

Knowing Your Purpose

Nothing in life can take the place of knowing your purpose. If you don't try to discover your purpose, you're likely to spend your life doing the wrong things.

Speaking on this subject, John C. Maxwell – a nationally recognized authority on bringing biblical principles to leadership and personal objectives – said he believes that God created every person for a purpose. Writing in *Leadership Promises for Your Week*, Maxwell quoted Viktor Frankl, psychologist, who said: “Everyone has his own specific vocation or mission in life ... Thus everyone's task is as unique as his specific opportunity to implement it.”

And Maxwell added to that statement, “Each of us has a purpose for which we were created. Our responsibility – and our joy – is to identify it.”

Here are some questions Maxwell posed to ask yourself and to help you identify your purpose:

- *For what am I searching?* All of us have a strong desire set in our hearts, something that speaks to our deepest thoughts and feelings, something that sets our souls on fire.
- *Why was I created?* Think about the unique mix of abilities you have, the resources available to you, your own personal history, and the opportunities around you.
- *When do I start?* The answer to that question is NOW.



Perhaps most of us in Life Care, Century Park and Life Care at Home have already dealt with those questions and settled them in our minds. We have a mission that is clearly defined. We have come to understand our purpose, and we are engaged in answering that strong desire within.

What a blessing those realizations are!

For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them (Ephesians 2:10).

– Beecher Hunter