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## Purpose #1: Planned for God's Pleasure

The Purpose Driven Life - Part 2

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### Pleasing God

*Ephesians 1:4 For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love<sup>5</sup> he predestined us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will.*

*Psalm 149:4 For the LORD takes delight in his people; he crowns the humble with victory.*

*1 Cor. 10:31 So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.*

*1 Thess. 4:1 As for other matters, brothers and sisters, we instructed you how to live in order to please God, as in fact you are living.*

### Pleasing God thru worship

Worship-

*John 4:23 Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks.<sup>24</sup> God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth.*

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*Psalm 27:4 One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after, that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to **behold the beauty of the Lord** and to inquire in His temple.*

*Psalm 84:10 Better is one day in your courts than a thousand elsewhere; I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked. <sup>11</sup> For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor; no good thing does he withhold from those whose walk is blameless. <sup>12</sup> LORD Almighty, blessed is the one who trusts in you.*

## **Worship because of the gospel**

*John 3:16 For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him **shall not perish** but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup> For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but **to save the world** through him. <sup>18</sup> Whoever believes in him is not **condemned**, but whoever does not believe **stands condemned already** because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son. <sup>19</sup> This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil.*

*Romans 5:8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.*

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## **Pleasing God or pleasing people?**

*Galatians 1:10 Am I now trying to win the approval of human beings, or of God? Or am I trying to please people? If I were still trying to please people, I would not be a servant of Christ.*

*Luke 14:26 If anyone comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters—yes, even their own life—such a person cannot be my disciple.*

## **Pleasing God, thanking God**

*Ephesians 5:20 ...always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

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