

Where You Fit in God's Plan

I Peter 1:18-21



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God's plan always involves people, and you are one of those people. God's plan includes *you*. Just think of it. God had *you* in mind when He put His plan together for the whole world. So where do you fit in that plan?

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When did this plan have its beginning? How much did this plan cost, and what is your part in it? Today we make that discovery by noting five vital truths:

How the world values people

I. Introduction

Outward beauty

Personal wealth

Accomplishments

How does God value us?

He looks at us through a different lens

He chooses the foolish things

to confound the wise

(see 1 Corinthians 1:27)

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I am a child of God and I belong to Him

John 1:12

*Yet to all who received him, to those who
believed in his name, he gave the right to
become children of God.*

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*I am loved by God and nothing can separate me
from His love.*

1 Peter 2:9

*But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood,
a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that
you may declare the praises of him who called
you out of darkness into his wonderful light.*

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Romans 8:35-39

*Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?
Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or
famine or nakedness or danger or sword? As it
is written:*

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"For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

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*For I am convinced that neither death nor life,
neither angels nor demons, neither the present
nor the future, nor any powers, neither height
nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will
be able to separate us from the love of God that
is in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

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I am chosen by God.

Ephesians 1:4

For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight.

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I am forgiven and my sin-debt is paid.

Colossians 2:13-14

He forgave us all our sins, having cancelled the written code, with its regulations, that was against us and that stood opposed to us; he took it away, nailing it to the cross.

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*I am strengthened for all tasks to which God
calls me.*

Philippians 4:13

*I can do everything through him who gives me
strength.*

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The Holy Spirit is with me.

John 14:16

*And I will ask the Father, and he will give you
another Counselor to be with you forever.*

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*I have peace with God through my Lord Jesus
Christ.*

Romans 5:1

*Therefore, since we have been justified through
faith, we have peace with God through our Lord
Jesus Christ.*

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I am never alone

Hebrews 13:5

Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you."

God has a plan for you

II. Your Preciousness

Redemption infers value

The love of God (see John 3:16)

III. Your Predicament

Aimless conduct

IV.. Your Price

The precious blood of Christ

“Salvation is free, but it is not cheap”

—Vance Havner

Jesus' blood was precious; He was the only
person who never sinned

V. Your Predestination

You were never an afterthought to God—
you were a forethought

God's redemption is as eternal as His power
(see Revelation 13:8)

V. Your Part

The believing, the faith—that is your part
Come as you are and let God clean up your act
Do you truly believe?

V. Your Part

Do you **lean** on Him?

Do you **trust** Him?

You must believe in His **death**, His **resurrection**
that He is Lord, and He ascended to glory

Final Thoughts

You have a God who says, "You are worth everything"

No sin is too great, no life is too evil

We all come the same way—we all must be redeemed

Only His blood can redeem