

Purpose of the Church—Glorify God

1 Corinthians 10:31

So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.

I. What does it mean to _____ God?

- A. In the New Testament the Greek word for “glory” is *doxa* and has to do with what we think or how we esteem something.**
- B. In the Old Testament the Hebrew word for “glory” is *kavod* and means “weight.”**

2 Corinthians 4:17

For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison,

- C. We don’t add anything to God, but we glorify God by ascribing to him, in our hearts, the full weight of all the qualities He already possesses.**
- D. We glorify God by making him heavier in our thinking and in others’ thinking.**

II. We strive to glorify God with the _____ man.

- E. We glorify God intellectually (with your mind)**
- F. We glorify God emotionally (with your feelings).**
- G. We glorify God volitionally (with your will).**

III. We strive to glorify God _____ as the church.

1 Peter 2:9–12

9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. **10** Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. **11** Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. **12** Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.

Ephesians 1:3–14

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, **4** even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love **5** he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, **6** to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved. **7** In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, **8** which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight **9** making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ **10** as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. **11** In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, **12** so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. **13** In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, **14** who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

Ephesians 3:10

so that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places.

Matthew 5:16

In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

IV. There are several _____ steps for us to glorify God at Crossway Church.

H. We must see the glory of God.

I. We must dig deep in God's Word to have a high view of God.

J. Our worship music should have the primary goal of glorifying God.

K. We must follow God's instructions.

Do you have **questions/comments** about Crossway's purpose to *glorify God* that you would like to **discuss with a pastor?**

*** We want to answer your questions! Notes you make in this box at the end of each section can help jog your memory on things to bring up when you meet with a pastor as part of Crossway's membership process ***