

## Why are we here?

Esther 4:10-17; Eph. 2:10  
January 24, 2010

## Esther's Story

- Her background
- Her decision
- Other stories

### *Joseph's Insight*

<sup>5</sup>“Now do not be grieved or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here, for God sent me before you to preserve life. <sup>6</sup>For the famine *has been* in the land these two years, and there are still five years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvesting.

### *Joseph's Insight*

<sup>7</sup>God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant in the earth, and to keep you alive by a great deliverance. <sup>8</sup>Now, therefore, it was not you who sent me here, but God; and He has made me a father to Pharaoh and lord of all his household and ruler over all the land of Egypt.” (Gen. 45:5-8, NASB)

### *God's Purpose for David*

“For David, after he **had served the purpose of God** in his own generation, fell asleep, and was laid among his fathers and underwent decay; “  
(Acts 13:36, NASB)

### **God's Purpose for Us**

- God's design

### ***God's Design***

<sup>13</sup>"For You formed my inward parts; You wove me in my mother's womb. <sup>14</sup>I will give thanks to You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Wonderful are Your works, And my soul knows it very well.

<sup>15</sup>My frame was not hidden from You, When I was made in secret, *And* skillfully wrought in the depths of the earth;

### ***God's Design***

"<sup>16</sup>Your eyes have seen my unformed substance; And in Your book were all written The days that were ordained *for me*, When as yet there was not one of them." (Ps. 139:13-16, NASB)

### **God's Purpose for Us**

- God's design
- God's plan

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### **Additional Information**

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