ENJOYING THE LIFE YOU WERE MEANT TO LIVE

- **Ecclesiastes 11:8** "People ought to enjoy every day of their lives no matter how long they live."
- **Colossians 1:16 (Mes)** "Everything, absolutely everything, above and below, visible and invisible everything got started in Him and <u>finds its purpose in Him</u>."

UNDERSTAND GOD'S PURPOSES IN CREATING YOU

1. To enjoy

- **Isaiah 44:2a** (CEV) "I am your Creator. You were in My care even before you were born..."
- **Ephesians 1:5 (LB)** "God's unchanging plan has always been to adopt us into His own family by sending Jesus Christ to die for us. And He did this because He wanted to!"
- **Ephesians 1:10 (LB)** "This was His purpose: that when the time is ripe He will gather us all together from wherever we are... to be with Him in Christ forever."

2.	To experience	

- That means you weren't meant to go through life all on your own. You were made for relationships.
- 2 Corinthians 5:18 (Mes) "God settled the relationship between us and Him, and then called us to settle our relationships with each other."
- Genesis 2:18 (NIV) God said, "It is not good for man to be alone."
- **Galatians 5:14 (LB)** "God's whole law can be summed up in this one command: <u>Love others</u> as you love yourself."

3.	To develop	

- **Romans 8:29a** (**LB**) "From the very beginning God decided that those who came to Him ...should become like His Son ..."
- **Romans 8:29b (Mes)** "... He decided from the outset to shape the lives of those who love Him along the same lines as the life of His Son... We see the original and <u>intended shape of our</u> lives there in Him."

4.	To express	

- **Romans 12:6 (NLT)** "God has given each of us the ability to do certain things well."
- **Ephesians 2:10 (NCV)** "...God made us to do good works, which He planned in advance for us to live our lives doing."

5. To fulfill ______.

- **John 17:18 (Mes)** Jesus: "In the same way that You gave Me a mission in the world, I give them a mission in the world."
- Acts 20:24 (LB) "Life is worth nothing unless I use it for doing the work assigned me by the Lord Jesus..."