I. Introduction.

A. Every human being is driven by something.

B. God has a purpose for everyone.

C. Most people live in survival mode. Some live in the successful but unfulfilled mode.

D. We really need significance not success.

E. We need to discover our mission. (Acts 13:36)

II. Why we need a plan.

A. It will reduce frustration. Peace comes from knowing one’s purpose in life. (James 1:6-7, Isaiah 49)

B. It will increase motivation. (Jeremiah 29:11)

1. Many of us are in an occupation for the wrong reasons.

2. God can do great things with our life. (Ephesians 3:20)

C. It will allow more concentration. Knowing your life purpose gives your life focus. (Philippians 3:14)

1. Your life is filled with good things.

2. One can burn out from too many good things.

3. One can be efficient without being effective. (Ephesians 5:16-17)

D. It will attract cooperation. The greatest way to help other people is to be what God made you to be.

E. It will prepare one for God’s evaluation.

1. God made you for a purpose.

2. God has invested certain gifts, talents and abilities.

3. God expects a return on His investments.

4. One day God will do an audit of your life. (Romans 14)

   a. God will ask what a person did with His Son Jesus Christ.
b. God will ask what a person did with his or her life.

III. What we do.

   A. Believe that God has a purpose for your life. (Proverbs 16:4)
   B. Receive God’s Son who died for you. (Ephesians 1:4-5)

Application questions:

1. What does it feel like to be without purpose in your life?

2. Why is it important to have a life plan?

3. Why is including God in one’s life plan critical to being fulfilled?