Why Am I Here? Part #2

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Why did you create us? For nothing?

Psalm 89:47 (NCV)

Why was I ever born?

Jeremiah 20:18 (NLT)

It's in Christ that we find out who we are and what we are living for...

Ephesians 1:11a (MSG)

The LORD has made everything for his own purposes.

Proverbs 16:4 (NLT)

Why am I here?

- 1. I'm here because of God's Love.
- 2. I'm here to prepare.
- 3. I'm here to bring glory to God.

For everything comes from God alone. Everything lives by his power, and everything is for his glory. To him be glory evermore.

Romans 11:36 (LB)

Three things that were made to bring glory to God:

The heavens declare the glory of God...

Psalm 19:1 (NIV)

The Son is the radiance of God's glory...

Hebrews 1:3 (NIV)

Bring all who claim me as their God, for I have made them for my glory

Isaiah 43:7 (NLT)

4. I'm here to make a difference.

In the same way that you gave me a mission in the world, I give them a mission in the world.

John 17:18 (MSG)

- Jesus knew exactly why he was on earth... "I have come..."
 - ... to fulfill ... Matthew 5
 - ... to bring salvation...Matthew 10
 - ... to **preach**... Mark 1
 - ... to **bring fire**...Luke 12
 - ... to seek and save... Luke 19
 - ... to do God's will... John 6
 - ... to **bring an abundant life**... John 10
 - ... to **bring light into darkness**... John 12
 - ... to **serve**... Matthew 20
 - ... to *rule*... John 18
- I'm on a mission from God!

God is our Maker, and in our union with Christ, he has created us for a life of good works, which he has already prepared for us to do.

Ephesians 2:10 (GN)

He died for everyone so that those who receive his new life will no longer live for themselves. Instead, they will live for Christ, who died and was raised for them. So we have stopped evaluating others from a human point of view. At one time we thought of Christ merely from a human point of view. How differently we know him now! This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun! And all of this is a gift from God, who brought us back to himself through Christ. And God has given us this task of reconciling people to him. 2 Corinthians 5:15-18 (NLT)

Why will I be here?

- The Survivor approach?
- The Natural approach?
- The YOLO approach?
- The <u>Consumer</u> approach?
- The Narcissistic approach?
- The Eternal approach?

...Knowing God results in every other kind of understanding.

Proverbs 9:10b (LB)