

# Blessed for a Purpose

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*God blesses you for certain reasons, including to help others or to support the work of God, and it's essential to recognize and fulfill His purpose.*

**Scripture:** Exodus 12:35, Esther 4:14, Proverbs 19:21, Malachi 3:10, 2 Corinthians 9:8, Ephesians 2:10

**Topics:** "Divine Purpose", "Faithful Stewardship"

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## Description

E.A. Adeboye emphasizes the importance of recognizing God's purpose in the blessings He bestows upon His children, highlighting that these blessings are not just for personal benefit but to fulfill a greater divine plan. Through the examples of Esther and the Israelites, he illustrates how God strategically places His children in positions of influence and prosperity to carry out His will and bring about salvation and restoration. Adeboye urges believers to seek God's guidance in understanding the purpose behind their blessings and to actively use their resources, skills, and positions to serve God and others, ensuring that they do not miss out on fulfilling their divine assignments.

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## Transcript

MEMORISE: 'And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work...' (2 Cor 9:8)

READ: Esther 4:10-17

God blesses his children for certain reasons. He never makes mistakes, because He is a careful planner. In Malachi 3:10, God promised to pour an overflow of blessings upon His faithful children. But why? He has a purpose for the extras. Many believers today are yet to recognize the purpose of God's blessing upon their lives. Some think that the good jobs they have are solely to benefit them and their immediate family. That is far from the truth. And as long as you fail to recognize God's purpose in giving you a job and blessing you financially, materially, intellectually and spiritually, you will surely abuse the privilege. Have you ever asked God, you will get to know why.

Esther, a Jewish slave girl was brought with others to the place at Shushan, through God's favour was selected as one of the candidates for queen when Vashti's position became vacant through disobedience. God allowed Esther to win that contest. But years later, persecution arose against God's people who were still slaves in the land. Initially Esther was silent and was on the verge of losing all her people. But her uncle reminded her that God had most probably made her queen to save the lives of the Jews. She rose

up and fulfilled God's purpose.

When the Israelites were leaving Egypt after spending over 400 years in slavery, God gave them special favour, to empty Egypt of all her gold and jewelery. This was partly to restore to Israel years of working without pay. But more than this, it was to give them the materials they needed much later to build the temple. Their ignorance led them to make the golden calf.

God has blessed you in one or more area. It could be to help others or to support the work of God. Whatever your purpose, find and fulfil it. Otherwise, like Vasthi, you will be replaced by somebody who will.

Esther rose up to use her office to save lives even if it cost her own life. She was successful, If you decide to use your wealth, position or education for God, no harm will befall you.

#### ACTION POINT

Ask God to reveal his purpose for blessing you

And help you to fulfil it to his glory.

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