

BECAUSE

GOD

I CAN

#5 - . . . HAVE A PURPOSEFUL, NOT POINTLESS LIFE!

*So, then, brothers and sisters, don't let anyone move you off the foundation of your faith. Always excel in the work you do for the Lord. You know that the hard work...you do for the Lord is not pointless. 1 Corinthians 15:58 (NOG)*

**MY LIFE WILL BE PURPOSEFUL NOT POINTLESS IF...**

**1. I \_\_\_\_\_.**

*You received this Good News and continue strong in it. <sup>2</sup> And you are being saved by it if you continue believing... 1 Corinthians 15:1, 2 (NCV)*

**2. I AM \_\_\_\_\_ BY \_\_\_\_\_.**

*Today I am who I am because of God's grace, and I have made sure that the grace He offered me has not been wasted. I have worked harder... than all the rest; but I realize it is not me—it is God's grace with me that has made the difference. 1 Corinthians 15:10 (VOICE)*

- **My life will be a \_\_\_\_\_ without the grace of God.**

*I'm like an aborted fetus who was given life.... 1 Corinthians 15:8 (GWT)*

- **My life can be a \_\_\_\_\_ with the grace of God.**

*I am the least of the apostles...1 Corinthians 15:7b (GWT)*

*From Paul, who was called by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus... 1 Corinthians 1:1 (TEV)*

**4 COMMITMENTS TO KEEP ME ON POINT. I COMMIT TO...**

**1. \_\_\_\_\_ WHAT GOD HAS DONE FOR ME.**

- **Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ for me.**

*My friends, I want you to remember the message that I preached and that you believed and trusted... <sup>3</sup> I told you the most important part of the message*

*exactly as it was told to me. That part is: Christ died for our sins, as the Scriptures say. 1 Corinthians 15:1, 3 (CEV)*

- **Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ for me.**

*He was buried, and three days later he was raised to life...*

**1 Corinthians 15: 4 (CEV)**

*I pray that you will begin to understand how incredibly great his power is to help those who believe him. It is that same mighty power <sup>20</sup>that raised Christ from the dead... Ephesians 1:19, 20 (LB)*

**2. \_\_\_\_\_ THE SALVATION GOD HAS OFFERED ME.**

*For it is by God's grace that you have been saved through faith. It is not the result of your own efforts, but God's gift. Ephesians 2:8 (TEV)*

**3. \_\_\_\_\_ WITH PEOPLE WHO WILL HELP ME.**

*Don't fool yourselves. Bad friends will destroy you.*

**1 Corinthians 15:33 (CEV)**

*You are not the same as those who do not believe. So do not join yourselves to them. Good and bad do not belong together. Light and darkness cannot share together. 2 Corinthians 6:14 (ICB)*

*We sent Timothy to... strengthen you, to encourage you in your faith, <sup>3</sup>to keep you from becoming disturbed by the troubles you were going through. But, of course, you know that such troubles are going to happen to us Christians. 1 Thessalonians 3:1, 3 (NLT)*

**4. \_\_\_\_\_ GOD'S CALLING FOR MY LIFE.**

*I am the least worthy of all the apostles... <sup>10</sup>(yet) I have worked harder than all the others 1 Corinthians 15:9a, 10b (LB)*

*Here's a word you can take to heart and depend on: Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. I'm proof—Public Sinner Number One—of someone who could never have made it apart from sheer mercy. <sup>16</sup> And now he shows me off—evidence of his endless patience—to those who are right on the edge of trusting him forever. 1 Timothy 1;15, 16 (MP)*

*Therefore, if anyone is united with Christ the Anointed One, that person is a new creation. The old life is gone—and see—a new life has begun! <sup>18</sup> All of this is a gift from our Creator God, who has pursued us and brought us into a restored and healthy relationship with Him through the Anointed. And He has given us the same mission, the ministry of reconciliation, to bring others back to Him. 2 Corinthians 5:17-18 (VOICE)*