



FIVE FACES OF SALVATION
Part 5: The Face of Meaninglessness

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Two Stories:

Exodus 9:13-35

- God's purpose is for us to spread His _____ throughout the world.
- See that God's purpose extends to those who _____ against Him.
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Acts 17:16-29

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Two Prophecies:

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- God's purpose is that we should _____ Him.
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John 3:16-18

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Forest Meadow
 Homework

From our story to His story...

1. Begin thinking about the ways God has taken you from a condition of meaninglessness to a place or position of purpose. In the space below, identify specific ways or even specific circumstances in which you have experienced His work in your life. Consider how he has shaped you, how he has received you, how he accomplishes his purpose in you, etc.

2. Now identify one of the stories in Exodus or Acts we studied that most relates to how you have seen God accomplish His purpose in your own salvation. Once you have identified that story, use it to fill in the blanks below....

One of my favorite stories about Jesus is when:
 (Fill in details of story in approximately 3-4 sentences here...)

3. The whole point of the story is to show us that Jesus came to... (State the reason why Jesus came, i.e., to restore us, to reveal Himself to us, to give us purpose, etc.)

4. Would you like to know more about how God wants to cleanse you with His blood?

EXAMPLE...

You know, one of my favorite stories from the Bible is the one where God used Pharaoh to bring glory and honor to Himself. Even though Pharaoh was opposing God, in fact because he was opposing Him, God showed His superior power by causing a devastating plague of hail to come on the land. Pharaoh decided to stop rebelling for a moment, but when the hail stopped Pharaoh went back to his old ways and tried to oppose God again. That is exactly the way I used to be. . .

Now if you really want to go all out, do the same activity for other stories!

After completing the homework above, get prepared to share that particular story at a moment's notice. Then pray specifically for an opportunity to share it with someone else this week. As you have the opportunity to share your story and/or His story, be ready to share with fellow believers how God involved you in His work!



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