

JESUS: "THE AUTHOR OF YOUR PURPOSE"

*The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me, Because He has anointed me to **preach the gospel** to the poor; He has sent me to **heal the brokenhearted**, To proclaim **liberty to the captives** And recovery of **sight to the blind**, To set at liberty those who are oppressed; (Luke 4:18 NKJV)*

INTRODUCTION: *Today we will be talking about the most important character of all those we have been studying during this campaign, and He is.... The Lord Jesus! He is the origin and creator of your purpose and mine. He was a great leader in the world, to the point that to this day we live with the effects of his influence.*

ILLUSTRATION: *In **Mark 11:2** We see the story of when Jesus told his disciples to bring him a donkey, and he entered the city riding on it. Our Lord Jesus wanted in some symbolic way to give us the example of humbleness using a donkey even though He had all authority. He knew what his purpose was by coming here on earth. The greatest leader of all time appeared in a donkey.*

WHO IS JESUS?

- Theologically **He is the son of God.**
- **God himself. (Philippians. 2:6)** Jesus was 100% man but also 100% God.
- *The only leader who resurrected. No other leader has risen because only Jesus is God. Leaders like Buddha and Mahatma Gandhi are in their grave, but Jesus rose again. He is the second person of the trinity, God manifested in God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.*

1. JESUS IS THE GIVER OF OUR PURPOSE. (Coloss. 1:16)

- **Jesus came to remind us that we were born with a purpose.** We had strayed from God's purpose because of sin. The enemy destroyed

families, destroyed the original intention for which we were born, but God made us with a purpose and made us in His image and likeness.

- **Jesus came to bring good news of salvation.** The world is full of bad news, but it is good that in this CG, in church on Sundays and in various congregations around the world good news is given in the name of Jesus. He came to bring the good news that instead of going to hell, we are going to go to heaven because we have Christ in our hearts, not because of good works, but because of his grace and love.
- **Jesus came to heal those who are broken hearted.** How many people are in need of healing? Many of us come to church with an aching heart from betrayals, disappointments, discrimination, abuse, injustices, so many things that we have received by those closest to us. *For example: Children abandoned or physically, verbally, or sexually abused by the father, or a relative; that damages, breaks and destroys the heart, etc.*
- **He came to give freedom to the captives.** There are people who are captive, they are not necessarily in a prison, but they are addicted. Filled with self-destructive and negative thoughts that don't let them go. In reality dead in life, for they are no longer living, they are simply existing. We hope this series is helping you discover your purpose in

Christ and that you can achieve your destiny.

- **Jesus came to give sight to the blind.** There are people who have stopped dreaming, stopped having a vision and no longer believe that their marriage can be restored. They do not believe that their rebellious children can change or that they can graduate from university because they are disappointed. Maybe you went through a business failure and went bankrupt and could no longer have a vision. The failure blinded you and now you think you can no longer succeed again. Jesus came to give sight to these kinds of blind people, but also physically blind people. God has done great miracles of healing in our church and in the CG's.
- **Came to give freedom to the oppressed.** Mentally, emotionally, and physically oppressed. For example: In the Bible we see a woman who had been sick for years and spent all her money on doctors, and Jesus healed her and said, "You have been freed from your suffering." She was oppressed by the devil and therefore was sick. (Not all diseases are caused by the devil). This is what Jesus came for! To undo the works of the enemy. Those testimonies are things that He continues to do: Healings of the soul and the body, because Jesus is the same as yesterday, today, and forever.
- **Jesus also came to restore purpose and destiny in all of us.** The Lord Jesus called several people to make them fishers of men giving them a purpose: He called Peter, and He also called government workers, tax collectors like Matthew, etc. He came to restore that purpose for us. Jesus is the giver of purpose, the

author of your purpose. You were not born by accident!

- **He came to restore the image of God in people, because it had been lost. (John 10:10)** We lost identity in God through sin, that destroyed everything (**Rom. 3:23**). The enemy steals joy in homes, in marriages, in children, confuses the world. There is chaos, there are wars, there is a lack of peace in many places, there are frauds in business, and it is difficult to find people with integrity. The economy is down, health was affected and has fallen because of sin. That's why there are so many sick people, the churches and the nation are affected by sin, the world has fallen. The good news is that Jesus came to restore those things, to restore the image of God in us, and He wants us to rebuild God's purpose in our lives, and to help others build their purpose.

CONCLUSION: (Matthew. 9:35-36) *Just like in those times, there are also many people confused nowadays. They work and work overtime trying to achieve success as defined by the world and when they reach the top, they are all sick; they spend their lives to earn money, and then they spend money recovering their lives. That is why Jesus feels compassion for those who have lost their purpose and He wants us to know our purpose, fulfill it and go build other purposes.*

SALVATION PRAYER: *Lord Jesus I recognize that I have sinned and that you died for me. Today I repent and ask for forgiveness. I give you my life and my heart so that you may be my Lord and personal Savior, amen.*
