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Lego and Live

The thief's purpose is to steal and kill and destroy. My purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life. John 10:10 (NLT)

A Life in Bondage ...

• to the <u>Rules</u>

In the past, the law held us like prisoners, Romans 7:6 (NCV)

You say, 'I am rich. I have everything I want. I don't need a thing!' And you don't realize that you are wretched and miserable and poor and blind and naked.

Revelation 3:17 (NLT)

to <u>Chaos</u>

In those days Israel had no king; all the people did whatever seemed right in their own eyes. Judges 17:6 (NLT)

²¹ Yes, they knew about him all right, but they wouldn't admit it or worship him or even thank him for all his daily care. And after awhile they began to think up silly ideas of what God was like and what he wanted them to do. The result was that their foolish minds became dark and confused. ²² Claiming themselves to be wise without God, they became utter fools instead. **Romans 1:21-22 (TLB)** Really Living is When We...

1. Recognize that God has chosen us

And so God makes it possible for you and us to stand firmly together with Christ. God is also the one who chose us 2 Corinthians 1:21 (CEV)

God, in his kindness, has taught me how to be an expert builder. I have laid the foundation and Apollos has built on it. But he who builds on the foundation must be very careful **1 Corinthians 3:10 (TLB)**

- 2. Work together in harmony
 - a. With God's plans and purposes

For I know the plans I have for you," says the LORD. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope. Jeremiah 29:11 (NLT)

b. With one another

⁴There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit is the source of them all. ⁵There are different kinds of service, but we serve the same Lord. ⁶God works in different ways, but it is the same God who does the work in all of us. ⁷A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other. **1 Corinthians 12:4-7 (NLT)**

My Next Step Today Is To...

- Accept God's invitation to become his chosen child so that I can be released from bondage and find life.
- Work in concert with the plans and purposes that God has for my life.
- Use the gifts that he has given me to build others up.
- Memorize and/or meditate on John 10:10