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God's Return on His Investment

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Expect a return

The benefits of seeking God

4. Seeking God reshapes your desires

Distractions often hook you because they appeal to what you *want* in the moment. As your values shift, some distractions simply become less appealing – not by force, but because your heart changes.

5. Seeking God builds discernment

You start to recognize the difference between what is urgent and what is meaningful. That discernment helps you say “no” without guilt, and “no” to sin with authority.

6. Seeking God anchors you in purpose

When you know *why* you’re living the way you are, it’s easier to resist things that pull you off course. Without purpose, distractions feel harmless; with purpose, they feel costly.

**Why Did
Jesus
Come
to Earth?**

Romans 5:18,19 New Life Version

1⁸ Through Adam's sin, death and hell came to all men. But another Man, Christ, by His right act makes men free and gives them life.

1⁹ Adam did not obey God, and many people become sinners through him. Christ obeyed God and makes many people right with Himself.

Jesus' return on investment

Prophecy	Old Testament reference	New Testament fulfillment
Born of a virgin	Isaiah 7:14	Matthew 1:22–23; Luke 1:26–31
Born in Bethlehem	Micah 5:2	Matthew 2:1–6; Luke 2:4–7
Entered Jerusalem on a donkey	Zechariah 9:9	Matthew 21:1–11; Luke 19:35–38
Preached good news to the poor	Isaiah 61:1–2	Luke 4:16–21
Healed the blind, sick, and lame	Isaiah 35:5–6; Isaiah 53:4	Matthew 9:35; Matthew 11:4–5
Rejected by his own people	Isaiah 53:3	John 1:11; Luke 4:28–29
Betrayed by a close companion	Psalms 41:9	Matthew 26:14–16, 47–50
Suffered and was mocked	Isaiah 53:5–7; Psalm 22:6–8	Matthew 27:27–31; Mark 15:16–20
Died for others' sins	Isaiah 53:10–12	Mark 10:45; 1 Peter 2:24
Rose from the dead	Psalms 16:10	Matthew 28:1–10; Acts 2:31–32

God had already planned Jesus' mission in Scripture.

Jesus' fulfillment of prophecy was not random evidence only; it was part of a clear mission, and he stayed focused on the work his Father sent him to do.

Seeking The Father gave Jesus' awareness of his mission

Jesus knew his purpose early. At age 12, Jesus showed awareness of his mission.

Jesus did not waste his life on distractions.

His public ministry focused on preaching, healing, and proclaiming God's kingdom, not on personal gain or worldly status.

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Jesus' whole life was guided by the Father's will. From childhood to the cross, every step had purpose, and he never lived for himself

John 4:34

John 5:30

John 6:38-40

**Jesus' sacrificial death is
the ultimate costly
investment, made**