

Message Title: Proving God's Will Pt-6

Theme: This message continues with the importance of proving God's will rather than just assuming that if it sounds right to us it must be right. It also begins to make application to the changes that come with viewing our lives with a purpose that goes beyond just self service.

The question of "Why do I exist?" is one that most people ask themselves at some point in their lives. It is one that can only be answered by personal experience following death, but that comes with the profound risk of finding out only after it is too late to benefit from knowing.

Logical conclusions to this question range from; there is no purpose because everything from Hollywood Stars to Celestial Stars has an expiration date, so get all you can while you can, to there must be a higher purpose for this amazing universe than just believing in an accident.

The problem is the unknown quantity. From the beginning of mankind to the present we don't know in advance what the results of our actions will be. Only hindsight reveals success or failure. Because of this we all live by faith. We choose to trust our decisions, or to trust others that we believe have found the answers.

The only way to know for sure is personal experience. For example, if someone says this is the right way and they have been this way before they have personal experience but you can't know unless you go and find out for yourself.

That is exactly what God has set up on this earth. The only way to know for sure is through personal experience. We say show me God, and God replies, trust me first then I'll show you. This is because we will all give account of ourselves as individuals. So God shows us proof of our correct choices in ways that are nontransferable.

The problem for us is, it's easier to trust ourselves or someone else who we agree with than to trust an unseen God.

Salient Points: Things hard to understand, Turning to God, The awe of creation, Free will, For God's pleasure, The meaning of life, Luke warm, Not made to produce, A life of faith, Help in understanding God, It's not about relief it's about learning, Despising God's chastening, See the big picture, Much more than duty, God's reward, Failed chastening, Focused on self, What counts in the end, Justifying your existence, Despise not, Selfish prayers, Think like God does, Problems, When God makes sore, Eating to God's glory, Spoiled by more.

Series: Our Timeless Creator, Remastered – 1088

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Scripture: Rev. 4:11, 3:14-16, 19, Job 5:17-18, Mt. 18:7, Heb. 12:10, Phil. 2:13, Eph. 1:4-11

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The speaker would like you to know that all of these messages are in the chronological progression that God revealed them, and even though many may stand alone, they progress through several subjects that build on the previous lessons. This series of messages titled "Our Timeless Creator" (OTC), shift the focus from salvation and service, to understanding God. How He who needs nothing, benefits from creating the human race. It started in 2007 when God brought the speaker to Psalm 50:15 three times following the miraculous healing of his dying wife. It reads, ***“And call upon me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify me”***. Following this he prayed fervently. "LORD, show me how to glorify you and I will do the best I can". The speaker had become a new creature, (2 Corinthians 5:17) on May 20 1973. At that moment the reality of GOD's existence and the direct connection to the Bible became miraculously clear. Overwhelmed with excitement he began telling everyone who had a few moments to listen, what he had found, like a man who had found a cure for a terminal illness, which everyone had. His excitement and enthusiasm continued for well over a year, even when many said, "you'll get over it." Slowly his efforts began to focus on responsibility and all the how-tos of service. As the excitement faded it was replaced with frustration. He had said many times "the most frustrating thing in life is to know what GOD could do and watch him not do it". In 2005 GOD began a work as described in Job 5:17-18, that changed everything. He says," it was much like when I first became a child of God all over again". He describes it like application of (2 Corinthians 3:18), "But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, *even* as by the Spirit of the Lord". Truly it has been a life changing experience as God increases and we, without trying, decrease.