

# Healthy Purpose

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*"I am coming to you now, but I say these things while I am still in the world, so that they may have the full measure of my joy within them. <sup>14</sup>I have given them your word and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world. <sup>15</sup>My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. <sup>16</sup>They are not of the world, even as I am not of it. <sup>17</sup>Sanctify them by the truth; your word is truth. <sup>18</sup>As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world. <sup>19</sup>For them I sanctify myself, that they too may be truly sanctified. <sup>20</sup>My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, <sup>21</sup>that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me." (John 17:13-21 NIV)*

## **Jesus gives us a purpose and mission apart from the world.**

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*"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." (1 Peter 4:10 NIV)*

## **Jesus' mission and purpose now becomes our mission and purpose.**

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*"When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, 'Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?' <sup>12</sup>On hearing this, Jesus said, 'It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. <sup>13</sup>But go and learn what this means: "I desire mercy, not sacrifice." For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners.'" (Matthew 9:11-13 NIV)*

## **The Christian life will not make sense until we choose to live on mission.**

*"...that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you..." (John 17:21 NIV)*

*"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." (Matthew 28:19-20 NIV)*