

Part **1**

Why am I Here?

This past weekend Pastor Ken started a new series entitled, *Explore God*. We are joining 150 churches in the Bay Area to look at some of the biggest questions people have. Over these weeks, we invite you to journey with someone at work, your family, or find a place to do it alone or with a friend. Let's grow and do life together during this series.

Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. *1 Corinthians 13:13 NLT*

- 1. The first question has to do with purpose, why are we here, why do we exist (read Ecclesiastes 1:14; Romans 11:36; and Philippians 3:13-14). The power of purpose takes your activity and turns it into productivity. It takes your energy, time, resources, creativity, and life and focuses it so that you can leave a mark on the world. What would you like to be remembered for after you are gone?
- 2. When you focus on your purpose there is power to overcome temptation, difficulties, criticism, and distractions. Is there something in your past that you need to let go of so you can look forward to a fuller and more meaningful life because of your hope in Christ?
- 3. To find out why you exist, the starting point begins with God. You were made for God. He gave you your mind, body, personality, abilities, and the passion that you have. He made you for a reason, so if you want to know why you are here, it means getting to know the God who has made you (read Colossians 1:16-17). What are you passionate about?
- 4. Pastor Ken gave the church a challenge this weekend. Start your day with a simple prayer where you say this day doesn't belong to me, it belongs to you. Show me how to live this day in a way that brings honor and glory to you.

Close in prayer