

## PURPOSE DRIVEN LIFE

*A Manifesto on  
The Meaning of Life*



CHRISTIAN EMBASSY

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How do you see your life? What metaphor would you use to describe the last 3 years? “My life is like a \_\_\_\_\_? Rick Warren suggest that there are three biblical metaphors of life

1. *Life on earth is a test* – “Character is both developed and revealed by test, and *all* of life is a test. You are *always* being tested.... When you understand that life is a test, you realize that *nothing* is insignificant in your life.” (p. 43)
  2. *Life on earth is a trust* – “At the end of your life on earth you will be evaluated and rewarded according to how well you handled what God entrusted to you. That means *everything* you do, even simple daily chores, has eternal implications.” (p. 45)
  3. *Life on earth is a temporary assignment* - “Realizing that life on earth is just a temporary assignment should radically alter your values. Eternal values, not temporal ones, should become the deciding factors for your decisions.” (p. 50)
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1. Read James 1:2-4. If your life is a test, what are the implications of this passage to your present experience?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  2. Read Psalm 24:1 and Luke 16:10-15. If your life is a trust, what are the implications of this passage to your present experience?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  3. Read 1 Peter 2:9-17. If your life is a temporary assignment, what are the implications of this passage to your present experience?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  4. Warren writes, “Living the rest of your life for the glory of God will require a change in your priorities, your schedule, your relationships, and everything else. It will sometimes mean choosing a difficult path instead of an easy one.... Will you live for your own goals, comfort, and pleasure, or will you live the rest of your life for God’s glory, knowing that He has promised eternal rewards?” (p. 57)

*“For everything comes from God alone.  
Everything lives by his power, and everything is for his glory.”  
Romans 11:36*