

Welcome Home



Welcome Home: A House of Purpose

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Speaker: Pastor Nina Schimdgall

Scripture: Genesis 1:26; 1 Peter 2:11; Philippians 3:19; Ephesians 1:11-12; Colossians 1:16; Deuteronomy 14:2; 1 Peter 2:9

Sermon Overview: Worship is a weapon, our secret weapon. It's the way we fight spiritual battles, shift the atmosphere, and prophesy our praise.

Sermon Series Questions:

1. What does it mean to seek The Lord?
2. What does worship and praise mean to you? What does that look like in your everyday life?

Sermon Specific Questions:

1. Pastor Nina said "in order to know our purpose, we have to know who we are." God makes it perfectly clear in Genesis 1:16 that "mankind was made in his image and likeness." The image of God, or Imago Dei, means that God designed men and women to reflect his characteristics. We were made to be intelligent, responsive, and capable of ruling and living in relationship with God and with other human beings. How does your character reflect the image of God in your workplace/school, at home and in your community? How are you utilizing your time, energy and resources to fulfill God's purpose in your life?
2. The great Corrie Ten Boom said "If you look at the world, you'll be distressed. If you look within, you'll be depressed. If you look at God you'll be at rest." Our path and purpose is that the earth would be filled with the glory of God. We won't be able to fulfill our purpose and discover life's meaning if we're constantly looking inward, taking our eyes off of God. Not

conforming to this world, makes us a peculiar people (Deut. 14:2). In what ways has “living on mission for God” made you different or feel out of place?

3. What does mutual responsibility look like in your life? Do you have brothers and/or sisters in Christ holding you accountable?

Digging Deeper:

- Watch Bible Project's [Image of God](#)

Practical Application:

- House of Prayer - meets Thursdays at 7:14 pm at Capital Turnaround. Join us every Thursday beginning Sept. 8 at Capital Turnaround. Visit ncc.re/houseofprayer for more details.
- Upper Room is a new community space dedicated solely to prayer. All are welcome. Upper Room prayer sets are at the Capital Turnaround (8th and L St. entrance).
- Join in Focused Prayer Set Times (visit times at ncc.re/hop):
 - Tuesdays, 9am in the Upper Room
 - Wednesdays: Virtually 7:14 am on [Upper Zoom](#) (use link to fill out the form and see dates) and 7:14am in person at Upper Room
 - Thursdays: 12pm visit times at ncc.re/hop
- Download the NCC app or visit ncc.re/daily to listen to short, daily teachings M-F accompanying this series.
- Join a small group ncc.re/groups to discover ways you can use your talents and passions to serve the various church campuses in-person and online.
- Make a Bible reading plan a daily discipline and connect with NCC Daily. (Download the [NCC app](#) to find our plan).