

Have you ever felt like you were meant for something bigger—like life should be more than just surviving day to day? Maybe you've had moments where you wondered, Is this all there is? The truth is, deep inside, we all have a longing for purpose, meaning, & fulfillment. But so many people feel stagnant or stuck. We were created for overflow (to pour out)!

We Were Created for Overflow, but It Was Stopped by Sin!

1. God created us for relationship with Him & purpose

- **Genesis 1:26**, *Then God said, "Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground."*
- **Genesis 1:27**, *So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.*

2. Sin separated us from God & distorted our purpose

- **Genesis 3:1-7**, *Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made... (continue as needed)*
- **Romans 3:23**, *For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.*
- **Ephesians 2:1-3**, *As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient.*

3. Sin is serious & its consequence is judgment & death

- **Romans 6:23a**, *For the wages of sin is death...*
- **Hebrews 9:27**, *Just as people are destined to die once, and after that to face judgment...*
- **2 Thessalonians 1:8-9**, *He will punish those who do not know God and do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might.*
- **Matthew 7:21-23**, *Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven...*

Jesus Is Our Only Hope for Restoring an Overflowing Life!

1. Jesus is the Son of God & the only way to salvation

- **Romans 6:23b**, *...but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.*
- **John 14:6**, *Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."*

2. Jesus died on the cross in our place as our substitute

- **Romans 5:8**, *But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.*
- **1 Peter 2:24**, *"He himself bore our sins" in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; "by his wounds you have been healed."*

3. Jesus rose from the dead 3 days later, defeating death

- **Romans 6:9-10**, *For we know that since Christ was raised from the dead, he cannot die again; death no longer has mastery over him. The death he died, he died to sin once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God.*
- **John 11:25-26**, *Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?"*

How Must We Respond to This?

1. Understand the commitment of being a Christ-follower

- **Luke 9:23**, *Then he said to them all: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me."*
- **John 3:3**, *Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again."*
- **John 3:16**, *For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.*
- **John 1:12**, *Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.*
- **2 Corinthians 5:17**, *Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!*
- **Ephesians 2:8-9**, *For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast.*

2. Simply repent of sin, believe the gospel & follow Jesus

- **Mark 1:15**, *"The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!"*
- **Acts 3:19**, *Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord.*
- **1 John 1:9**, *If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.*
- **Romans 10:9-10**, *If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved.*
- **Romans 10:13**, *For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."*

3. You are invited to an overflowing life with Christ

- **John 7:37-38**, *On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them."*
- **Luke 14**, *The Parable of the Great Banquet—Jesus invites everyone!*

4. Jesus restores you to be a river, not a reservoir

- **Matthew 28:19-20**, *Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.*
- **John 20:21**, *Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you."*
- **Acts 1:8**, *But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.*
- **Ephesians 2:10**, *For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.*

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- I put my trust in Jesus today for the first time
- I recommitted my life to Jesus today
- I already believe and follow Jesus
- I still have more questions
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