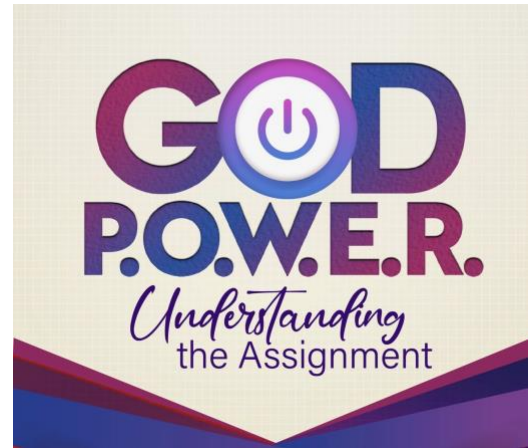


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2023 Focus: GOD P.O.W.E.R: Understanding The Assignment

“LET’S HAVE A FRESH START”

- ❖ The Bible specifically references time and beginnings.
- ❖ The first book in the Bible is called “Genesis,” the book of beginnings.
- ❖ Jesus Christ is referred to as the “author and finisher” of our faith in Hebrews 12:2.
- ❖ Jesus Christ refers to Himself as being “Alpha and Omega in Revelation 1:8.
- ❖ Jesus Christ refers to Himself as being “the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End” in Revelation 22:13.

A. Beginnings are incredibly important.

B. Nothing can be accomplished without a beginning.

C. Beginnings exist because of purpose.

D. Beginnings give meaning to life.

E. Beginnings lead to destiny.

Genesis 2:7–15 (NKJV)

⁷ And the Lord God formed man *of* the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being. ⁸ The Lord God planted a garden eastward in Eden, and there He put the man whom He had formed. ⁹ And out of the ground the Lord God made every tree grow that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The tree of life *was* also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. ¹⁰ Now a river went out of Eden to water the garden, and from there it parted and became four riverheads. ¹¹ The name of the first *is* Pishon; it *is* the one which skirts the whole land of Havilah, where *there is* gold. ¹² And the gold of that land *is* good. Bdelium and the onyx stone *are* there. ¹³ The name of the second river *is* Gihon; it *is* the one which goes around the whole land of Cush. ¹⁴ The name of the third river *is* Hiddekel; it *is* the one which goes toward the east of Assyria. The fourth river *is* the Euphrates. ¹⁵ Then the Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to tend and keep it.

1. Realize You Don't Need A Lot Of Possessions

- God Starts with Dirt/Dust
- We're Often Stuck Because We De-Value
- Starting With Less Eventually Shows the Divine

2. Recognize That You Need God's Power

- God Breathed on What Was Worthless
- God's Breath Represents Divine Spirit
- God's Breath Brings Something from Nothing

3. Resolve To Be Where You're Placed

- God Creates Your Place
- God Plants and Places
- God's Placement Beats Human Passions

4. Remember That You Have A Purpose

- God Can Give Clarity on Purpose
- God Provides When He Purposes

"5 M's of A Fresh Start"

- Management
- Memory Loss
- Movement
- Mindset
- Motivation