

God's love is the reason and purpose for all things.



WHY DID GOD MAKE THIS WONDERFUL WORLD FOR YOU TO ENJOY?—So you'd know that He loves you. Why did He want you to know He loves you?—Because He wants you to love Him. God made you to love because He needed someone to love.

What is the whole duty of man?—Solomon says it in Ecclesiastes: “Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep His commandments: for this is the whole duty of man” (Ecclesiastes 12:13 KJV). But Jesus boiled it down to something even simpler: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart” and “love your neighbor as yourself” (Matthew 22:37–39). Jesus made it a more personal loving relationship between Him and you and others. Instead of “fear God,” He said, “love the Lord.” Instead of just “keep the commandments,” He said, “love your neighbor as yourself.” In this is fulfilled “all the Law and the Prophets” (Matthew 22:40).

You'll never be able to enjoy life to the full without Him, because He has created your heart with a vacancy, a hollowness, an emptiness, an aching void that only He can fill. He saved one spot in your heart, the very core of your life, for Himself. He created you to love Him. You're His creation, you're His child, and He wants you!