

God, and God will lie down with me."

The practices of these Irish believers challenge us to perform even the most mundane and humble tasks "as to the Lord and not to men" (Colossians 3:23). We are to carry out the apostle Paul's directive: "Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God" (1 Corinthians 10:31).

That directive embraces the whole gamut of life—eating breakfast, doing the dishes, sharing in a conversation, operating a computer. Let's remind ourselves throughout the day that whatever we do is to be done for the Lord and with an awareness of His presence. —VCG

*Living for Jesus a life that is true,  
Striving to please Him in all that I do,  
Yielding allegiance, gladhearted and free—  
This is the pathway of blessing for me. —Chisholm  
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**Instead of living for human acclaim, do everything in Jesus' name.**



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**Living For God**

**Whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men. —  
Colossians 3:23**

The practice of some believers in Ireland centuries ago can help us in our spiritual journey today. They wanted to be aware of God's presence in every activity of life. For example, they would say this prayer when they woke up in the morning: "Thanks to Thee, O God, that I have risen today to the rising of this life itself."

An Irish housewife, starting a fire at dawn, would whisper a prayer that the Lord would kindle in her heart a love for her family, friends, neighbours, and enemies.

Many believers would end their day with these words: "I lie down with





# Discipleship Series

## Refreshing

**(2 Chronicles 7:1-3)** "When Solomon had finished praying, fire came down from heaven and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices; and the glory of the LORD filled the temple. {2} And the priests could not enter the house of the LORD, because the glory of the LORD had filled the Lord's house. {3} When all the children of Israel saw how the fire came down, and the glory of the LORD on the temple, they bowed their faces to the ground on the pavement, and worshiped and praised the LORD, saying: "For He is good, For His mercy endures forever. ""

**(1 Corinthians 10:31)** "Therefore, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God."

For any believer who seeks to glorify God there are four ways to live:

### 1. I will find in Him my

**(Ephesians 1:5-6)** "having predestined us to adoption as sons ... {6} to the praise of the glory of His grace, by which He has made us accepted in the Beloved."

**(Ephesians 1:11-14)** "In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, .... {12} that we who first trusted in Christ should be to the praise of His glory.

**{13}** ... you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, {14} who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His glory."

**(Romans 15:5-6)** "Now may the God of patience and comfort grant ...{6} that you may with one mind and one mouth glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ."

**(Psalms 148:10-13)** "Beasts and all cattle; Creeping things and flying fowl; {11} Kings of the earth and all peoples; Princes and all judges of the earth; {12} Both young men and maidens; Old men and children. {13} Let them praise the name of the LORD, For His name alone is exalted; His glory is above the earth and heaven."

**(Psalms 34:1-2)** "I will bless the LORD at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth. {2} My soul shall make its boast in the LORD; The humble shall hear of it and be glad."

**(Psalms 145:1-2)** "I will extol You, my God, O King; And I will bless Your name forever and ever. {2} Every day I will bless You, And I will praise Your name forever and ever."

**(Psalms 146:2)** "While I live I will praise the LORD; I will sing praises to my



God while I have my being."

**(Acts 16:25)** "But at midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them."

**(Romans 5:1-2)** "Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, {2} ... and rejoice in hope of the glory of God."

### 2. I will display His

**(Matthew 5:14-16)** ""You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. {15} Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. {16} Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven."

**(Ephesians 5:8-10)** "For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light {9} (for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, righteousness, and truth), {10} finding out what is acceptable to the Lord."

**(Acts 9:36)** "At Joppa there was a certain disciple named Tabitha, which is translated Dorcas. This woman was full of good works and charitable deeds which she did."

**(2 Thessalonians 1:11-12)** "Therefore we also pray always for you that our God would count you worthy of this calling, ... {12} that the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and you in Him, ...."

**(1 Peter 2:12)** "having your conduct honorable among the Gentiles, that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may, by your good works which they observe, glorify God in the day of visitation."

### 3. I will bear His

, John 15:1-2, 4-5, 7-8



**(Hebrews 11:23-25)** "By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden three months by his parents, ... {24} By faith Moses, when he became of age, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, {25} choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin,"

**(Psalms 86:12)** "I will praise You, O Lord my God, with all my heart, And I will glorify Your name forevermore."

**(1 Peter 4:16)** "Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in this matter."

### 4. I will \_\_\_\_\_ to His glory,

**(Psalms 96:1-3)** "Oh, sing to the LORD a new song! Sing to the LORD, all the earth. {2} Sing to the LORD, bless His name; Proclaim the good news of His salvation from day to day. {3} Declare His glory among the nations, His wonders among all peoples."

**(Psalms 96:7-8)** "Give to the LORD, O families of the peoples, Give to the LORD glory and strength. {8} Give to the LORD the glory due His name; Bring an offering, and come into His courts."

