In Proverb	s 19:21, we read some really wise words: "M	any are the plans in the mind of	a man, but it is
the	of the LORD that u	vill stand."	
Our Cr	eator has PURPOSES. Purposes are the	reasons WHY, and "the LORD) has made
everything	for its purpose" (Proverbs 16:4).		
One of t	he most important things we can do is slow	down every once in a while and	ask, "What's
MY purpo	ose? What does God want ME to be?" T	There are lots of ways to answer	r that question.
So far, we	've learned: (1) God wants me to be a magni	<mark>ifier</mark> of his name so that others	can see
through me	e, "God is great." (2) God wants me to be a	model of his character so that	t others can see
through me	e, "God is good."		
In this last lesson: "God wants me to be a messenger of his			
" What does that mean? How does a			
messenger of God's grace live? Here are a few examples			
Peter 4:10-II: as each has received a gift, use it to			of the second
	one another	Messer	messenger
≥ 2 Corinthians 1:3-4: the God of all comfort comforts us in our tough			
times,	so that can comfort others		
Ephesi	ans 4:31-32: as God forgives us, we should	d	_ each other
Matthe	w 5:16: let your light	before others, so that they m	ay see your
good u	orks and give glory to your Father who is in	heaven	

What's my purpose? That's a really, REALLY important question to ask. Let's let God answer it. He wants me to be a magnifier of his name. He wants me to be a model of his character. He wants to build a relationship with me, and he wants ME to make it clear to everyone around me by the way I live: "God wants to build a relationship with ______."

FOUNDATION STONES

Can you find Ephesians 2:10 in your Bible? Let's read it together and fill in the blanks below:



For we are his **workmanship**, created in Christ Jesus for **good** works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

What is "workmanship"? What do you think it means for me to be God's "workmanship"?

And what are we created in Christ Jesus for? GOOD WORKS. Can you think of some examples of GOOD WORKS that you can be involved in, even this week?

We heard the apostle Peter say in I Peter 4:10, "As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another." Can you think of any examples of "gifts" you've been given by God that you can use to "serve" other people?

How can you—even as a very young person—communicate to others by the way you live YOUR life, "God wants to build a relationship with you"?



What might get in the way of communicating that truth if we're not careful? And why is that a really, REALLY big deal?