***JON’S SERMON OUTLINE….***

WHAT GOD WANTS TO DO IN YOUR LIFE

***3****Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.****4****For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love****5****he predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will—****6****to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves.****7****In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God’s grace****8****that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and understanding,****9****he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ,****10****to be put into effect when the times reach their fulfillment—to bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ.* ***11****In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will,*

Ephesians 1:3-11

Introduction: Some people are goal-oriented and others are not. With forethought or no thought, we are all doing something with our lives. No matter the extent of your plans, the question becomes, “Will you let God in on what you are doing?” If so, what is it that God wants to do in your life? The Apostle Paul had a special relationship with Christians living in Philippi. He wanted them to know that he was confident that God was at work in them (Philippians 1:6) and what that meant for them as they lived for God. Let’s see what Paul said about this work God was doing in them.

1. GOD WANTS TO \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ A WORK IN YOU:

a. This should come as a complete surprise (Psalm 8:3-4).

b. You wouldn’t do this without God’s prompting (Matt. 16:23).

c. God will do this if you submit to Him (Colossians 2:12).

2. GOD WANTS TO DO A \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ WORK IN YOU:

a. It may not seem good at the start (Acts 2:22-23,36).

b. The blessings that come are amazing (Ephesians 1:3-11).

3. GOD WANTS TO \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ HIS WORK IN YOU:

a. With God working in you, your work is good (Philippians 2:12-13).

b. God’s faithfulness makes your faithfulness matter (2 Timothy 2:11-13).

c. God wants to take you to the finish line (1 Corinthians 9:26-27).

CONCLUSION: Will you let God do His work in you?

Answers: 1. Begin 2. Good 3. Complete