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### WHY AM I HERE ON EARTH?

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In other words, why are we even born if we are only to die some seventy or eighty years later? Isn't there more to life than to say, "Eat, drink, and be merry for tomorrow we die?" Probably not if you believe the earth was created from a "Big Bang," that man evolved from amoebas millions of years ago, or that there is no Creator. Science is even discovering the universe is getting old. It's dying—just like man and it's not going to last forever. Something makes us wonder, "Why am I here?" That something is God.

In the beginning, God created the heavens, the earth, the humans and the amoebas. The Bible says that God specifically [created](#) man and woman in his image and that he desired to have fellowship" (companionship or friendship) with his creation. He "blessed them" and gave them "rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and over every living creature that moves on the ground." We are here

to tend the earth.

We are also here for God's pleasure, which ends up being pleasurable for us—if we know him personally.

There is more to just living and dying. Each person is born in God's image, which is personable, able to love, to laugh, to feel, and to think. "He does not want anyone to be destroyed, but wants everyone to [repent](#)."

What is repentance and why do we need it? When the first man Adam sinned, sin entered the world. Adam's sin brought death, so death spread to [everyone](#). Without recognizing that we inherited that sin status and trusting that God made a way through Jesus Christ to change our status through repentance, we can never have a relationship with God; for he is holy and we are and sinful.

We are here on earth to honor God, to know God, and to share the benefits of this experience with others while on earth so we can ultimately spend eternity in a place called Heaven. We can only do that if we know Jesus as our Savior.