

Glorifying CHRIST . . .

Our Purpose: Glorifying Christ through lives of credibility and love for the community.

Nacho Libre, “*Don’t you want a little taste of the glory? See what it tastes like?*”

Have you ever taken credit for something you did not do?

Have you ever hinted for someone to praise you or thank you?

Have you ever gotten frustrated because you were not recognized for all your hard work?

Defining “glory” and “giving glory”

Glory in Hebrew (OT):

1. Beauty or ornament in appearance.

Exodus 28:2, “*Make sacred garments for Aaron that are glorious and beautiful.*” (NLT)

2. A ranking of high status

Proverbs 16:31, “*A gray head is a crown of glory; it is found in the way of righteousness.*” (NASU)

3. Light or brightness

Exodus 40:34, “*The cloud covered the Tent of Meeting, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle.*” (NIV)

Glory in Greek (NT):

To honor, To acknowledge, To praise, To worship

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Acts 13:48, “*When the Gentiles heard this, they began rejoicing and glorifying the word of the Lord.*” (ESV)

Glory is any part of our being that causes others to stand in awe or wonder of us.

What about “*giving glory?*”

When we dress like our heroes, we give them glory.

When we spend time or money on them, we give them glory.

When we tell someone else about them, we give them glory.

People Power Point starts

Why can't we have a little taste of the glory?

Business owners selling out their character when they make it to the top.

Christians forsaking their morals when they hit the big time.

How common it is for a person to become number one in their field and then quickly fade away.

Proverbs 27:21, “*The purity of silver and gold can be tested in a crucible, but a man is tested by his reaction to men's praise.*” (TLB)

Self-glory produces PRIDE!

Compared to God . . .

“All of us have become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous acts are like filthy rags; we all shrivel up like a leaf, and like the wind our sins sweep us away.” (Isaiah 64:6-NIV)

“For I know that nothing good dwells in me.” (Romans 7:18-NASB)

We say, “Look what I have created . . .”

God says, “Look what I have created.”

We say, “I pay the bills in this house.”

God says, “Who created that stuff?”

We say, “I am the best in my field.”

God says, “Me too!”

Compared to God, there is no one or no thing that deserves real
GLORY!

*“Whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the
glory of God.” (1 Corinthians 10:31-NIV)*

N. T. Wright, *“To embrace the Ascension is to heave a sigh of
relief, to give up the struggle to be God (and with it the
inevitable despair at our constant failure), and to enjoy our
status as creatures: image-bearing creatures, but creatures
nonetheless.”*

1647 the Westminster Shorter Catechism states;

Question: *What is the chief end of man?*

Answer: *Man’s chief end is to glorify God and to enjoy Him
forever.*

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Let’s get more specific:

With your body . . . *“For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body.” (1 Corinthians 6:19-20-NKJV)*

In the church . . . *“May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus, so that with one heart and mouth you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.” (Romans 15:5-6-NIV)*

In the community . . . *“Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven.” (Matthew 5:16-NASU)*

“I see Jesus!” poem

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FBI pursues pretenders masquerading as war heroes

By Gregg Zoroya, USA TODAY (6/21/2006)

“They do it for the attention. They want to get noticed,” Cottone says. “These people, by wearing those medals, are literally stealing the valor and recognition of those who legitimately did the act. And this is absolutely disgraceful.”