

You cannot arrive at your life's purpose by starting with a focus on yourself. You must begin with God, your Creator. You exist only because

God wills that you exist. You were made by God and for God - and until you understand that, life will never make sense. It is only in God that we discover our origin, our identity, our meaning, our purpose, our significance, and our destiny.

- Rick Warren







Formed

*In His*

Likeness

*Genesis 1:26-31*



## Genesis 1:26-31 (NIV)

26 Then God said, "Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals,[a] and over all the creatures that move along the ground."

27 So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.

28 God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground."



29 Then God said, "I give you every seed-bearing plant on the face of the whole earth and every tree that has fruit with seed in it. They will be yours for food. 30 And to all the beasts of the earth and all the birds in the sky and all the creatures that move along the ground—everything that has the breath of life in it—I give every green plant for food." And it was so.

31 God saw all that he had made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning—the sixth day.



# **1) FORMED TO BEAR HIS IMAGE -**

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**27 So God created mankind in his  
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You are who you are for a reason.  
You're part of an intricate plan.  
You're a precious and perfect unit design,  
Called God's special woman and man.

You look like you look for a reason.  
Our God made no mistake.  
He knit you together within the womb,  
You're just what he wanted to make.

The parents you had were the ones he chose,  
And no matter how you may feel,  
They were custom-designed with God's plan  
in mind,  
And they bear the Master's seal.





No, that trauma you faced was not easy.  
And God wept that it hurt you so;  
But it was allowed to shape your heart  
So that into his likeness you'd grow.

You are who you are for a reason,  
You've been formed by the Master's rod.  
You are who you are, beloved,  
Because there is a God!





## **2) FORMED TO BRING HIM WORSHIP -**

**"God created man in His image, to live in His presence and worship Him. God then sent man out into the world to increase, multiply and fill the earth with men and women who would worship God in the beauty of holiness." - A. W. Tozer**





I am accepted...

John 1:12 I am God's Child

John 15:15 I am Christ's friend

Romans 5:1 I have been justified

1 Corinthians 6:17 I am united with the Lord, and I am one spirit with Him

1 Corinthians 6:19-20 I have been bought with a price, I belong to God

1 Corinthians 12:27 I am a member of Christ's body

Ephesians 1:1 I am a saint

Ephesians 1:5 I have been adopted as God's child

Ephesians 2:18 I have direct access to God through the Holy Spirit

Colossians 1:14 I have been redeemed and forgiven of all my sins

Colossians 2:10 I am complete in Christ

I am secure...



Romans 8:1-2 I am free forever from condemnation

Romans 8:28 I am assured that all things work together for good

Romans 8:31-34 I am free from any condemning charges against me

Romans 8:35-39 I cannot be separated from the love of God

2 Corinthians 1:21-22 I have been established, anointed, and sealed by God

Colossians 3:3 I am hidden with Christ in God

Philippians 1:6 I am confident that the good work God has begun in me will be perfected

Philippians 3:20 I am a citizen of heaven

2 Timothy 1:7 I have not been given a spirit of fear, but of power, love, and a sound mind

Hebrews 4:16 I can find grace and mercy in time of need



1 John 5:18 I am born of God, and the evil one cannot touch me  
I am significant...

Matthew 5:13-14 I am the salt and light of the earth

John 15:15 I am a branch of the true vine, an extension of His life

John 15:16 I have been chosen and appointed to bear fruit

Acts 1:8 I am a personal witness of Christ's

1 Corinthians 3:16 I am God's temple

2 Corinthians 5:17-21 I am a minister of reconciliation for God

2 Corinthians 6:1 I am God's co-worker ( 1 Corinthians 3:9 )

Ephesians 2:6 I am seated with Christ in the heavenly realm

Ephesians 2:10 I am God's workmanship

Ephesians 3:12 I may approach God with freedom and confidence

Philippians 4:13 I can do all things through Christ who

strengthens me