

## The WORD of the Day

### Ordained

*I remember the Revell model that drove me nuts. It was a plastic scale model of a Huey helicopter and I was excited about building it. The plans would walk me through the building process step-by-step. Except the scale model's tiny little plastic engine was missing a part. An essential part. Without it, the engine couldn't be seated properly in the body, which meant that there was nothing to attach the rotor blades to. What use is a helicopter without rotor blades? The Bible tells us that God has a grand plan and that you are uniquely created as a part of that plan. You've been created and chosen. You are essential. You are ordained by God for greatness.*

2 Peter 1:3–4, 10–11

1. You are \_\_\_\_\_ created for God's greater purpose.
2. You have been \_\_\_\_\_ to be a part of God's great plan.
3. You are \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_, and your \_\_\_\_\_.

### ***My Count Me In! Commitments***

- I'll be here next Sunday
- I'll invite a friend
- I'll ask a close friend what they see me equipped to do
- Take the SHAPE Test: [FreeShapeTest.com](http://FreeShapeTest.com)
- I'm ready to go deeper with the Directions Discipleship Course

### **Additional Notes**

# Digging Deeper, Going Further

## Monday

**Read:** 2 Peter 3

**Study:** *Peter was chosen by Jesus to be the leader of the early church.*

1. Peter was addressing the observations of some “scoffers” (v. 3). What were they scoffing about?
2. According to this passage, what is God’s ultimate plan for the end of history?

**Reflect:** What is our collective role in God’s plan according to verse 11?

## Tuesday

**Read:** Psalm 139

**Study:**

1. According to this psalm, when did God first have a plan for your life?
2. How much about our lives does God know?

**Reflect:** Write a description of yourself as God sees you, using this psalm as a template.

## Wednesday

**Read:** 1 Chronicles 23–27 (skip the names, but read the descriptions!)

**Study:** *This is an account of the ordination of many of Israel’s workers.*

1. Make a list of the different jobs in this passage.
2. How were these workers chosen for work in their particular ministries?

**Reflect:** What are some of the things God has specifically chosen you for?

## Thursday

**Read:** Ephesians 2

**Study:** *This is a letter from the Apostle Paul to the church in Ephesus.*

1. According to Paul, Jesus is the cornerstone, the apostles and prophets are the foundation. What is your part in the building of God in verses 19–22?
2. According to verse 10, when did God develop his plan for you?

**Reflect:** What are some of the “good works” can you do that others may not be able to do, or able to do as easily as you could?

## Friday

**Read:** 1 Corinthians 12

**Study:** *This is a letter from the Apostle Paul to the church in Corinth.*

1. According to verse 7, for what purpose does the Spirit assign gifts and tasks?
2. According to verses 12–27, how important are you to the body of Christ?

**Reflect:** You are uniquely gifted and called by God. You are essential to God’s plan. How is your career and/or your avocation essential for that plan? (This is not the time for modesty ... the Bible says YOU are gifted, called, and essential!)

**Saturday:** *Who will you invite to worship with you tomorrow?*