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Living the Great Life

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If you could do anything with your life, if everyone in your life who matters – your mom, dad, spouse, significant other, group of friends, boss, mentor, God – if they all said, “Go for it! That’s you!” - what would you do?

Jim Collins, author of the bestselling books “Built to Last” and “Good to Great”, often begins interviews with CEO’s by asking what they would do differently with their lives if he placed \$200 million in their checking accounts. So, allow me to ask you, what would you do differently if you woke up and discovered that someone had placed \$200 million in *your* checking account? What would change for you?

Would you have shown up for work this morning? (Careful!)

Are you living your life the way you really want to live? Or, might you be looking for something better, something more?

The Bible has some direction for you if you choose to consider it. Here are a few thoughts:

- **You were specifically designed by God to do great things.** Ephesians 2:10 says, “For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.” God designed good things, great things for you to accomplish before He created you. But, He had you in mind at the time. He thought of the great things He’d have you do, then He created you to do them. Have you discovered what they are?
- **You are part of a great plan and there is a specific place for you in it.** Jeremiah 29:11 says, “For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a hope and a future.” God has a great purpose for you. Are you living it out?
- **When you discover God’s plan and work to fulfill it, He will assist you in completing it.** Philippians 1:6 says, “And I am sure of this, that He who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Christ Jesus.” If you project your current life out 40, 50, 60 years, what will be the result? Is it the one you want?

If you are living God’s plan for your life, congratulations! Stay the course, even when it gets rough. Galatians 6:9 says, “Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.”

If you are not living God’s plan for you, and you’re sensing an inner discontentment, isn’t it time for a change? He’s waiting for you! Go grab the life God designed just for you!

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