

HLL Purpose Driven Life Study (Mentor)

Objectives:

- To help students recognize that God a purpose for each of their lives
- To break the ice and help students get acquainted
- To set the atmosphere for the HLL program

Main Point: It's not all about you!! It is about God!! (This is the secret phrase for the scavenger Hunt)

Introduction: (Show on Overhead)

Poem by Russell Kelfer (p. 25)

You are who you are for a reason.

You're part of an intricate plan.

You're a precious and perfect unique design,

Called God's special woman or man.

You look like you look for a reason.

Our God made no mistake.

He knit you together within the womb,

You're just what he wanted to make.

The parents you had were the ones he chose,

And no matter how you may feel,

They were custom-designed with God's plan in mind,

And they bear the Master's seal.

No, that trauma you faced was not easy.

And God wept that it hurt you so;

But it was allowed to shape you heart

So that into his likeness you'd grow

You are who you are for a reason,

You've been formed by the Master's rod.

You are who you are, beloved,

Because there is a God!

Activity:

Scavenger Hunt

Hand out summary after scavenger hunt

Discussion Points:

- God made no mistakes on you; therefore, always think highly of yourself. You are God's Masterpiece
- Do you best so that you can fill God's purpose, not so you can have lots of Bling! Bling! or to seek others' approval.
- Matthew 6:19-21 (CEV) – "Don't store up treasures on earth! Moths and rust can destroy them, and thieves can break in and steal them. Instead, store up treasures in heaven where moths and rust cannot destroy them, and thieves cannot break in and steal them. Your heart will always be where you treasure is."

PLD Scavenger Hunt Secret Phrase: Its not all about Me!

PLD Scavenger Hunt Secret Bonus: Its about God!

“Discovering God’s Purpose for Me”

Resource: Purpose Driven Life by Rick Warren

I. We were planned for God’s pleasure

- God did not need to create us, but he did not choose to create us for his enjoyment
- God enjoys us when we worship him by obeying him, trusting him, surrender to him, and use our God-given abilities.

II. We were formed for God’s family

- Life is all about Love and Fellowship
- The best expression of love is time. Time is your most precious gift because you only have a set amount of it
- Biblical fellowship includes encouraging each other, supporting each other, respecting our differences, and not gossiping

III. We were created to become like Christ

- God’s ultimate goal for your life on earth is not comfort, but character development
- To become like Christ and to build character we must get rid of some old routines, develop some new habits, and intentionally change the way we think

IV. We were shaped for serving God

- You were put on earth to make a contribution
- You weren’t created just to consume resources: to eat, breathe, and take up space.
- God designed you to make a difference
- We all have a unique SHAPE
 - **Spiritual Gifts:** God empowered abilities for serving him
 - **Heart:** Bundle of desires, hopes, interests, ambitions, dreams, and affections; source of motivation
 - **Abilities:** Natural talents at birth
 - **Personality:** Affects how and where you use your spiritual gifts
 - **Experience:** Molds you; What you do with what happens to you

V. Made for a Mission

- God is at work in the world and he wants you to join him!
- God wants to say something to the world through you!

Reflective Question: How would the world be different if you weren’t born?