

## Sept. 20, 2015 "What is Your Life's Purpose?"

Number your days. Average life span is around 77,375(75X365). Not to count days, but make days count! What is central purpose in life?

- Seligman: "Human beings want to have meaning. They do not want to wake up in the morning with a gnawing realization that they are fidgeting until they die."
- Central purpose: pleasure, power, keeping up with neighbors, raising a family, making parents proud, doing good works in community.
- Jesus lived only half that time, but was most influential person who ever lived. Thought with 'mind of God', even without support, threat of death.

Hard to let God in life. Hard to change of self-gratification to God-glorification.

- Disciples argued over who would replace Jesus as leader. Jesus emphasized that we are to serve, first must be last and servant of all.
- Example of Dave Thomas – "Mop Bucket Attitude"
- Ancient fable of knight who vowed to bow knees and lift arms only in homage of king. Later in life he couldn't bow because the joint of armor had rusted from non-use.

To serve others is to make life count!