Never Miss An Opportunity To Give God Glory



"Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory for ever. Amen(Matthew 6:9-13 OKJV)

Glory in the Greek is doxa Doxa=praise, honor, glory, what evokes a good opinion.

It is giving God the credit that He deserves for all that He has done.

Pentecost

When the Holy Spirit was poured out on the disciples in Jerusalem 50 days after the resurrection.

Through this one act of Peter giving glory to God, 3,000 souls were saved and joined the Church of Christ.

1. He Deserves It 1A-God created <u>EVERYTHING!</u>

"For by Him all things were created, both I the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones, or dominions, ALL things have been created through Him and for Him." (Colossians 1:16 NASB)

"The earth is the Lord's, and all it contains, the world, and those who dwell in it." (Psalm 24:1 NASB)

"For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be the glory forever. Amen." (Romans 11:36 NASB)

1B – His Miracles

"Now to Him Who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us, to Him be the glory of the Church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever amen." (Ephesians 3:20-21 NASB)

1C - His Son "Then I looked and I heard the voice of many angels around the throne and the living creatures and the elders, and the number of them was myriads of myriads, and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power and riches and wisdom and might and honor and glory and

blessing." And every created thing which is in heaven and on the earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all things in them, I heard saying, "To Him Who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb, be blessing and honor and glory and dominion forever and ever." (Revelation 5:11-13 NASB)

2. We Were Created To Give Him Glory

God created us for fellowship with Him

"Whether then, you eat or drink or whatever you do, do <u>ALL</u> to the glory of God." (1 Corinthians 10:31 NASB)

"Ascribe to the Lord the glory of His Name. Bring an offering and come into His courts." (Psalm 96:8 NASB)

"But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord."(2 Corinthians 3:18 NKJ)

When you start giving glory to God you will start loving Him. When you start loving Him you will grow closer to Him. The closer you will grow in your relationship with Him, the more that you will love Him. The more that you love Him, the more glory that you want to give to Him. This is an ever increasing cycle. Giving God glory is a good first step in loving Him.

- 3. The Blessings We Receive "...for those who honor Me, I honor, and those who despise Me will be lightly esteemed." (1 Samuel 2:30 NASB)
- Every time that you can slip God's Name into the conversation, you are honoring Him.
- God lifts up the humble and humbles the proud.

4. Bad Things Happen When You Try To Steal The Glory For Yourself

Example A – Nebuchadnezzar Example B – Herod Agrippa "Then immediately an angel of the Lord struck him, because he did not give glory to God. And he was eaten by worms and died." (Acts 12:23 NKJ)

5. The Luck Demon

- There are only two options in this world: God or Satan. Anything that is not of or for God is Satan. When we say that we are lucky, or that it was fate it is giving glory to Satan. This is why the world pushes for luck so much.
- We must stop and give rightful glory.

6. Witnessing to those around you

- Opens closed doors.
- Brings them closer to God.
- They cannot deny what has happened.

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven." (Matthew 5:16 NKJ)

7. We love God "And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first commandment. And the second, like it, is this: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. There is no other commandment greater than these." (Mark 12:30-31 NKJ)

The opposite of love is selfishness. That is why the Ten Commandments tell us to love God 1st because He is deserving of ALL of our love. Then love everyone but yourself. If you love yourself then you have no love.

When we love someone else we lift them up above ourselves(exalt) and we humble ourselves so that they can stand taller.

"For this reason also, God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the Name which is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow, of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father." (Philippians 2:9-11 NASB)

"And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth." (John 1:14 NASB)

God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit give glory to one another

Angels Give Glory
"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men with whom He is pleased." (Luke 2:14 NASB)

God Gives Us Glory

- "The glory which You have given Me, I have given to them, that they may be one, just as We are one." (John 17:22 NASB)
- "Therefore, accept one another, just as Christ also accepted us for the glory of God." (Romans 15:7 NASB)

Those Before Us Gave God Glory "Without becoming weak in faith he contemplated his own body, now as good as dead, since he was about a hundred years old, and the deadness of Sarah's womb, yet, with respect to the promise of God, he did not waiver in unbelief but grew strong in faith, giving glory to God, and being fully assured that what God had promised,

- He was able also to perform." (Romans 4:19-21 NASB)
- "to the only wise God, through Jesus Christ be the glory forever.
- Amen." (Romans 16:27 NASB)

What keeps us from giving God glory?

PRIDE. We want all the glory for ourselves.

We need to put our pride to death.

Actions speak louder than words. Every time that we give God glory, we say "I love you!" This is not just lip service, but is true love from the heart.

This is also worship and worship is love expressed.

There is always something to give God glory for!!

Can't Hold The Praise In

His Saving Grace