



The Fundamentals of the Game

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Core Question: “God, what should I do with my life?”

Answer and Key Idea: “I AM your life.”

Bottom Line: Our focus is not the future. Our focus is a person.

Scripture: Colossians 3:1–4

Introduction

- In Game Plan, we’re going to be dealing with one of life’s big questions.
- My context with this question: “Jeff, there is a God and he has a great plan for your life.” College? Major? Career? Relationships? Where to live?
- I began to experience that finding God’s plan for my life seemed more mystery than certainty. God seemed more silent than active. Football analogy.
- I began to wonder: “If there is a God and he has a great plan for my life, why does it seem so hard to find out what those plans are?”
- Maybe you can relate. Specific examples.
- All of those questions and situations can be rolled into: “GOD, WHAT SHOULD I DO WITH MY LIFE?” “GOD, WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS FOR MY LIFE?” “GOD, WHAT IS YOUR WILL FOR MY LIFE?”
- Maybe you didn’t incorporate God into the question, but you’ve asked something like this before. We all have.
- So, here’s the premise and promise of this series. The premise is: there is a God and he has a great plan for your life. The promise is: at the end of this series, you will be better equipped and encouraged to understand how to find God’s plans for your life. That’s what this series is about.

This Sunday, you will walk away knowing God’s overarching plan for your life. Big promise. But I think what you’re about to see is an answer from God that not only answers our question; it supersedes the question and provides us with purpose and direction. Not only that, let me say this to those of you who are thinking that this is a series for the 20–30 year olds. Maybe you think too much of life has gone by for you to ask this question. What we’re about to discover with God’s answer to the question is that it is never too late. God can take you right where you are and bring you into his plans for you.

A Word from our Sponsor

Now, I think the best place to start in trying to find God’s plans for our lives is with God himself. And, honestly, I have a hunch that God looks at our frustrations over trying to figure out his plans for our lives and wonders what all the fuss and confusion is about. I think he could argue, very successfully, that he has outlined his plans (will) for our lives. In fact, in preparation for our time together, we simply looked up all the verses in the Bible that used the word ‘will’ or had something to do with God’s plans for our lives. And what you’ll find in the Bible is that God’s will for your life and mine is the following: