Ways to Honor God in Our Lives

As you can see from the illustrated photo, there are numerous ways, all in the Bible on how to honor God today. One of the most common that God is honored of which is not listed above is praise. When need to maintain an attitude of praise. Heaven is full of praise. We can praise God through declarations of His Word aloud or in our prayer life.

The following scriptures will help us understand how to honor God every day...

Revelation 4:11, "Worthy are you, Lord our God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things; because of your will they came to be and were created"

Proverbs 3:9, "Honor the LORD from your wealth And from the first of all your produce;..."

1 Corinthians 10:31, "Whether, then, you eat or drink or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God".

John 12:26, "If anyone serves Me, he must follow Me; and where I am, there My servant will be also; if anyone serves Me, the Father will honor him".

10 main ways to glorify and honor God all day and every day...

- 1. In our thoughts. God knows our minds and our hearts, and our inner self usually reflects our outer actions, deeds and attitudes. So, if our desire is to glorify God in everything that we do, then we should ensure that our thoughts and our emotions are glorifying Him by remaining true to His commandments. This isn't always going to be easy, especially during rough patches in life, but it's during these trying times that our glorification of God means the most.
- 2. **In our words.** The way we speak to others and about others should be glorifying to God. So avoid abusive or harsh words, sarcasm, gossip and negative language that's meant to hurt, insult, abuse or belittle.
- 3. **In our deeds.** "Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father." (Matthew 5:16). This includes not only the activities we partake in for others, but also those we do for ourselves. Our deeds should be a reflection of Christ. So when people see what you do for others, they see Christ in your actions. And in glorifying Him, we should be sure not to put the focus on ourselves.
- 4. In our attitude. Our perspective about life, people and ourselves is an outward reflection of our inner self. A negative or pessimistic person usually turns off people. How can a person see Christ in cynicism? It's important to maintain a Godly attitude that encompasses patience, goodness, kindness and compassion.

- 5. In our physical self. The way that we treat the bodies that Christ gifted us with is a way of glorifying Him. Keeping our bodies healthy by not overindulging or under nourishing ourselves or abusing it with drugs. Modesty is also important in presenting ourselves in a manner that glorifies God. 1 Corinthians 6:18-20 declares; "For you have been bought with a price: therefore, glorify God in your body. Flee immorality. Every other sin that a man commits is outside the body, but the immoral man sins against his own body. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own?"
- 6. In good and bad times. It's easy to glorify God when things are going well, right? But what about during those times of struggle and suffering? These are the moments when glorifying God means so much. Christ suffered for us, and when we suffer, we grow in our holiness and our relationship with Christ becomes stronger.
- 7. **In our work.** This relates to school, jobs and chores. Enhancing our minds and strengthening our knowledge are ways that we can use the amazing mind that God gave us! Scripture calls for us to work hard, but to never allow work and money and ambition to consume us or overshadow Him. And every aspect of our work ethic should reveal God's glory.
- 8. **In our play.** This includes our entertainment, how we use our time and what we consume our minds with, whether through television shows, movies, books, music and social media. We should be focused on Godly media. In activities such as sports, we should remain true to God's teachings, such as playing fair, using patience and being honest. And when we hang out with our friends, we should always remember to behave in a manner that glorifies God.
- 9. In our evangelizing. Glorify His name at every opportunity. This includes not taking His name in vain! And when sharing the Word with others, we must do so in a manner that adheres to His teaching, not our own agendas. We must do so with kindness and compassion, as Jesus did. And we must do so without judging the heart or assuming ourselves to be better than others. We should be bringing people to Christ, not turning them away. We should be His disciples.
- 10. **In our relationships.** The way we treat our families and friends should be a reflection of how Christ treated people. The relationships that we have should adhere to His Word and His design. So, work to create happy and healthy relationships with people.

Finally let me reiterate that whatever we do, whatever we say, whatever we feel, whatever we think, whatever we pray, let it all be to the Glory of God!

"Whoever preaches, let it be with the words of God; whoever serves, let it be with the strength that God supplies, so that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen." (1 Peter 4:11)