

God's glory is the manifestation of all that He is in His unsurpassed, stunning perfection. It is His amazing love, His wide mercy, His deep grace. His glory is seen in His truth, justice, wisdom, and power. To glorify Him means that we have the high privilege of showing Him off in a world that is totally unaware of what He is really like. Acts of mercy to the undeserving, grace to the needy, forgiveness to an offender, living wisely according to His will—all give glorious visibility to the character and quality of our God.

There are a lot of misconceptions floating around about God. It's our job to let others see what He is really like. And, when they like what they see, let's be sure to let them know who taught us to live like that. It's not a good idea to steal God's glory!

**May our lives be a "show and tell" for God's glory.**



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## Central Mountains Baptist Church

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### What On Earth Are We Doing?

"What on earth are you doing?!" You may have heard that phrase when your mum told you to clean your room and found you playing with your toys instead, or maybe when your teacher caught you passing notes in class.

But if God were to ask you this question, how would you respond?

Paul tells us that as followers of Jesus we have been put on this earth to bring glory to God in everything we do. So what should that look like?





## Drawing Close

### Glorifying God

This morning we look at 3 possible responses to conflict. 2 are godly responses but one is not. The possible responses to hurt or conflict are:

#### 1. To \_\_\_\_\_ it, Romans 12:18

**(Proverbs 19:11)** "The discretion of a man makes him slow to anger, And his glory is to overlook a transgression."

**(Proverbs 17:14)** "The beginning of strife is like releasing water; Therefore stop contention before a quarrel starts."

**(1 Peter 4:8)** "And above all things have fervent love for one another, for "love will cover a multitude of sins.""



**(Ephesians 4:2)** "... bearing with one another in love,"

**(Psalms 103:8-10)** "The LORD is merciful and gracious, Slow to anger, and abounding in mercy. {9} He will not ... keep His anger forever. {10} He has not dealt with us according to our sins, Nor punished us according to our iniquities."

**(Matthew 7:1-2)** "... Judge not, that you be not judged. {2} "For with what judgment you judge, you will be judged; and with the measure you use, it will be measured back to you."

#### 2. To respond in \_\_\_\_\_, Romans 12:19

We must deal with conflict when:

- ◆ A \_\_\_\_\_ is building up between you
- ◆ It is major \_\_\_\_\_
- ◆ The offense has become a \_\_\_\_\_



#### 3. Seek to \_\_\_\_\_,

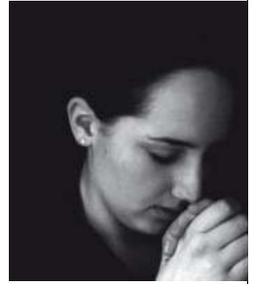
- ◆ Have a heart to \_\_\_\_\_,

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



- ◆ Make God the \_\_\_\_\_ in conflict,  
**(2 Corinthians 3:18)** "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."

**(Hebrews 12:2)** "looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God."



- ◆ Continue to \_\_\_\_\_ Him,

**(Proverbs 3:5-7)** "Trust in the LORD with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding; {6} In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths. {7} Do not be wise in your own eyes; Fear the LORD and depart from evil."



- ◆ Continue to \_\_\_\_\_ Him,  
**(John 14:15)** "'If you love Me, keep My commandments."

◆ Seek to \_\_\_\_\_ Him,  
**(Philippians 2:3-5)** "Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. {4} Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others. {5} Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus,"  
**(Ephesians 5:1-2)** "Therefore be imitators of God as dear children. {2} And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, ..."

- ◆ Leave \_\_\_\_\_ in His \_\_\_\_\_, Romans 12:19

**(2 Corinthians 5:17)** "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new."

