

DAY 12 - Acts 17:24-29 - Seeking And Following God's Plan

"The God who made the world and everything in it — He is Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in shrines made by hands. Neither is He served by human hands, as though He needed anything, since He Himself gives everyone life and breath and all things. From one man He has made every nationality to live over the whole earth and has determined their appointed times and the boundaries of where they live. He did this so *they might seek God*, and perhaps *they might reach out and find Him*, though He is not far from each one of us. For *in Him we live and move and exist*, as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we are also His offspring.' Being God's offspring then, we shouldn't think that the divine nature is like gold or silver or stone, an image fashioned by human art and imagination."

How to answer the call?

God created everything we see, feel or touch without any help or assistance. He used His spoken words to bring everything into existence. His plan and purpose were set and done before the world existed, in which He included you. He went as far as pre-appointing your time and the boundaries of your dwellings (Act 17:26).

Your existence is not an accident. There isn't any other person in this world with your specifics and particularities. You are original. You are part of the divine plan of God. His plan is for your personal life, family, surrounding community, church, state, country and all the extremity of the earth where He predetermined you will reach. God has called you.

You might be wondering he called me to what? Or perhaps, you know His calling for your life but you are wondering How do I answer this call?

He gives you a blueprint that says: "seek him and you will find Him if you seek Him with all your heart". A blueprint is a road map.

Seeking for anything requires action. Answering the call consist of following the blueprint where God says *in Him*, we live and move and have our being.

Let's be practical about the blueprint and seeking God.



Develop a game plan of how you'll take action.

In Him we live and move:

Be intentional! Spend some quality time in prayer before the Lord. Talk to Him about your life, situation, family, health everything you would want to communicate to a best friend. Pray like your life depends on Him (because it does) then you will spend some quality time before your maker.

Study the word of God to know what God says, all your answers are in His Word. He desires each of us to seek Him out. This is the action we all must take. We seek out friend relationships, love relationships...why not our relationship with God.

You will miss a lot by a quick browsing of the word. Set a time just to read the word; this takes discipline. Then a time to study the word. Be encouraged by listening to praise and worship songs. These times can very well fit into ones daily schedule. Start small and you will desire to build up the time because you will be encountering the living God.

<u>In Him</u> we have our being: This is where you surrender to His Lordship. In other words, you get into a partnership with the Holy Spirit. This is where you learn to understand how the Holy Spirit communicates:

Is it thru soaking in praise and worship, visions, dreams, studying the word or while driving to work?

As your relationship begins to grow deep, you will become familiar with God's ways whenever he wants you to spend time with Him, pray for someone, your family, your boss or your neighbor.

God wants to develop an intimate relationship with you to the point that your calling will begin to unfold. You will find Him, when you seek Him with your whole heart...
...Though He is not far from each of us.

God doesn't want something from us, He simply wants us. C. S. Lewis