

GLORIFYING GOD WITH MY LIFE

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“³¹ So whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.” 1 Corinthians 10:31

I. WHY SHOULD I SEEK TO GLORIFY GOD?

1. I AM INTERNALLY WIRED TO GLORIFY GOD

“³⁶ For everything comes from him and exists by his power and is intended for his glory. All glory to him forever! Amen.” Romans 11:36

Note: If I Don't Glorify God, I Will Glorify Something or Someone Else

2. IT HELPS ME SEE HIM AS HE IS

“¹³ I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.” Revelation 22:13

“²⁰ Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think.” Ephesians 3:20

3. IT HELPS ME OVERCOME ANXIETY & DEPRESSION

Note: My Problems Get Smaller, When My God Is Bigger

“⁶ The Lord is for me, so I will have no fear. What can mere people do to me?” Psalm 118:6

“⁴ Even when I walk through the darkest valley, I will not be afraid, for you are close beside me. Your rod and your staff protect and comfort me.” Psalm 23:4

4. IT HELPS ME STAY FOCUSED

“¹ Since you have been raised to new life with Christ, set your sights on the realities of heaven, where Christ sits in the place of honor at God's right hand. ² Think about the things of heaven, not the things of earth. ³ For you died to this life, and your real life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ And when Christ, who is your life, is revealed to the whole world, you will share in all his glory.” Colossians 3:1-4

5. IT IMPROVES MY WITNESS

“¹⁴ You are the light of the world—like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.” Matthew 5:14-16

6. IT IMPROVES MY RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD

“³ You shall have no other gods before me.” Exodus 20:3

7. GOD DESERVES TO BE GLORIFIED!

“¹¹ Worthy are You, our Lord and our God, to receive glory and honor and power; for You created all things, and because of Your will they existed, and were created.” Revelation 4:11

II. HOW DO I GLORIFY GOD WITH MY LIFE?

1. BY LETTING HIM DWELL IN MY THOUGHTS

“¹⁶ Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God.” Colossians 3:16

“⁸ And now, dear brothers and sisters, one final thing. Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honorable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise.” Philippians 4:8

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2. BY SINGING TO HIM/ABOUT HIM

“¹ Let the godly sing for joy to the LORD; it is fitting for the pure to praise him. ² Praise the LORD with melodies on the lyre; make music for him on the ten-stringed harp. ³ Sing a new song of praise to him; play skillfully on the harp, and sing with joy. ⁴ For the word of the LORD holds true, and we can trust everything he does. ⁵ He loves whatever is just and good; the unfailing love of the LORD fills the earth.” Psalm 33:1-5

“³ Come, let us tell of the LORD’s greatness; let us exalt his name together.” Psalm 34:3

“¹⁸ Don’t be drunk with wine, because that will ruin your life. Instead, be filled with the Holy Spirit, ¹⁹ singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, and making music to the Lord in your hearts. ²⁰ And give thanks for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.” Ephesians 5:18-20

3. BY SERVING OTHER’S IN HIS NAME

“¹⁰ Just as each one has received a gift, use it to serve others, as good stewards of the varied grace of God. ¹¹ If anyone speaks, let it be as one who speaks God’s words; if anyone serves, let it be from the strength God provides, so that God may be glorified through Jesus Christ in everything. To him be the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen.” 1 Peter 4:10-11 (CSB)

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KEY: Give God The Credit

4. BY LIVING A GODLY LIFE

“¹³ You are the salt of the earth. But what good is salt if it has lost its flavor? Can you make it salty again? It will be thrown out and trampled underfoot as worthless.” Matthew 5:13

“²⁰ for you were bought at a price. So glorify God with your body.” 1 Corinthians 6:20

KEY: Tell God & Others Why You Are Doing OR Not Doing Certain Things

5. BY TESTIFYING TO HIS ACTIONS, GUIDANCE, & HELP

“⁹ I have told all your people about your justice. I have not been afraid to speak out, as you, O LORD, well know. ¹⁰ I have not kept the good news of your justice hidden in my heart; I have talked about your faithfulness and saving power. I have told everyone in the great assembly of your unfailing love and faithfulness.” Psalm 40:9-10

“¹ Give thanks to the LORD and proclaim his greatness. Let the whole world know what he has done. ² Sing to him; yes, sing his praises. Tell everyone about his wonderful deeds.” Psalm 105:1-2

6. BY SHARING THE GOOD NEWS

“¹⁸ And all of this is a gift from God, who brought us back to himself through Christ. And God has given us this task of reconciling people to him. ¹⁹ For God was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself, no longer counting people’s sins against them. And he gave us this wonderful message of reconciliation. ²⁰ So we are Christ’s ambassadors; God is making his appeal through us. We speak for Christ when we plead, “Come back to God!” 2 Corinthians 5:18-20

7. BY GIVING CREDIT WHERE IT’S DUE

“³⁰ God has united you with Christ Jesus. For our benefit God made him to be wisdom itself. Christ made us right with God; he made us pure and holy, and he freed us from sin. ³¹ Therefore, as the Scriptures say, “If you want to boast, boast only about the LORD.” 1 Corinthians 1:30-31

“¹³ For God is working in you, giving you the desire and the power to do what pleases him.” Philippians 2:13

8. BY LIVING BY FAITH

“¹⁸ Even when there was no reason for hope, Abraham kept hoping—believing that he would become the father of many nations. For God had said to him, “That’s how many descendants you will have!” ¹⁹ And Abraham’s faith did not weaken, even though, at about 100 years of age, he figured his body was as good as dead—and so was Sarah’s womb. ²⁰ Abraham never wavered in believing God’s promise. In fact, his faith grew stronger, and in this he brought glory to God. ²¹ He was fully convinced that God is able to do whatever he promises. ²² And because of Abraham’s faith, God counted him as righteous.” Romans 4:18-22

“¹² I tell you the truth, anyone who believes in me will do the same works I have done, and even greater works, because I am going to be with the Father. ¹³ And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son.” John 14:13

9. BY PRAISING & GLORIFYING GOD THROUGH DIFFICULTIES & TRIALS

“¹⁷ Even though the fig trees have no blossoms, and there are no grapes on the vines; even though the olive crop fails, and the fields lie empty and barren; even though the flocks die in the fields, and the cattle barns are empty, ¹⁸ yet I will rejoice in the Lord! I will be joyful in the God of my salvation! ¹⁹ The Sovereign Lord is my strength! He makes me as surefooted as a deer, able to tread upon the heights.” Habakkuk 3:17-19