

## The Glory of God 2 Corinthians 4:1-6

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### A. The Glory of God Defined

“The glory of God is the excellency of His Holy Person shining forth in the radiance, beauty, magnificence, and greatness of His eternal and unchanging essence to be adored, enjoyed, and reflected back to Him from all creation particularly His people.”

### B. The Glory of God: His Desire – Our Created Purpose

1. God desires us to behold His glorious Person: 2 Cor. 4:6
2. God created us to resemble Him (His Image)
3. God re-created us to reflect Him in the world: 2 Corinthians 4:4-6

### C. The Glory of God Revealed

1. In the Old Testament
  - a. God’s glory revealed in creation: Psalm 19:1-6
  - b. God’s glory revealed in judgment: Exodus 14:1-29, 2 Thess. 1:8-10
  - c. God’s glory revealed in His presence with His people
2. In the New Testament
  - a. The Glory of God revealed in the humanity of the Lord Jesus
  - b. The glory of God revealed in the humility of the Lord Jesus
    - Christ’s humility displayed by what He laid aside: Phil. 2:5-7a, Heb. 1:3a
      1. Full display of His Divine Glory: John 17:5
      2. Full use of His authority: Matt. 26:53
      3. Riches of Heaven: 2 Cor. 8:9
      4. Unbroken fellowship with His Father: Matt. 27:46

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- Christ’s humility displayed by what He took upon Himself
  1. The Identity of a Servant: Phil. 2:7b-8a, Matthew 20:20-28
    - The single standard in the Christian life is Christ  
John 13:12-17
    - The guiding principle in the Christian life is self-denial  
Matthew 16:24, Mark 8:34, Luke 9:23
    - The personal cost in the Christian life is total  
Luke 14:25-33
    - The summary of all the Christian life is love  
Galatians 5:1, 13
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