# Where Do I Belong in This Life?

Finding Daily Peace & Purpose with St. Francis of Assisi *Inquiry – Humility – Piety – Simplicity – Charity – Tranquility* 

### **ISAIAH 32:16-17 – True Peace When GOD Reigns Over Us**

<sup>16</sup> Then justice will dwell in the wilderness, And righteousness remain in the fruitful field. <sup>17</sup> The work of righteousness will be peace, And the effect of righteousness, quietness and assurance forever. <sup>1</sup>

#### **GALATIANS 5:22 – The Resulting Fruits of The Spirit in Our Lives**

But the fruit of The Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. <sup>2</sup>

#### Finding Daily Peace & Purpose

*Inquiry* – In the midst of trials, St. Francis became open to asking, "Why am I here, GOD?" with his whole heart, mind and soul.

*Humility* – He humbled himself before The Creator, realizing that GOD created him, and all good things, from Divine Love.

**Piety** – Hearing GOD's voice and embracing GOD's plan for him brought St. Francis to daily return That Divine Love in a life of faith.

**Simplicity** – He put aside passing worldliness, took up his cross to follow JESUS CHRIST and found a deep liberating joy in serving & caring.

*Charity* – Filled with The HOLY SPIRIT, and finding wonder and respect for all men, life and creation, his heart overflowed with joyful love.

*Tranquility* – St. Francis found That Peace which passes all understanding, even in affliction, to live his true daily peace & purpose.

## A Prayer with St. Francis Of Assisi for Daily Peace & Purpose

"Most High, glorious GOD,

enlighten the darkness of my heart and give me true faith.

certain hope,

and perfect charity,

sense and knowledge,

Lord, that I may carry out Your holy and true command!" <sup>3</sup>

May GOD bless us all with paths for daily peace & purpose! AMEN.

<sup>2</sup> New King James Version Bible, GALATIANS 5:22.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> New King James Version, ISAIAH 32:16-17.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> "St. Francis' Prayer Before The Crucifix" at The Church at San Damiano. National Shrine of St. Francis of Assisi, San Francisco, CA. Retrieved 10/06/2015. <a href="http://www.shrinesf.org/life-of-st-francis.html">http://www.shrinesf.org/life-of-st-francis.html</a>