

Assignment Matters!

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“I know that everything God does will endure forever; nothing can be added to it and nothing taken from it. God does it so that people will fear him”
(Ecclesiastes 3:14).

God has given many of assignments they wouldn't have chosen. Be honest, do you see your assignment as small as insignificant? Do you feel like you have been cheated? Maybe you think God gave others a more important assignment or your current assignment is to something that is painful or difficult.

Maybe you've been assigned to:

- singleness longer than you would like
- in a marriage but you wish you were single
- work with people who don't appreciate you
- in a job where you won't be promoted
- live in a city you dislike
- a stay at home mom though you wish you were a working mother
- a working mother but wish you were a stay-at-home mom
- childlessness

“Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it” (1 Corinthians 12:27).

To overcome disappointment and even experience joy, you must look at your God-given assignment through God's lens—the lens of eternity. You must look past the here and now and consider how your assignment will ripple into heaven, even if you can't see its impact now.

When you have an eternal perspective about your temporary earthly assignment, what seems meaningless and futile, frustrating and worthless can become something sacred.

Could it be that your assignment is more purposeful, more sacred, and more holy than you could possibly imagine? Could it be that the eternal destinies of generations of people could be changed because you are faithful to your assignment, no matter how small?

God has placed you in your assignment at this time for a reason you do not comprehend. Don't count your assignment as unimportant or measure its value through a temporal lens, for you will not be seeing clearly. Look at it through God's eyes, who doesn't waste the impact of one of His children. All of His

children have important assignments—all of them. There is not one that doesn't matter.

“. . . *the LORD's plans stand firm forever; his intentions can never be shaken*” (Psalm 33:11).

Prayer: Lord Jesus, you are sovereign and all-knowing. You do all things according to your eternal purposes and love. Thank you that my life has meaning and purpose because of you. Amen.

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