OUR PURPOSE

There are many things we do in life that are important, or we think they are. Our work is important because it makes us a productive member of society. Our families are important because we want them to be that way as well.

But when you get right down to it, “where the rubber meets the road,” what are the most important things in our lives. Some would put love at the top of the list but that depends on what you mean by “love.” We use the word a lot today, and as I have mentioned before, I use it very, very carefully.

The kind of love most think about is a “touchy feeling” of good will toward someone else. But that is not the kind of love the Bible speaks about. The kind the Bible speaks about is the kind that wants good for the object of our actions. Paul sums it up like this in Romans 12:9 “Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good.”

Contrary to the thinking of some, life is not altogether about us. It is about other people as well. And if we love others and want what is best for them, we know the best we can do for them is help them prepare for heaven.

I am not minimizing our lives for a minute. Of course every person is important. But our purpose, one we have prepared ourselves, is to help prepare others to spent eternity with God.

What could be more important than that?

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