to be a regional church. A church with attractive, efficient facilities for worship, Christian education, a Christian school, youth center, counseling center and elder care.

Although this vision is beyond our ability and resources, it is well within the ability of the One who has revealed it to us.

Responding to God's Call to be Difference Makers

Christ Church Ministry Initiatives for 2017–2018

We will embrace those with disabilities by developing a full-scale ministry that reaches at least 50 families in our community who have children with special needs. Investment over two years: \$132,000

We will reach young adults by developing a ministry that helps over 100 people develop their faith and live it out in the world. Investment over two years: \$85,000

We will provide life-changing experiences for children and youth in our community by creating a Christ-centered summer camp experience for over 2,000 and developing an enriching after-school program for over 50 students. Investment over two years: \$100,000

We will teach our kids and equip our students by building a ministry for over 200 children and youth in our community. Investment over two years: \$630,000

We will serve internationally by providing the funds necessary to complete the construction of our school for nearly 300 children in Sakwa, Kenya. Investment over two years: \$62,000

We will engage people globally, 24/7 by establishing an online campus that regularly welcomes over 200 persons into a worldwide community of faith. Investment over two years: \$38,000

Two-Year Total of \$1,047,000, or \$523,500 Per Year
(\$25 per week X 400 people)