

Day 4

Scripture

Then the Lord answered me and said: "Write the vision and make it plain on tablets, that he may run who reads it."

Habakkuk 2:2

Reflect

Living with purpose is one of God's highest priorities for us. He desires for you to clearly understand His vision, plan, and purpose for your life. In fact, Habakkuk 2:2 tells us to write the plans in simple and clear fashion.

So far this week we discussed three important aspects of understanding God's plan for our lives: one, praying for God's wisdom; two, discovering how to partner with Him; three, clearly writing goals and action steps. A practical way to do this is by writing a Life Plan. Over the next two days, we will help you create a basic Life Plan you can periodically adjust as God gives you more direction.

Step 1: At the end of this lesson or on your computer, list five to seven key areas in your life you want to grow related to God's direction, purpose, and plan.

Consider areas such as your:

- Relationship with God
- Relationships with others
- Health
- Finances
- Career
- Church involvement

Step 2: Once you've made your list, write a purpose statement for each key area. For example, in the area of friends, you might write something like: "My purpose is to develop a few godly friendships to encourage, support, and help me grow in God's plan for my life." Take time to pray over each area before writing the purpose statement.

Day 5

Scripture

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Habakkuk 2:2

Reflect

God's vision and plan for your life can only be achieved through *knowing* where you are now, *where* you want to go, and *how* you plan to get there.

Today continue writing your Life Plan. Here are a few more steps to help bring clarity and direction to your God-given purpose.

Step 3: Review your key areas and each general-purpose statement. Now, write the overall goal for each area. Include one or two scriptures for each category. For example, in the area of your relationship with God you might write something like: "My relationship with God is growing stronger every day as I spend time reading the Bible, praying, and connecting with my small group and church family."

Step 4: Once you've written your goal, write two to three specific action steps in each area. The more measurable your action steps, the more you can define your progress. For example, in the area of your health, you might write something like: "Walk at least 10,000 steps five days a week and record it in my app." Create small, measurable steps that help you feel success along the way.

Step 5: Now it's time to put your plan into action! Review and adjust it as you continue to spiritually mature and receive more clarity from God. Be patient with your progress, stay intentional, and celebrate the small wins. Remember, this is not your plan, but God's plan for you. Partner with Him each day as you live out your new Life Plan.

