

God's Eternal Purpose

EPHESIANS 3:8-12

8. *Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ;*
9. *And to make all men see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the world hath been hid in God, who created all things by Jesus Christ:*
10. *To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God,*
11. *According to the **eternal purpose** which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord:*
12. *In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him.*

SPEAK TO THIS MOUNTAIN [57-1215]

...if you could only see the simplicity of **God's eternal purpose**, and of the sovereignty of His grace.

ROMANS 8:28

28. *And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the **called according to his purpose**.*

ROMANS 9:11

11. *(For the children being not yet born, neither having done any good or evil, **that the purpose of God according to election might stand**, not of works, but of him that calleth;)*

WHO IS THIS MELCHISEDEC? [65-0221E]

Now we see here plainly the complete secret of our lives in journey, and death, and where we go after we die. Also, predestination is in plain view here. Now listen as we teach this, closely.

The stages of--of **the Eternal purpose** He had in His secret has now been revealed.

CHRIST IS THE MYSTERY OF GOD REVEALED [63-0728]

Notice, God has had a threefold purpose in this great mystery secret. God, in His great mystery secret that He had before the world began, He has got a threefold purpose in it. And now what we want to go upon, this morning, is, what is that threefold purpose?

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Now, if He had this threefold purpose, we want to find out what is this threefold purpose. **The first thing was, that, God wanted to reveal Himself to the people.**

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Secondly, to have the preeminence in His Body of believers, that is, His Bride, that He might live in people.

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First, to express Himself completely, God in Christ.

Second, to have the preeminences, by this, in His Church, which is His Body, the Bride, till He could have the preeminence to express Himself through them. All right.

And, thirdly, to restore the Kingdom to its rightly position, that fell by sin by the first Adam, back to where He walked in the cool of the evening, with His people, talked with them, fellowshiped with them.

II TIMOTHY 1:9

9. *Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but **according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began,***

CHURCH AGE BOOK

You can't read it any other way. The heart purpose, **the eternal purpose of God was to take a bride of His OWN choosing,** and that purpose was in Himself, and being eternal was decreed before the foundation of the world.

THE LAW HAVING A SHADOW [54-1203]

Nothing can separate us from God's eternal purpose.

CHURCH AGE BOOK

Until He stops calling, the Pentecostal message and power will NOT CEASE. **What the church had at Pentecost is her inalienable right.** Originally, she had the pure Word of God. She had the power of the Spirit manifested in divers signs and wonders and gifts of the Holy Ghost.

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"Unable to be taken away from or given away by the possessor." ~ google.com

HEBREWS 11:39-40

39. *And these all, having obtained a good report through faith, received not the promise:*

40. *God having provided some better thing for us, that **they without us should not be made perfect.***

LEAN NOT UNTO THY OWN UNDERSTANDING [65-0120]

So, you see, if you were in the foreknowledge of God, then **you are becoming a part of God**. And the only way you can be a son of God or a daughter of God, you had to be a part of God, and **God isn't complete without you**. Has to be. That's right, 'cause there is One, only one resource of Eternal Life, and that is God, and Him alone has Eternal Life. See? Now, and you were a part of Him, insomuch that you're an attribute, or in His thinking in the beginning. And that, because He thought of you in the beginning, it gives that little tug towards Him. That's what has to be quickened. Some of them will never be quickened; they just don't have it, that's all.

THE FUTURE HOME [64-0802]

See, **you were made for an Eternal purpose**, because you was the--the manifestation of an attribute that was in God, that thought of you and expressed you; and He made a earth to take you out of, and to make you a human being. And sin come along and perverted His way. You come, anyhow, but you was lost with the world. So He come and redeemed you, the expressed attribute, and also redeems this earth by the same way. Then, **His purpose rolls on**. See? Oh! Hallelujah! Oh, that does me so much good, think of just what lays ahead!