

Uncovering the Treasure of Purposive Discipleship




And you will be called priests of the LORD,
you will be named ministers of our God.

**You will feed on the wealth of nations,
and in their riches you will boast.**

**⁷ Instead of your shame
you will receive a double portion,
and instead of disgrace
you will rejoice in your inheritance.**

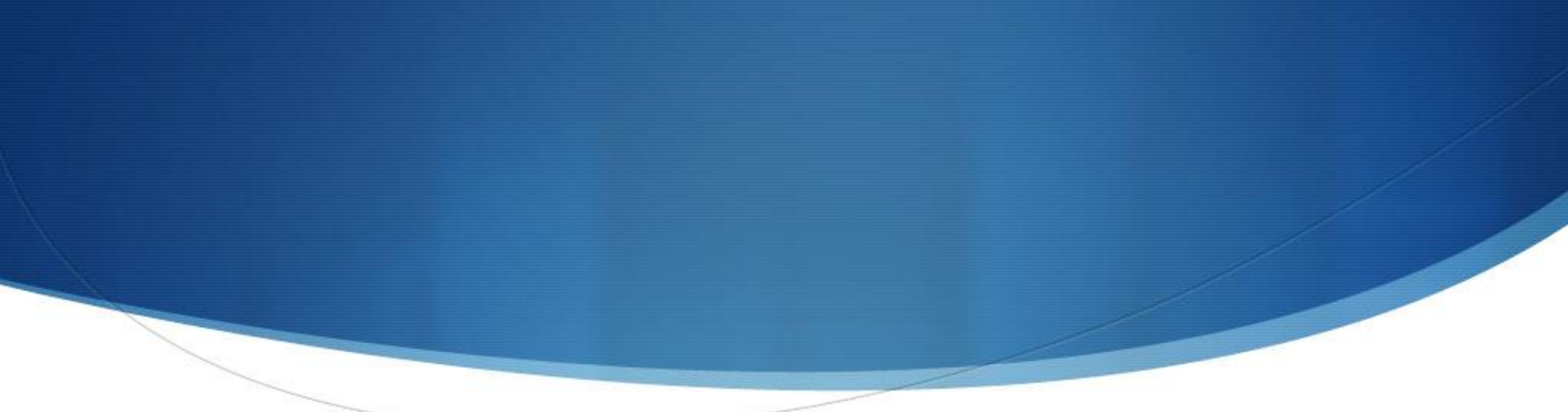
And so you will inherit a double portion in your land,
and everlasting joy will be yours.

Isaiah 61:6-7



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Acts 20:35



*Purposive discipleship ignites
change in a teachable heart,
like glowing tinder waiting to
burst into flames*

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2. How to have it?
3. How to own it?

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Matthew 13:44-46

Hidden Treasure	Pearl
Kingdom of Heaven	Kingdom of Heaven
Man	Merchant
Found it, he hid it again	Looking for fine pearls, found one of great value
In his joy went	Went away
Sold all he had	Sold everything he had
Bought that field	Bought it (the pearl)

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Proverbs 12:24

²⁴ Diligent hands will rule,
but laziness ends in forced labor.

Proverbs 31:10

¹⁰ A wife of noble character who can find?
She is worth far more than rubies.

Proverbs 31:27-28

²⁷ She watches over the affairs of her household
and does not eat the bread of idleness.

²⁸ Her children arise and call her blessed;
her husband also, and he praises her:

Proverbs 14:23

²³ All hard work brings a profit,
but mere talk leads only to poverty.

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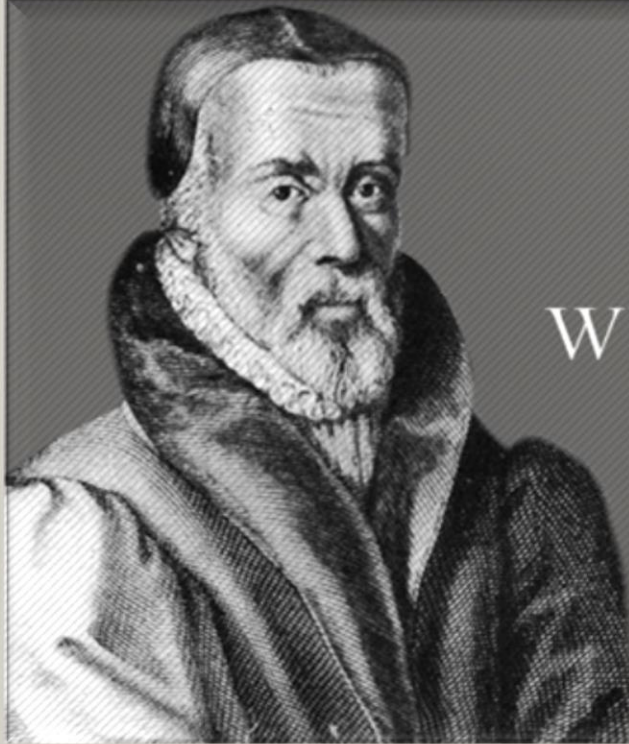
Give up what pleases you to please Him to bring joy to you and to Him.

Luke 9

⁵⁷ As they were walking along the road, a man said to him, “I will follow you wherever you go.”

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⁶² Jesus replied, “No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God.”



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1494–1536



Philippians 1:21

²¹ For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.

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Invest in eternity!

1 Corinthians 6:20

²⁰ you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.

I have decided
to follow Jesus



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