

“The Mystery of God’s Plan”
Series: Making Sense of Life’s Mysteries

Sermon Outline Notes

THE MYSTERY OF HISTORY IN 5 ACTS

ACT 1: GOD MADE IT ALL

• **TO REVEAL HIS GLORY**

“Everything comes from God; everything exists by his power and everything is intended for his glory.”
Romans 11:36 (NLT)

• **TO EXPRESS HIS LOVE**

“... His compassion is intertwined with everything he does.”
Psalm 145:9 (LB)

• **TO FORM A FAMILY**

“In his goodness God chose to make us his own children by giving us his true word. And we, out of all creation, became his choice possession.”
James 1:18 (NLT)

ACT 2: ADAM MESSED IT UP

“Sin came into the world because of what one man did, and with sin came death.”
Romans 5:12 (NCV)

“We’ve all sinned and proved that we are utterly incapable of living the glorious lives God wills for us.”
Romans 3:23 (MSG)

ACT 3: JESUS CAME TO PLANET EARTH

“Jesus was given to die for our sins, and he was raised from the dead to make us right with God.”
Romans 4:25 (NCV)

“The law of Moses could not save us, because of our sinful nature. But God put into effect a different plan to save us ... God destroyed sin’s control over us by giving his Son as a sacrifice for our sins.”
Romans 8:3 (NLT)

ACT 4: GOD GIVES US A CHOICE

“... How long will you waver between two opinions?
If the Lord is God, follow him!”
1 Kings 18:21 (NIV)

“If anyone chooses to do God’s will, he will find out whether or not my teaching comes from God.”
John 7:17 (NIV)

“Christ died for all so that those who live would not continue to live for themselves. He died for them and was raised from the dead so that they would live for him.”
2 Corinthians 5:15 (NCV)

ACT 5: JESUS RETURNS FOR HIS FAMILY

“Jesus died for us so that we can live with him forever, whether we are dead or alive at the time of his return.”
1 Thessalonians 5:10 (LB)

“This is his plan: At the right time God will bring everything together under the authority of Christ—everything in heaven and on earth.”
Ephesians 1:10 (NLT)