Purpose: Why Am I Here? Isaiah 43:7 Pastor Larry Starkey November 27, 2022

SIGNIFICANCE

The purpose of our lives is to glorify God.

According to both the Old and New Testaments, the purpose of our lives is to glorify God.

Old Testament: "Everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made." (Isaiah 43:7)

New Testament: "Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God." (1 Corinthians 10:31) To "glorify God" means to recognize and honor God's greatness by living your life for Him.

- 3 Reasons Why We Should Glorify God (Psalm 86):
 - 1. The Greatness of God's Love:

"I will glorify your name forever...Great is your steadfast love for me." (Psalm 86:12-13a)

2. The Greatness of God's Salvation:

"I will glorify your name forever...You have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol." (Psalm 86:12-13b)

3. The Greatness of God's Attributes:

"I will glorify your name forever... You are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness." (Psalm 86:12, 15)

4 Ways to Glorify God in Your Daily Life

1. Receive Christ.

"All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am **glorified** in them." (John 17:10)
"[Jesus] is the radiance of the **glory** of God and the exact imprint of his nature." (Hebrews 1:3)

2. Give thanks to God.

"The one who offers thanksgiving as his sacrifice **glorifies** me." (Psalm 50:23)

3. Pray God-glorifying prayers.

"Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be **glorified** in the Son." (John 14:13)

Let your light shine—especially among nonbelievers.

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and **glorify** your Father which is in heaven." (Matthew 5:16)

"Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and **glorify** God on the day of visitation." (1 Peter 2:12)