

It's Never Too Late

Do you ever feel that it is too late to fulfill the plan and purpose God has for your life?

If you do, let me encourage you. According to our country's legal retirement years, I am several years past retirement age but still work and enjoy it. I work because I want to, not because I have to. Yet, I know that until God calls me home I will continue to walk in the destiny He has for me. God has promised in His Word that with long life and length of days will He satisfy me (see Ps. 91:16). I don't allow my age to dictate what I can accomplish for God.

This year, for example, I still work PT at my job, write articles for my Web site, and continue to minister regularly, often traveling to different states and out of the country. I also attend church and special meetings on a regular basis and find time to enjoy my grandchildren. Walking in the destiny of God is fun and exciting!

In fact, I see no reason why we can't experience life as Moses did until the end of our days. The Word of God tells us that although he was old when he died (120 years), his eyes were not dim and his strength was not abated (see Deut. 34:7). I rejoice that I can give a similar report! Although I am up in years, I have no lack of vitality, and see perfectly with the glasses God provided.

In order to walk in the fullness of God's plan for our lives, however, we have to change the way we see ourselves. We are not weak, ineffective and purposeless—or too old to make a difference. God's plan does not have time limits like a parking meter. It doesn't have to be fulfilled before you reach a certain age, or end when your children are grown up or you stop receiving a paycheck.

God has had thoughts "to give you a future and a hope" (Jer. , NKJV) since before you were conceived. And He created you and equipped you to bear fruit until the day you leave this Earth.

The psalmist alludes to this destiny when he says to God: "You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mothers' womb. I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; marvelous are Your works, and that my soul knows very well." (Ps. 139:13-14).

Does your soul (your mind, will and emotions) know "very well" that you are "fearfully and wonderfully made"? Do you really believe it?

If not, renew your thinking by memorizing Scriptures like this that point to the destiny and plan God has for your life. As you meditate on the Word your mind will begin to grasp the truth that you are not an accident. You will see that God considered every detail in forming you in your mothers' womb. He knew you even before He fashioned you!

In essence, here is what verses 13 and 14 of Psalm 139 say of God's creation: "Fearfully" indicates that God took extreme

and very great
care when He created you. “Wonderfully” means He made you
“marvelous,
surprisingly fine or excellent.” And “marvelous” says you are
“astonishingly
excellent.”

Verses 15 and 16 declare that God knew what He was doing:
“My frame was not hidden from You, when I was made in secret,
and skillfully
wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. Your eyes saw my
substance, being yet
unformed. And in Your book they are all written, the days
fashioned for me,
when as yet there were none of them.”

God had a plan for you before you could even step into it,
and only you can keep you from it. The devil can't.

The devil tried everything he could to destroy Moses. But
crocodiles couldn't kill him. False gods of the Nile could not
destroy him.

Pharaoh could not eradicate him. Instead Pharaoh's own
daughter paid wages to
have Moses' birth mother nurse him. God had a destiny for
Moses, and He
protected Him so that he could fulfill it.

But there's even more encouraging news: Much of what God
used Moses to accomplish came about in the later years of
Moses' life. He
didn't even get much of a start until he turned 80!

It's never too late for you to step into God's plan for your
life and accomplish the purpose for which He created you. If
you think you've
missed it somehow by not cooperating with Him, simply repent,
and express your

willingness to be and do all He desires. Before you know it, you'll see that, like Jesus, you are anointed to preach the good news, heal the brokenhearted and set the captives free (see Is. 61:1-3; Luke 4:18-19)—and that you have ample opportunities remaining to bear “much fruit” (John 15:5).

PRAYER POWER FOR THE WEEK OF 3/5/2012

This week thank God every morning that you are alive and still have a destiny to fulfill. Express your willingness to be all He desires and watch Him unfold His plan and purpose for you. Thank Him for new opportunities to be a blessing and bear much fruit. Continue to pray that God would pour out His Spirit, send more laborers into His harvest fields and spread His kingdom worldwide. Pray for the peace of Jerusalem and remember those persecuted for the cause of Christ. Pray for a spirit of repentance to permeate the church, bring revival and empower us to be the ambassadors we're meant to be. Continue to pray for our nation and its leaders, the military, the upcoming election, and those suffering through the losses incurred in recent tornadoes and natural disasters. Pray for America to come back to God! Psalm 139; Jer. 29:11; Isa. 61:1-3

To enrich your prayer life and learn how to strategically pray with power by using appropriate scriptures, we recommend the following sources by Apostle John Eckhardt: Prayers that Rout Demons, Prayers that Bring

Healing, Prayers that Release Heaven on Earth *and* Prayers that
Break
Curses. *To order any or all of these click here.*