

Christ Church Freemantle

Sunday 4th October – 17th Sunday after Trinity

Faith

We were planned for God's pleasure.

The moment we were born into this world, God was there as an unseen witness, smiling at our birth. He wanted us alive, and our arrival gave him great pleasure. God did not need to create us but he chose to create us for his own enjoyment. We exist for his benefit, his glory, his purpose and his delight.



Bringing enjoyment to God, living for his pleasure, is the first purpose of our life. When we fully understand this truth, we will never again have a problem with feeling insignificant. If we are that important to God, and he considers us valuable enough to keep with him for all eternity, what greater significance could we have? We are children of God and we bring pleasure to God like nothing else he has ever created.

One of the greatest gifts God has given us is the ability to enjoy pleasure. He has wired us with the five senses and emotions, so we can experience it. He wants us to enjoy life, not just endure it. The reason we are able to enjoy pleasure is that God made us in his own image.

We therefore need to celebrate all that life can give us, praising God for every moment of joy and happiness

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