Your Mission in Life

(if you choose to accept it)

(When quoting scriptures, from the Rotherham Emphasized Bible New Testament, I will substitute the Hebrew word Yahshua for Jesus, Yahweh and Elohim for God and Anointed for Christ.)

Why am I here? What is my purpose in life? What is my mission? The purpose of our existence is not about going to school, getting a job, getting married, buying a house, saving money, retiring, vacationing and then dying. These events are necessary and they do give meaning to our lives but there is more. These stages of life are not to be confused with our individual missions, commissioned by Yahweh and Christ, which we have been called out to perform. Most Christians, I believe, would except their commission if they knew what their mission was. Defining someone's mission in life is our purpose for this article. Christ anointed you with holy spirit to

(Fill in task to perform)

Adam and Eve's mission was to be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it. Yahweh had given them authority over all of the earth but they rebelled against His commission. The mission of mankind had to be changed because sin and the spiritual forces of wickedness took their place with mankind. The war against darkness wages on until the adversary, death and sheol are thrown into the Lake of Fire (Rev. 20). Until then, our mission is to be the hands, feet and mouth of Christ, who is our Head. What was the mission of Yahshua?

"The spirit of Yahweh is upon me, Because He did anoint me; To proclaim good news to the poor, Sent me to heal the broken of heart, To proclaim to captives deliverance, And to blind receiving of sight, To send away the bruised with deliverance, To proclaim the acceptable year of Yahweh" (Luke 4:18,19). We see that Yahweh anointed Yahshua to proclaim, heal and deliver the lost sheep of the house of Israel. Yahshua anointed Paul to, "... to open their eyes, to turn them from darkness to light, and from the authority of the adversary unto Yahweh, for their receiving forgiveness of sins, and a lot among those having been sanctified, by faith that is toward me" (Acts 26:17-19). Even during the Great Tribulation the message is the same, "And I saw another messenger flying in mid-heaven, having good news age-abiding to proclaim to those dwelling upon the earth, and to every nation, and tribe, and tongue, and people, saying in a great voice, 'Fear ye Yahweh, and give to Him glory, because come did the hour of His judgment, and bow ye before Him who did make the heaven, and the land, and sea, and fountains of waters" (Rev. 14:6,7). Yahweh's will [mission] is to have all men saved and to come unto a knowledge of the truth (I Tim. 4:4). We all have individually been called to participate, in some special way, to accomplish this task, which is at hand, which is our purpose.

We as Christians were dead in trespasses and sin and now have all been delivered out of the authority of the darkness (Eph. 2:1, Col. 1:13). We have been called (invited, chosen) by Yahweh and the Lord Yahshua Christ to be part of the team, the Body of the Christ; "And we have known that to those loving Yahweh all things do work together for good, to those who are **called according to purpose**; because whom He did **foreknow**, He also did **fore-appoint**, **conformed to the image of His Son**, that he might be first-born among many brethren; and whom He did **fore-appoint**, these also He did **call**; and whom He did **call**, these also He declared righteous; and whom He declared righteous, these also He did glorify" (Rom.8:28-30). Paul was called to be an apostle (Rom. 1:1). Each one of us has been called, by Christ, to be an ____(your position)______ (Rom. 1:6). There is one Body but many members.

"For as in one body we have many members, and all the members have not the same office, so we, the many, one body are in Christ, and members each one of one another. And having **gifts**, different according to the grace that was given to us" (Rom. 12:4-6). Each one of us has been given a gift for the benefit of the Body of Christ and for the benefit of natural man. This gift or gifts that we have been given, when utilized, will one way or another help accomplish the mission that Christ Yahshua has been given by our Father. The Lord distributes the ministries, while Yahweh sets the members, each one of them in the Body even as He pleased (I Cor. 12:5,18). Yahweh energizes all things (I Cor. 12:6). Your position (function), in the Body of the Christ, has been determined by Yahweh. It is available to seek a greater gift or serve Christ in a greater capacity (I Cor. 12:31). A good example, of a disciple of Christ desiring a greater gift would be Phillip in the book of Acts. He began his mission being anointed with holy spirit, then got promoted to waiting on tables and finally promoted to evangelist. But you ask, "What is my job of jobs in the Body of the Christ?" Lets start the unveiling (revelation) process.

How did Paul discover his function in the Body of the Christ? He asked Yahshua and Yahshua told him. "What shall I do, Lord? and the Lord said unto me, Having risen, go on to Damascus, and there it shall be told you concerning all things that have been appointed for you to do" (Acts 22:10). First we must ask the Lord and then be willing to obey his call. How about Mary Magdalene? "And certain women, who were healed of evil spirits and infirmities, Mary who is called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone forth, and Joanna wife of Chuza, steward of Herod, and Susanna, and many others, who were ministering to him from their substance" (Luke 82,3). Remember the man who had a legion of demons abiding in him? Yahshua told him what to do. "And the man from whom the demons had gone forth was beseeching of him to be with him, and Yahshua sent him away, saying, "Turn back to your house, and tell how great things Yahweh did to you;' and he went away through all the city proclaiming how great things Yahshua did to him (Luke 8:38,39). We have the spirit of Yahweh in us. We can know and understand spiritual matters given to us by the Spirit (Yahweh), to our spirit (I Cor. 2:9-15). We also have members in the Body of the Christ who operate by holy spirit who can help us (Eph. 4:11).

Christ will or has told you your function or functions in His Body. Ask and it shall be given, seek and it shall be found, knock and it will be opened. This is a promise from our Father.

Think of the Body of Christ as a huge family run corporation with thousands of branches and divisions and hundred of thousands of employees (sisters and brothers). Their jobs all differ and all of the members are necessary. When someone reports in sick or does not do their job the company suffers. The task at hand will take longer to accomplish when the members are not pulling their own load. You can enter the family business as a go-fer and rise to be president. "And there entered a reasoning among them, this, Who may be greater of them? and Yahshua having seen the reasoning of their heart, having taken hold of a child, set him beside himself, and said to them, 'Whoever may receive this child in my name, did receive me, and whoever may receive me, did receive Him who sent me, for he who is least among you all—he shall be great" (Luke 9:46-48). Seeking greatness by serving in love is fine by Yahweh and is recommended because there is coming a New Kingdom, which will have many new positions available.

The New Kingdom will be on earth and there will be as many jobs available there as this earth presently has. How we are laboring in love now on this earth will determine our position in this New Earth, which will last 1000 years and be ruled by Christ (Rev. 20, Is 35). Rewards will be handed out. "For, the Son of Man is about to come in the glory of his Father, with his messengers, and then he will <u>reward</u> each, according to his work" (Matt. 16:27).

How do you determine your job or function in the Body of the Christ? Someone called it "heartburn." What desire (longing to serve) is burning in your heart? Many times we have good ideas and tell the leadership but your desire is not their desire so you do nothing. Take the burning, which is on your heart, and accomplish the task. Yahweh and the Lord have probably put that desire on your heart in the first place; it is a calling. If you do not have any burning in your heart, seek the Lords guidance for what he wants you to do by his word and by revelation. What are your long suits? What skills and gifts has Yahweh blessed you with? If you desire to work in a prison ministry but there isn't one, start one. Volunteer your gifts to a fellowship, church or ministry. Attached is a chart that has five categories of responsibilities to Yahweh. Which categories interest you? Choose the job or jobs and get to work. The Lord is waiting and is excited by your greater commitment to serve in love.

Yahweh and Christ's Job Sheet

Responsibility to Our Father	Responsibility to Self	Responsibility to Family	Responsibility to Believers	Responsibility to Unbelievers
1.) Worship 2.) Obedience	 1.) Pray 2.) Study Father's Word 3.) Fellowship with our Father and our Lord 	1.) Wife or Husband 2.) Children 3.) Parents 4.) Others	1.) Build up 2.) Prayer 3.) Financially 4.) Rebuke 5.) Exhort 6.) Reprove 7.) Heal 8.) Prophesy 9.) Demons cast out 10.)Teach 11.)Comfort	 Proclaim the Glad-Message Witness Prayer Heal Cast our demons Walk Upright Outreach
			Ministries 1.) Money 2.) Voluntary 3.) Pray	Ministries 1.) Prisons 2.) Foreign Countries
			4.) Start One	3.) Streets