

Fulfilling Your Destiny

Destiny - the end result of God's design for your life.

Have you ever thought about your destiny? I have often thought about the destiny God had planned for me since before I was born. He did have a plan. He does have a plan for today and He has all of my tomorrows in His plan. But what is it? What is the plan God has for my life? Have I done what is necessary to put myself in the middle of that path that leads to my destiny? Am I walking in the plan daily? Will I do something tomorrow or the next day to abort the plan of God? So many questions, yet so few answers.

I have never been a person with grand dreams and lofty goals. I am a practical, logical, down-to-earth, everyday person. My plans are very short-ranged. I cannot even manage to plan meals ahead more than one or two at a time. I grocery shop three or four times a week. As you can see, I am not a "plan-ahead" person. I am a "daily" person. I loved to be organized, arranged and scheduled for the short-term - but don't ask me to plan a vacation 6 months in advance.

The question then becomes - does God's plan for me include the reality that I am not a planner? The answer is simply - Yes. God knows the beginning from the end (Isaiah 46:10). God created me and knit me together just the way I am (Psalm 139:13). His plan for me, my destiny, is interwoven in who He made me to be.

Every time I hear a sermon, or read a book about establishing goals or having "vision," I have to fight off feeling badly because I have never operated that way. God has not spoken to me about what lies ahead for me to accomplish in the future. The Scripture that is often used in connection with "vision" is Proverbs 29:18, which says in the King James version, "*without vision, the people perish.*" The conclusion is made that we all must have vision, dreams, goals and future plans. Vision is essential for some. God gives vision to those whom He chooses to see carry it out. My husband has great vision, but I do not. This same Scripture is also translated in the NIV as, "*Where there is no revelation, the people cast off restraint; but blessed is he who keeps the law.*" When people do not have a revelation of God, or there is no prophetic vision, they will not have an

understanding of who God really is and they will (GWT) “*run wild.*” The principle here is that when people do not know God there are consequences. Knowing God is the key. Following Him and obeying His Word will keep us “restrained” and on the right path. I believe that if I continue to draw closer to God, to focus on who He is, His plan for me will come to pass. If daily, I make it my aim to please God, (2 Corinthians 5:9), my destiny will be fulfilled. If I can “pray without ceasing” my steps will be “ordered by the Lord.” If I can simply be who God created me to be, and be comfortable with who I am in Christ, then my destiny will be realized. I am who God created me to be. I continue to renew my mind so I can think like God. I seek the Lord for His wisdom, His guidance and His peace. I try to be aware of His presence always. My destiny is a “city on a hill.” My destiny is to do the will of God daily. My destiny, the end result of God’s plan for my life, will be fulfilled if I can one day stand before God and hear Him say, “Well done, good and faithful servant.”

Learn to rest in who God has made you to be. If you are a dreamer - then dream. If you are a planner... then plan. If God puts vision in your heart - be a visionary. But if you are a daily person like me, do all you can each and every day to please God. Walk in the assurance that you don’t have to be someone you are not. You only have to be the person God created you to be.