

As It Hath Pleased Him

1Corinthians 12:18

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WHY YOU ARE WHAT YOU ARE:

1. Because you were born that way (1 Corinthians 4:7).
2. Because of environment (Psalm 16:6).
3. Because of your own decisions (Proverbs 13:20).
4. Because Jesus Christ can change anybody. (John 3:7, John 5:24, 2 Cor 5:17).

I. OUR PREDESTINATION

- A. **The Calling Wherein We Are Called (1Corinthians 7:20-24)**
- B. **According to the Good Pleasure of His Will (Ephesians 1:3-5, 8-11)**
- C. **To the Praise of the Glory of His Grace (Ephesians 1:6-7, 12-14)**
 - **Not boasting in our own righteousness (Philippians 3:5-9).**

II. OUR PRAISE

- A. **Gifted According to His Pleasure (1Corinthians 4:5-7)**

III. OUR PURPOSE

- A. **Set to Ministry According to the Grace of God (Rom. 12:3-8; Ephesians 4:7-8; 1Peter 4:10-11)**
- B. **According to the Needs Determined by God (1Corinthians 12:15-17)**

IV. GOD'S PROVIDENCE

- A. **Working All Things Together for Good (Romans 8:28; Ecclesiastes 3:11)**
- B. **Conforming Us to the Image of God (Romans 8:29-30; 2Corinthians 3:18)**

V. GOD'S PLEASURE

- A. **The Purpose for Which We Were Created**
 1. All created for the pleasure of God (Revelation 4:11)
 2. All things made for Himself (Proverbs 16:4)
 3. All created for the glory of God (Isaiah 43:7)