

Day 7

Romans 6.13b

John 13.34-35

Philippians 1.11

1 Peter 4.10-11

2 Corinthians 4.15

Day 7- The Reason For Everything

The reason for everything we do is to show the glory of God. That is the ultimate purpose of everything and everyone. God designed it all, put it all together, and without him it couldn't have happened. The glory of God is who God is. If you want to see it, look around. You can see it in everything. The grass, the walls, the air. Science is just now beginning to figure out how complex and amazing even the simplest things are. God is amazing and complex, and certainly deserves our devotion.

God deserves glory since he is the basis of all things. Unfortunately, two things don't give him glory. Fallen angels and people. Whenever we choose to ignore God and go our own way, we act as if we are in control of things and our plans are better than his. This rebellion is the basic part of all sin.

You can bring glory to God when you fulfill God's plan [your purpose] for your life. There are five purposes for our life which complete us when we balance them. They are:

Worship- It glorifies God when we recognize who he is and what he's done for us.

Fellowship- It glorifies God when we love other Christians.

Discipleship- It glorifies God when we work to become more like Christ, his son.

Ministry- It glorifies God when we serve others.

Evangelism- It glorifies God when we work to bring others into a relationship with him.

These are our five purposes, and in working towards them, we aren't just performing a duty, we are expressing love to God and working towards making our lives better. If we choose to be God's and glorify him, it requires a total life change. What we spend our time on, our attitudes, our friends, and everything else will change. But God isn't trying to take away all of our fun. He is trying to show us what life is truly about.

So now we have to decide. If you chose to live for God, then know that he wants the best for you. We already know what it feels like to live for ourselves. Guilt, fear, anger, depression, wanting, and so many more painful things. If we accept God and work towards glorifying him, these things fade away. Read the last few days of devotions again, and know how much God loves you. He wants what is best for you.

If you have not given your life to God, here is how. Admit you've lived your life for yourself and made mistakes. Then accept that through his son Jesus Christ's death on the cross, you can be forgiven of your mistakes. Finally, go out and work on fulfilling these purposes for your life!

Thinking about my purpose:

Know. It's all for him.

Remember. "For everything comes from God alone. Everything lives by his power, and

everything is for his glory." -Romans 11.36 [LB]

Think about it. What can I do to be more aware of and thankful for God's glory?