

# YOU HAVE A JOB TO DO

*Bring it on.*

**MONDAY**

*Groovy, it's*

**TUESDAY**

Be ...

## industrious

**So, here's the story ...**

God decided to reveal Himself in a very unique way when He met with Moses to tell him He had a special job for him to do. Moses was herding sheep when he came across a bush that was on fire — but wasn't burning up. Then, from the bush, Moses could hear God talking to him.

God said He heard the cry of His people, who were slaves in Egypt. He wanted to send Moses to rescue them from the Pharaoh's oppression.

Moses was worried the people would not believe he was there to save them from their Egyptian masters.

God said He would do wondrous signs to convince them.

Moses didn't think he was able to do the job and asked God to send someone else. God said He would send Aaron, the brother of Moses, as a helper.

Moses and Aaron gathered the elders of the Israelites and told them what God had said. They also performed the signs God showed Moses to convince them.

They believed the brothers and they worshipped God for hearing their cries for help.

**Read the story for yourself in Exodus 3-4**

### Take it to God

Just like He did for the Israelites, God hears your prayers, too. If you are sincerely seeking Him, He will respond.

"Now I know that the Lord saves His anointed; He will answer him from His holy heaven with the saving strength of His right hand."  
(Psalm 20:6)

Halfway there  
**WEDNESDAY**

A.M.

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Noon

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P.M.

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Eve

You wanna be ...

**goal-oriented**  
determined; resourceful;  
aspiring; enterprising;  
diligent; fastidious

or

**aimless**  
purposeless; pointless;  
unfocused; hollow;  
meaningless; futile

'Before I formed  
you in the womb I  
knew you,  
before you  
were born  
I set you apart; ...'

**Jeremiah 1:5**

Throw your hands up  
**THURSDAY**

A.M.

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Noon

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P.M.

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Eve

*Make a difference ...*

**Step up:**

Make a list of as many things as you can think of that you are good at. Then make another list of things that you really like to do or want to do. Now, look at both lists side by side. Circle the items you find that are on both of those lists. Ask God to create opportunities to use you in those areas. You can work on getting better at them and/or learn more about those things, and know you'll probably be pretty successful at them (since God gave you those talents and desires). One or two might even direct you to a specific purpose God has in mind for you.

**Take it up a notch:**

Now that you have a direction to look into, look at professions or jobs that fit well with those gifts. See what ways you can learn and practice those skills.

*Poll your friends ...*

Do you know what you want to be when you grow up?

**Yes**

**No**

**God did lots of miraculous things on the earth.  
Read about one of them here:**

Exodus 3:2



**FRIDAY**

*Finale*

**Sharing a goal  
is just one way  
God shows love**

**WEEKEND**

*WoodHoo!*

**A.M.**

**Sat.**

**Noon**

Wandering aimlessly through life seems to me like a very unfulfilling — and boring — way to live. Everybody knows that wonderful feeling of achievement when they have successfully managed to finish a difficult task or create something beautiful.

God knows that feeling, and that's probably one of the reasons He put that desire in us.

A sense of purpose has been instilled in us completely by His design.

That was His objective. He has a particular way He wants things to go, and He is so cool to let us be partners in that.

By including us in His plans, we are fellow stake-

holders and beneficiaries of the resulting celebration to come when it's done. I don't know about you, but I bet God throws one seriously cool party.

You have to remember, God is big enough, powerful enough, and capable enough to achieve anything and everything He wants without our help.

That's what makes it so much more special that He's assigned us things we can do to be involved in His grand plan.

He didn't have to, He wanted to — just another neat way He uses to show us He loves us.

He finds ways to include us all the time. Can you think of ways to include Him in your life each day?

*Did you know?*

**Did you know that your purpose is not just one big project? Most things are likely going to be small or simple, and may seem insignificant. But, make no mistake, they will be key players in moving along God's plan.**

**As an example of small, but important: Think of the common, ordinary donut hole. People love donuts and the holes they leave behind.**

**Most of us wouldn't want to live a world without them. But, did you know that creating that hole was a necessary maneuver to get that tasty treat to cook properly?**

**Hmm.**

**Small thing = big deal.**

**Sun.**

**Eve**

# So, let's wrap it up



Vicky's  
View

Hand-selected.

Just think about that for a minute.

You were created and chosen especially for a purpose.

God chose you.

And not just for any purpose either, one that you were tailor-made to accomplish.

Picture this, if you will, God was the very first one at your baby shower — at the very moment you were conceived in your mom's womb. And He brought some custom-made presents just for you — they were the gifts and talents He put inside you. Those gifts and talents in you are super-charged (anointed) with His intention and stamp of approval toward His will.

Powerful stuff.

If you don't serve your purpose with those gifts and God has to get some-

one else to do it, it will never be quite the same as He intended it to be through you.

That alone should tell you how much God loves and cares for you, granting such a special objective directly into your hands.

You.

He knows your name.

He knows your life.

He knows your struggles.

He knows your weaknesses.

He knows your heart.

He knows what He created you for.

He knows how many tears you've cried and how many hairs are growing on your head.

He sees you.

You are not invisible.

He made His purpose for you a desire of your heart.

It's a bond you two can navigate together.

So, searching out your purpose is a natural part of

your journey.

In Proverbs 16:9, it says, "A man's mind plans his way [as he journeys through life], But the Lord directs his steps and establishes them." I don't claim to know all God's reasons for what He does, but some things seem pretty evident.

From what I see, His will for you to achieve your purpose is not intended to put some overwhelming pressure on you to do great feats or to force you into obligations you aren't ready for.

But He does expect you to make good use of what He's given.

There is a job to do that's crucial.

It's an opportunity and a goal to include you — to make you part of something bigger.

It's just how family behaves.

It's a way He can show you how much you mean

to Him, and how He wants you to be an active participant in His life.

When someone loves you, they want you around.

They want to be able to share in your day, and have you share in theirs.

Love is meant to be interactive.

God's love is perfect.

Everything He does comes from love.

Stay close to Him; He is your protector, your strength, your comfort.

Trust Him to show you why He put you here.

In John 10:10, Jesus said, "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly."

Your life is important to Him. And so are the lives of the lost. Shine on.

*Ponder this:*

**Have you prayed every day this week?**

*Time to take charge of your life:*

**\_\_\_\_\_ has been bugging me lately, bringing me down. What can I do to change that? Do I need help from someone else? Who?**

*Something good that happened this week was:*

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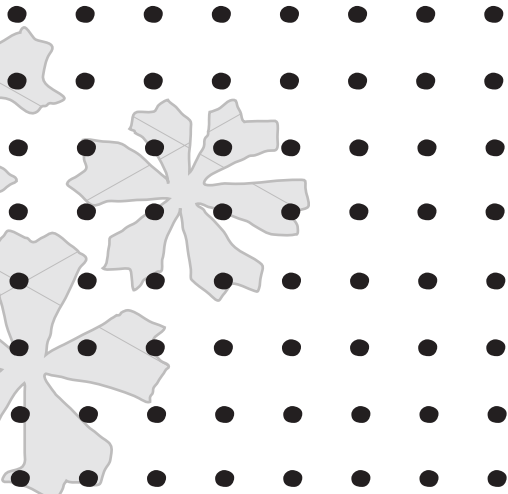
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*Let's read:*

**Exodus 3-4**

# Claiming the promised land

To play, connect two adjacent (next to each other) dots. Take turns with your opponent. If you complete a square, you get another turn. The one with the most squares at the end of the game wins.

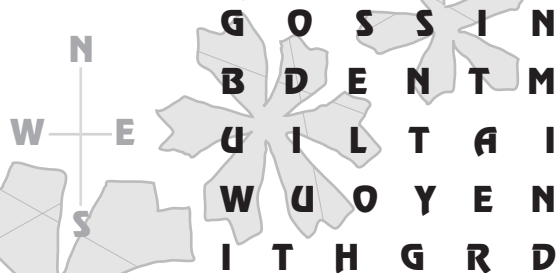


You are ...

**smart**

# Wandering the wilderness

Make your way along the words to make a sentence. Your journey will form one single path. You can only go north, south, east, or west and the path must never cross over itself. Start at the northwest corner and finish at the southeast corner.




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# Matthew 7:7

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| MOSES    | GOD        | DELIVER  |
| FLOCK    | BURN       | MILK     |
| JETHRO   | BUSH       | HONEY    |
| MIDIAN   | OPPRESSION | PHAROAH  |
| DESERT   | EGYPT      | CHILDREN |
| MOUNTAIN | PEOPLE     | ISRAEL   |

# Doodle Box



# Discover

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