

# Your Purpose Statement

## Chazown - Part 4

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*"Where there is no **vision**, the people perish."* Proverbs 29:18 (KJV)

*"Where there is no **chazown**, the people perish."* Proverbs 29:18 (KJV)

*Where there **IS vision**, the people **thrive!***

**Your Purpose Statement = a one-sentence summary of God's Chazown for your life expressed in words that greatly motivate you to pursue it for Him.**

### How God uses words ...

*"Then God **said**, 'Let there be light,' and there was light."* Genesis 1:3 (NLT)

*"Jesus answered, 'It is **written** ...'"* Matthew 4:4 (NIV)

*"If you openly **declare** that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved."* Romans 10:9 (NLT)

*"The **tongue** can bring death or life."* Proverbs 18:21 (NLT)

Words have power!

Words create worlds!

### When you can name God's chazown for your life, you can **pursue** it!

You are 42% more likely to achieve your goals if they are written down. (Dr. Gail Matthews, University of California)

### When you can name God's chazown for your life, you can **prioritize** it!

If the devil can't make you bad, he'll just make you busy.

No

*Will saying 'yes' to this invitation help me live out my Chazown?*

### Five indicators you're heading in the right direction with your purpose statement:

- **It's going to glorify God!**

*"<sup>10</sup>God has given each of you a gift from His great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another. <sup>11</sup>Do you have the gift of speaking? Then speak as though God himself were speaking through you. Do you have the gift of helping others? Do it with all the strength and energy **that God supplies**. Then everything you do will **bring glory to God** through Jesus Christ. **All glory and power to Him forever and ever!** Amen." 1 Peter 4:10-11 (NLT)*

- **It's going to require God!**

God will never give you more than you can handle.  
God will OFTEN give you more than you can handle.  
So you'll depend on Him.

*"We now have this light shining in our hearts, but we ourselves are like fragile clay jars containing this great treasure. This makes it clear that our great power is from God, not from ourselves." 2 Corinthians 4:7 (NLT)*

- **It's going to be met with great resistance.**

- **It's going to bless other people!**

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1 Corinthians 12:7, 29-31, 1 Corinthians 13, 1 Corinthians 14:4, 12, 18-19, 26

- **It's going to bring you great joy!**

Romans 5:1-5, James 1:2-4, John 10:10, Ephesians 2:10

### **Would you put in the time to wrestle with God and ask Him to show you His chazown for your life?**

*"<sup>27</sup>'What is your name?' the man asked. He replied, 'Jacob.'<sup>28</sup>'Your name will no longer be Jacob,' the man told him. 'From now on you will be called Israel, because you have fought with God and with men and have won.'" Genesis 32:27-28 (NLT)*

Jacob = Usurper, to take what isn't yours  
Israel = Wrestles with God, triumphant with God  
God gave Jacob a new name and a new chazown for his life.

God wants you to wrestle with Him, so He can bless you like no one else can, and show you His chazown for your life.

### **Examples of other people's chazown:**

- To live free and lead others to freedom!
- To train children to become uncompromised disciples of Christ!
- To passionately encourage others to recognize the gifts that God has given them, so they believe in themselves!
- To develop the talents of my coworkers to their fullest extent by identifying and helping meet their developmental needs!
- To foster relationships among men by creating opportunities for them to connect in the wilderness!
- To develop strong families by modeling the biblical example of home life for foster children!
- To disciple a thousand women!
- I have a dream to write a series of children's books to help make bedtime a lasting memory!
- I have a dream that our marriage would bring about generations of strong ministry-minded Christians who help change the world!
- I have a dream that involves reaching millions of youth and connecting their hearts with the heart of Christ to reach future generations!
- I have a dream for my children to marry godly spouses!
- To build godly relationships with students that invite them to know God and make God known by meeting them where they are.
- I have a dream for kids to develop an understanding of who Jesus is and form a relationship that is built on authentic and simple faith.
- It is my greatest desire to help others discover how to become the person God wants them to be and to discover their mission field!
- That every person I interact with, through mentorship, leading, or simply passing, sees the Lord through me!
- Build up the lives of my family and God's family by loving and leading courageously!
- To help others know that there is life after addiction and to break the cycle of addiction in my own family!
- Leading and challenging others through impossible situations!
- To know Him, make Him known, and equip the believers for life and the work of the ministry!
- To boldly lead people and organizations to fulfill God's purpose for their lives!
- To let God use our family as an example to other families of what a Godly family can look like!