SERMON SERIES: DIFFERENT SPEAKER: SCOTT BECKENHAUER DATE: October 31, 2021

## **Key Line**

"Different Purpose."

## Introduction

This week we are continuing our Different series. Last week we talked about how Christians have a different home than this world and how we are called to live until we reach our heavenly home. Today we are going to continue the series by talking a Christian's purpose. God has designed a specific purpose for Christians that sets them apart from the rest of the world.

• What are some things that make you different from everyone else? (Hidden talents, birthplace, hobbies, etc.)

## Seek the Word

Read 1 Peter 2:21-24

- What does this passage tell us about how Jesus wants us to live?
- How does verse 24 say we are "healed"?
- What does verse 23 tell us about who Jesus is?

Read 1 Peter 3:15-16

- Why does this passage tell us to have gentleness and respect?
- What does this passage tell us about Jesus' heart for us?

#### Go Deeper

Do a short word study on one of these words from 1 Peter:

- Righteousness (2:24)
- Gentleness (3:15)
- Conscience (3:16)

Consider asking what the original meaning of the word was, what other translations of the Bible use for this word, and where else this word is used in Scripture. The Logos or Blue Letter Bible apps may be helpful for this.

# Talk About It

- How might our lives look different if we committed to showing people Jesus each day?
- What sort of things make it difficult to point people to Jesus?
- How can we work together to show people Jesus and point their lives to Him?
- What is one way you can commit to living out the purpose Jesus has for you this week?

### Wrap Up

*Reminder:* Our purpose is to show people Jesus and point their lives to Him.

*Challenge:* This week, spend a few minutes making a list of the people you see frequently. This list could be of family, friends, co-workers, people at the grocery store, etc. Each day this week,

commit to spending a few minutes in prayer asking God to help you point those people to Him when you see them.