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How wonderful is the mind-set of the redeemed child of God who has come to know, in a personal way, the Lord Jesus Christ who Himself is the Creator of the universe (John 1:3; Col. 1:16). We have been made in God's image in order to reflect Him (Col. 3:10). We have been created for God's glory (Isa. 43:7) and for His pleasure (Rev. 4:11, that is, to accomplish His will). Our purpose is to know Christ (John 17:3) and to make Him known (1 Cor. 2:2). We bask in our Father's love (1 John 3:1). Our joy is found in our Lord who is always faithful (Phil. 4:4). Instead of a meaningless path, our God works all things together for our good (Rom. 8:28). Death does not end all, but is merely the doorway to a blessed eternity with the God who has saved us (John 14:1-3).

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