



13 REASONS YOUR LIFE MATTERS

1. GOD CREATED YOU IN HIS IMAGE

- **Genesis 1:26-27** ²⁶ Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. ²⁷ So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them."

2. GOD VALUES YOU

- **Luke 12:6-7** ⁶ Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? And not one of them is forgotten before God. ⁷ Why, even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not; you are of more value than many sparrows."
- **Psalms 8:3-5** ³ When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, ⁴ what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him? ⁵ Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor."
- **Psalms 139:17** ¹⁷ How precious are your thoughts about me, O God. They cannot be numbered!" (NLT)

3. GOD LOVES YOU AND CAME DOWN TO BE WITH YOU

- **John 1:1-3, 14** "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was in the beginning with God. ³ All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made... ¹⁴ And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth."
- **John 3:16** ¹⁶ For God so loved the world that he sent his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.
- **Philippians 2:6-11** ⁶ Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; ⁷ rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. ⁸ And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross! ⁹ Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

4. GOD LOVES YOU AT YOUR WORST

- **Romans 5:6-8** ⁶ You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. ⁸ But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us"
- **1 John 4:10** ¹⁰ This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins

5. GOD RESCUED YOU THROUGH JESUS' DEATH

- **Ephesians 2:4-9** ⁴ But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, ⁵ made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. ⁶ And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, ⁷ in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. ⁸ For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— ⁹ not by works, so that no one can boast."
- **Romans 3:25-26** ²⁵ For God presented Jesus as the sacrifice for sin. People are made right with God when they believe that Jesus sacrificed his life, shedding his blood. This sacrifice shows that God was being fair when he held back and did not punish those who sinned in times past, ²⁶ for he was looking ahead and including them in what he would do in this present time. God did this to demonstrate his righteousness, for he himself is fair and just, and he makes sinners right in his sight when they believe in Jesus." (NLT)

6. GOD CALLS YOU HIS SON OR DAUGHTER

- **2 Corinthians 6:18** ¹⁸ And, "I will be a Father to you, and you will be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty."
- **Galatians 4:7** ⁷ So you are no longer a slave, but God's child; and since you are his child, God has made you also an heir."
- **1 John 3:1a** ^{1a} See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!"

7. GOD CALLS YOU HIS MASTERPIECE

- **Ephesians 2:10** ¹⁰ For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."
- **Psalms 139:13-14** ¹³ You made all the delicate, inner parts of my body and knit me together in my mother's womb. ¹⁴ Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex! Your workmanship is marvelous—how well I know it." (NLT)

8. GOD PROMISES TO NEVER LEAVE YOU ALONE AND LEAVES YOU HIS SPIRIT

- **Deuteronomy 31:8** ⁸ The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged."
- **Matthew 28:20b** ^{20b} ... And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."



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- **Romans 8: 11, 26, 39** ¹¹ *And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you. ...* ²⁶ *In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. ...* ³⁹ *neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

9. GOD PUTS PEOPLE IN YOUR LIFE TO LOVE YOU (Your Small Group)

- **John 13:34-35** ³⁴ *"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. ..."* ³⁵ *By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."*
- **Hebrews 12:1** ¹ *Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us."*

10. GOD USES THE CHURCH TO MINISTER TO YOU

- **1 Corinthians 12:25 & 27** ²⁵ *so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. & ...* ²⁷ *Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it."*
- **Ephesians 4:11-13** ¹¹ *So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, ...* ¹² *to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up ...* ¹³ *until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ."*

11. GOD WANTS TO USE YOU TO MINISTER TO OTHERS

- **1 John 4:11-12** ¹¹ *Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. ...* ¹² *No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us."*
- **1 Peter 4:10** ¹⁰ *God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another."* (NLT)

12. GOD DESIGNED YOU FOR LIFE

- **Job 33:4** ⁴ *The Spirit of God has made me; the breath of the Almighty gives me life."*
- **Job 10:12** ¹² *You have granted me life and lovingkindness; And Your care has preserved my spirit."*
- **Nehemiah 9:6** ⁶ *You alone are the LORD You have made the heavens, The heaven of heavens with all their host, The earth and all that is on it, The seas and all that is in them You give life to all of them And the heavenly host bows down before You."*
- **Psalms 16:11** ¹¹ *You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore."*

13. GOD DESIGNED YOU FOR ETERNITY

- **1 John 5:13** ¹³ *I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life."*
- **Romans 6:23** ²³ *For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."*
- **Psalms 93:1-2** ¹ *The Lord reigns, he is robed in majesty; the Lord is robed in majesty and armed with strength; indeed, the world is established, firm and secure. ...* ² *Your throne was established long ago; you are from all eternity."*
- **Ecclesiastes 3:11** ¹¹ *He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart; yet no one can fathom what God has done from beginning to end."*