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Why were you created? Not just your specific calling or purpose in this life, but why did God, who is perfect, choose to create humanity at all? When we hear that God is perfect, we often think of moral perfection, that He is without sin. That is absolutely true. But the word “perfect” also carries a deeper meaning: lacking nothing, fully complete, entirely sufficient in Himself. God is not dependent on anything or anyone. He has no unmet needs, no emptiness to fill. So, if God needs nothing, why create us?

The answer is both simple and astonishing: because He desired to. Creation was not driven by necessity, but by love. God did not make humanity to complete Himself, but to express Himself. To share His love, His goodness, and His glory. That means your existence is not an accident or an afterthought. You were wanted. Before anything was made, God desired a relationship with you.

One of the most beautiful ways to understand this desire is through the idea of family. There are three ways that a person can enter into a family: birth, adoption, and marriage. What’s amazing is that God, in His love, brings us into His family through all three.

We are born into His family through baptism. This new birth is not something we earn; it is a gift, an invitation into a completely new identity.

We are adopted into God’s family. Adoption is a powerful image because it highlights choice. A child who is adopted is intentionally chosen and brought into a family with full rights and a belonging. In the same way, God adopts us through His Spirit, calling us children of God!

Finally, we are brought in through marriage. Christ is the bridegroom, and His people are His bride. This points forward to a future union, a celebration of complete and eternal relationship with Him. Marriage represents deep intimacy, commitment, and joy. It shows that God doesn’t just want proximity with us. He desires closeness, unity, and love that lasts forever.

So why were you created? Not because God needed you, but because He wanted you. You exist because of His desire for relationship. And that truth reshapes everything. You are not here by chance. You are here because a perfect, all-sufficient God chose you, pursued you, and made a way for you to be part of His family. Completely, permanently, and lovingly.

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