



“What You See, Is Not the End”

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Sermon Notes

What do you see when you look in the mirror? Do you see who you are or what you can potentially become in Christ Jesus?

We can realize our potential and move closer to our purpose in life by understanding these principles.

#1. God Created Everything with Potential.

Romans 8:28-30 (New International Version)

²⁸And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, ^[a] who ^[b] have been called according to his purpose. ²⁹For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. ³⁰And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified.

#2 Potential is Not Realized in An Instant.

Genesis 2:2-3 (New International Version)

² By the seventh day God had finished the work he had been doing; so on the seventh day he rested ^[a] from all his work. ³ And God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it he rested from all the work of creating that he had done.

#3 Don't be Satisfied with What You are Now.

2 Corinthians 4:18 (New International Version)

¹⁸So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal.

Galatians 6:9-10 (New International Version)

⁹Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. ¹⁰Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.

#4 Release Your Potential Before the Race is Done.

2 Timothy 4:6-8 (New International Version)

⁶For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time has come for my departure. ⁷I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸Now

there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day—and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

Conclusion

God Created us with Potential

Potential takes time to be realized

Satisfaction is the Enemy of Potential

I must release all my ability if I am going to live to my full Potential