

## ~PURPOSED (71)

[English, reasoned, pointed, aimed, intended, planned]

- Now Peter explained, that the giving of ones possessions to the congregation for the benefit of all, was not something required, and that Ananias and Sapphira could have kept all of the field for themselves, and no one would have cared. Yet they tried to fool God and their fellow Christians into thinking, that they were giving their all, when they were not, and by doing so, they played false to the Holy Spirit within them, and thus they played false to God himself, who gives men this wonderful spirit. It is a spirit of honesty and of integrity and of truth.
- As long as it remained with you did it not remain yours, and after it was sold did it not continue in your control? Why was it that you **purposed** such a deed as this in your heart? You have played false, not to men, but to God. (**Acts of Apostles 5:4**)
- So after this three years of working with the Ephesians, Paul **purposed** in his spirit, that after visiting Macedonia and Achaia, that he would journey to Jerusalem. Then he also purposed to visit Rome after that.
- Now when these things had been completed, Paul **purposed** in his spirit that, after going through Macedonia and Achaia, he would journey to Jerusalem, saying; After I get there I must also see Rome. (**Acts of Apostles 19:21**)
- Paul had many times **purposed** to visit the congregation there in Rome, but other things kept hindering his progress to them. Yet wherever Paul worked, there was growth and fruitage among his Christian brothers in the world. This fruitage is manifest in Christian qualities, fine works of giving and love, and by the expansion of the preaching of the Good News worldwide.
- But I do not want you to fail to know, brothers, that I many times **purposed** to come to you, but I have been hindered until now, in order, that I might acquire some fruitage also among you even as among the rest of the nations. (**Romans 1:13**)
- Through his spirit he has made known to Christians the sacred secret of his will for us. It is according to the good pleasure on his will,

to reveal to Christians, things which he has **purposed** within himself from times of long ago.

- In that he made known to us the sacred secret of his will. It is according to his good pleasure which he **purposed** in himself (**Ephesians 1:9**)
- Paul now shows, that God also stepped in with such an oath, when he **purposed** to reassure the heirs of the promise, concerning the unchangeableness of his fine counsel. Anointed Christians today, are those heirs who possess that promise.
- In this manner God, when he **purposed** to demonstrate more abundantly to the heirs of the promise the unchangeableness of his counsel, stepped in with an oath. (**Hebrews 6:17**)