

Group Prayer Requests

Godpleasers
March 3, 2019
2 Corinthians 5:9 (805)

1. Express your desire to please God and ask for His help to do so in every situation you will face this week.

What should be the primary goal of every Christian?

- Our primary goal in life is to _____ God.

What does it mean to please God with our life?

- To _____ God means to live according to His will in order to show Him proper respect (1 Cor. 6:19-20).
- To _____ God means to live according to His will so that others will think much of Him (1 Cor. 10:31).
- To _____ God means to live according to His will in order to bring Him delight as He evaluates your life.

Why should pleasing God be our primary goal in life?

- God promises to _____ those who please Him.
- We will receive God's statement of _____ at the end of our lives (Matt. 25:14-30).

When are we to please God?

- We are to please God at _____ times—both the _____ and the _____.

What type of life pleases God?

- God is pleased when we sacrifice our _____ to do His will (Rom. 12:1).
- God is pleased when we _____ for people in need (Phil. 4:8).
- God is pleased when we _____ for lost souls (1 Tim. 2:1-4).
- God is pleased when we live by _____ (Heb. 11:6).
- God is pleased when we _____ His commands (1 Jn 3:21-22).

Applications

- Those who are _____ from God cannot please Him (Rom. 8:7-8).
- Christian, what _____ are you taking to reach your goal?
What is your _____?

Conclusion

- God is _____ to please than you think.

Discussion Guide

Getting Started

When you graduated from high school, what would you say was your primary goal in life? How, if at all, has that life goal changed over the years?

Discussion

Pastor Rex suggested that pleasing God, honoring God, and glorifying God are three ways of stating the same thing, but with different nuances. Do you agree with his explanation of the different nuances? Why or why not?

What other reasons would you give for why pleasing God should be our primary goal in life?

When facing trials, have you found yourself with competing goals—the goal to please God and the goal to escape the trial? How have you tried to prevent the latter goal from becoming the primary goal?

Read Rom. 14:13-18; Col. 1:10-12; and 1 Thes. 4:1-8.
Identify what each passage says about the type of life that pleases God and then discuss which areas you need to work on the most both individually and as a group.

How can you assist one another in developing a plan with specific steps to reach the goal of pleasing God with your life?

Interact with the following statement:

“God is easier to please than you think.”