



**Day #2**

Read Isaiah 64:8 and Psalm 138:8

According to these passages, who made each of us the way we are? Why?

Even if we don't understand for what purpose God made us as He did, what hopeful statement can we cling to?

Thank God that He has a purpose for your life, and that He has carefully fashioned you for that purpose. Thank Him that His love for you endures forever; that He will never abandon you, *the work of His hands*.

### **Day #3**

Read Romans 9:20-21 and Isaiah 45:9

These passages describe people who take issue with how God made them, and what role he expects them to play in his plans. To what are such people compared?

What warning do you see here?

Is there an area of your life where you find yourself saying (or wanting to...) "I don't think you know what you're doing, God."? Explain.

Confess to God how you're feeling. (He knows anyway...) Ask him to show you how He sees you. Thank Him, again, that He never leaves you.

### **Day #4**

Read Jeremiah 29:11 and Philippians 2:13

Many of us know that God has good plans for us, but we find it hard to act according to those plans. Why do you think this is so?

Identify one purpose that you know God has for you. Is it hard to follow through on purpose? Why or why not?

Is there any plan that you hope God doesn't have for you? What would your response be if that turned out to be God's plan?

Review the truths about God and his purposes that we've discovered so far this week. Which of them could serve as an encouragement to you in your (real or imagined) situation above?

Talk to God about His purposes for you, and your response. Tell him about soft and malleable areas in your life, and those that need to be. Thank Him for the honor of being part of His plan.