

## The Revolution of God's Relentless Love

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*Hebrews 4:16 (NIV)*

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*Romans 8:28 (NIV)*

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*Philippians 4:13 (GW)*

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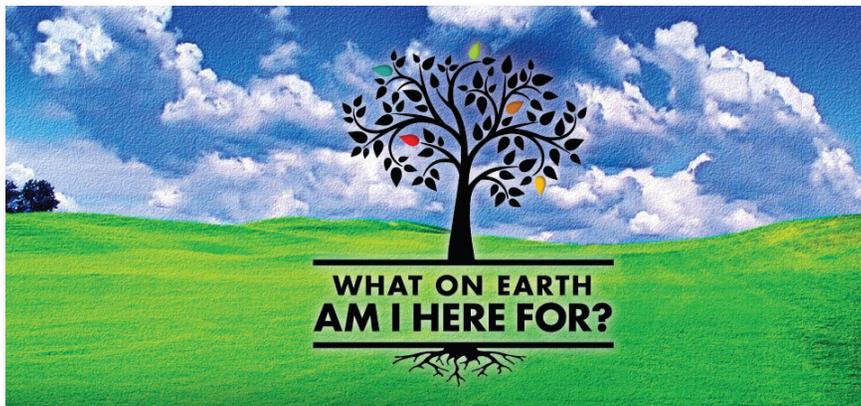
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