The Purpose of God

- Acts 9:10 Now there was a certain disciple at Damascus named Ananias; and to him the Lord said in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord."
- Acts 9:11 So the Lord said to him, "Arise and go to the street called Straight, and inquire at the house of Judas for one called Saul of Tarsus, for behold, he is praying.
- Acts 9:12 And in a vision he has seen a man named Ananias coming in and putting his hand on him, so that he might receive his sight."
- Acts 9:13 Then Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much harm he has done to Your saints in Jerusalem.
- Acts 9:14 And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on Your name."
- Acts 9:15 But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen vessel of Mine to bear My name before Gentiles, kings, and the children of Israel.
- Acts 9:16 For I will show him how many things he must suffer for My name's sake."
- Acts 10:44 While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit fell upon all those who heard the word.
- Acts 10:45 And those of the circumcision who believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out on the Gentiles also.
- Acts 10:46 For they heard them speak with tongues and magnify God. Then Peter answered,
- Acts 10:47 "Can anyone forbid water, that these should not be baptized who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?"
- Acts 10:48 And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then they asked him to stay a few days.
 - Matthew 16:13 When Jesus came into the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, "Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?"
 - Matthew 16:14 So they said, "Some say John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets."
 - Matthew 16:15 He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"
 - Matthew 16:16 Simon Peter answered and said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."
 - Matthew 16:17 Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven.
 - Matthew 16:18 And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall
 not prevail against it.
 - Matthew 16:19 And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound
 in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."
 - Matthew 16:20 Then He commanded His disciples that they should tell no one that He was Jesus the Christ.

Jesus The Christ, the Son of the living God = the rock on which God is building His church

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- Romans 9:6 But it is not that the word of God has taken no effect. For they are not all Israel who are of Israel,
- Romans 9:7 nor are they all children because they are the seed of Abraham; but, "In Isaac your seed shall be called."
- Romans 9:8 That is, those who are the children of the flesh, these are not the children of God; but the children of the promise are counted as the seed.
- Romans 9:9 For this is the word of promise: "At this time I will come and Sarah shall have a son."
- Romans 9:22 What if God, wanting to show His wrath and to make His power known, endured with much longsuffering the
- Romans 9:23 and that He might make known the riches of His glory on the vessels of mercy, which He had prepared beforehand for glory,
- Romans 9:24 even us whom He called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles?

vessels of wrath prepared for destruction,

- Romans 9:25 As He says also in Hosea: "I will call them My people, who were not My people, And her beloved, who was not beloved."
- Romans 9:26 "And it shall come to pass in the place where it was said to them, 'You are not My people,' There they shall be called sons of the living God."
- Romans 9:27 Isaiah also cries out concerning Israel: "Though the number of the children of Israel be as the sand of the sea, The remnant will be saved.
- Romans 9:28 For He will finish the work and cut it short in righteousness, Because the Lord will make a short work upon the earth."
- Romans 9:29 And as Isaiah said before: "Unless the Lord of Sabaoth had left us a seed, We would have become like Sodom, And we would have been made like Gomorrah."
 - Matthew 12:18 "Behold! My Servant whom I have chosen, My Beloved in whom My soul is well pleased! I will put My Spirit upon Him, And He will declare justice to the Gentiles.
 - Matthew 12:19 He will not quarrel nor cry out, Nor will anyone hear His voice in the streets.
 - Matthew 12:20 A bruised reed He will not break, And smoking flax He will not quench, Till He sends forth justice to victory;
 - · Matthew 12:21 And in His name Gentiles will trust."
 - The jews rejection of Jesus/The Christ shows further unfolding of God's purpose to bring salvation to the Gentiles