



Why
Here

Our purpose for being here.
Why we were created to be here

....if we should all go astray,
who will lead us?

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Dedicated to every beautiful soul out there

Grace and Peace brethren,

Dear Mom, I Love You.

THE ORCHARD

.....We are unique entities with unique identities fitted into one identikit.

-unknown.

Maybe we didn't realize this the very day we were born, but we got to realize and believe as we grew that we were created by some Divine Creator somewhere up there in the sky. We came to realize that there are many of us. Probably, we saw ourselves differently from the kids we sat by at Kindergarten or that guy we used to play football with at our backyard. And the truth is, we are all 'different', not in the sense of inequality but in the perspective of we been unique entities with unique identities yet equal in God's perspective.

Apart from we being unique personalities, we all originated from one Creator and have some shared values in common. Since the very beginning, we were all made to live out our lives with each other in harmony and it is required that we frown division and give light to diversity.

It's really *awe-inspiring* to know how one Creator with genuine ingenuity was able to create over 7 billion people and counting with different and unique divine distinctiveness. We might be tempted to perceive this with a shallow perspective, but how set and focused was this Creator in making sure that He creates over 7 billion people including those past and gone and upcoming souls with a specific divine characteristic and uniqueness. How set was He? And how remarkable it is to know He created us in His own *image* and *likeness*. (Genesis 1:26). We have read and reread and heard this particular verse in the Bible on many occasion and it's becoming a little bit stale.

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But the staleness of this does not nullify the power contained in this context; that we are created in the Divine's *image* and *likeness*. We weren't created for fun. Be thoughtful about your makeup and quiet yourself on this basic reality and get to know who you really are and why you are here and in this setting of time.

PURPOSE, GOAL, UNIQUENESS

.....a polished but unpublished purpose and characteristics serve nothing

-unknown

We know and we are told we are unique; we have some precious seed in us, which will bloom beautifully when nurtured. The truth is, precious seeds cannot and will never grow on a lazy or infertile soil. A precious seed will be good and produce noble fruits as good as its bearer chooses it to be. No one does the warriors workout for him. It is up to you to take charge of everything that has been placed inside of you. These characteristics and purposes that are beautifully engraved like an embroidery in the crevices of our being cannot be suppressed unless we choose it to be so. What measures us is what is within us. We exhibit some potentials and distinctiveness in us not because these distinctiveness is found in the world or the world possesses these qualities, but it is because of the makeup within us. We have this uniqueness in us not because the world is unique, but it's because we are unique and this is the distinctiveness the world is groaning to experience. We weren't created empty just like a vacuum. No. You are created with sweet scented purpose, characteristic, endowments packaged within you, and you're just as beautiful as this artistry within you.

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It wasn't by chance that you were created to be part of this generation. Many people sometimes wonder why they were created and believe there was a fault in their creation. By default, you were created because you needed to be created and the world needs you at this very moment in time. In addition, no mathematical anomaly or permutation or probability took place anywhere for you to be created. You were divinely designed by a set God not with fig leaves of mediocrity but with heavenly beauty and might. You were predestined in time memorial to happen so stop doubting your existence and start living.

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Each individual has a particular purpose he/she has been assigned to accomplish during his or her stay here on earth. These purposes we received were just like an assigned script, it came with some unique abilities, distinctiveness and potentials that will gear us on towards the culmination of victory. Our existence here on earth is not to the benefit of ourselves alone but to the benefit of all humanity and even those yet unborn. The world started getting chaotic, corrupted and darkened the very moment man started focusing on using his existence here on earth to his own benefit at the expense of the livelihood of his fellow neighbour. It is however imperative that we get to know that although we are the ones that actuate these potentials within us and use it for the purpose we have been handed, it is not really about us. It isn't about our gains. It is about the betterment of the world: creating a beautiful world and restoring what has been lost through cruelty and greediness. Besides we can't do this by ourselves alone, we are interdependent on each other for our successes. You can't be an island, even an island needs an ocean to become an island.

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WHY HERE?

... created to create.

In Genesis, mankind was handed a concise and precise manuscript on why we were created. The very purpose we were created was beautifully scripted in the first book of the Holy Bible.

^[26] *Then God said, "Let us make man in our own image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, and over all the creatures that move along the ground."^[28] God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and over every living creature that moves on the ground." (Genesis 1:26 & 28).*

This is why we were created and this is why we are here and this should be how we plan our lives here on earth. We were made to dominate and create something out of what we have been given. Literally, we are told to subdue; to have an impact, to bring about a transformation or a change in the world by using what we have at our disposal (*creation*) by the quality of the potential and characteristics within us. This spells out how you can't be a mediocre and live your life anyhow here on earth because you are endowed with much to fail your world with it. You are blessed with sufficient ability and capability within you to be a second-rate being.

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Creativity Revealed

Genesis 11:1-8

^[1] *Now the whole world had one language and a common speech. ^[2] As men moved eastward, they found a plain in Shinar and settled there.*

^[3] *They said to each other, "Come let's make bricks and bake them thoroughly." They used brick instead of stone, and tar for mortar.*

^[4] *Then they said, "Come let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves and not be scattered over the face of the whole earth."*

”^[5] *But the Lord came down to see the city and the tower that the men were building.* ^[6] *The Lord said, “If as one people speaking the same language they have begun to do this, then nothing will be impossible for them.* ^[7] *Come, let us go down and confuse their language so they will not understand each other.* ^[8] *So the Lord scattered them from there over all the earth and they stopped building the city.*

Most often when a picture is being painted, we hardly ever look into it but we rather just look at it plainly. There’s this portrayal that is created in the Holy Bible about some imaginative group of people who decided to build a city with a tower to reach the Most High in Heaven. Many interpretations and elements goes into this portrayal.

Even the unity that existed between them was something peculiar and amazing, because how can a group of people agree on one thing to build a tower to reach the heavenly. It’s quite rare and insane even in our corporate world right now. But one understanding that can be reasoned from this prehistoric occurrence is the creative ability God gave man to rule over this earth. Their ability to reason and build a tower to reach the heavenly is something stunning and marvellous even though that wasn’t God’s original intent for mankind. I believe the *principle of corporate possibility* can be reasoned from this occurrence. And it all hinges on *corporate unity*. Even the Most High testified about their corporate unity. In Genesis chapter 11, God (*the Trinity*) didn’t confuse the language of mankind and scatter them over the face of the earth because He hated them or didn’t like the fact that they were united and building a tower to reach the heavenly. God wasn’t really perturbed about that, but what He was really alarmed and concerned about was how mankind was drifting away from His initial plan. (Genesis 1:26).

We will really appreciate this with a clear understanding if we create a simple juxtaposition of some verses in the first book of the Bible; Genesis 1:26 in contrast to Genesis 11:4

<p>Genesis 1:26 Then God said, “<i>Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground.</i>”</p>	<p>Genesis 11:4 Then they said, “ Come, <i>let us build ourselves a city, with a tower that reaches to the heavens, so that we may make a name for ourselves and not be scattered over the face of the whole earth.</i>”</p>
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There’s a clear distinction between God’s initial plan and what mankind intended to do. God wanted mankind to spread over all the earth and subdue the earth (*by the creative ability he gave man*), but mankind, *notice*, wanted to use God’s creative ability in him to create something enormous within one setting and not all over the earth.

Initially, it was and it is still God’s plan for mankind to make something stunning out of what He has given us. We are endowed with enough and the earth is also endowed with much resources for us to use it for the improvement of livelihood. We are made to dominate all over the earth and not just some portion of this universe.

Basically, this is what I am trying to communicate in this piece of literature, you have been made distinctive to produce beauty and you just can’t live anyhow here on earth. You just can’t! Look beyond now, picture the future in mind and come back to now and ask yourself this question, ‘*why am I here?*’

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Maybe you might not be aware but you were made to rule, to subdue, to spring forth beauty, to be a torchbearer to your generation. It's not a joke, but *if we all are to go astray, who will lead us?* Who will inspire, motivate, preside, rule, build and bring beauty to this world? No one will, **unless we do it**. Let this be a generational blessing of burden to you. Think about that child, that mother, that friend, the future, have your posterity in mind. You just can't live anyhow here on earth because you weren't created anyhow. You have an imprint to leave here on earth and in eternity. Someone's joy is dependent on your success. What if no one did anything good, what if no one laid a better foundation for us to thrive on since time memorial? We sometimes condemn and criticize historical figures for their flaws, greediness and selfishness, but that's what we normally and mostly do sometimes.

Contemplate about this, *we are walking on the surface of this earth that the same men of greatness who laboured to make this world a better place used to walk on*. How about you? What can you do to continue their labour? What can you bring into existence? I tell you, we will continue to stay in mayhem if we fail to carry on the labour that bloomed beauty into this world. We aren't here to joke. Don't be deceived, you are endowed with much and you have to rise beyond the plain of your superficial thought to realise what's inside of you.

The only way to get it done is to start doing it. Be intentional about your existence. Start doing what you have been made to do and see several generations rising to your calling. *Let's start living because creation waits in eager expectation for our revealing.*

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Akai- Nettey, CLIFFORD

Bofah Sarbeng, EUGENE

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