

Measuring Success by God's Standards Ezekiel 33:30-33

Intro: What would our church look like if it was to be successful in God's eyes?

- I. Inadequate signs of success:
 - A. Great Interest In The Pastor and his message (v. 30a)

 - B. Witnessing (v. 30b)

 - C. Faithful Attendance (v. 31a)

 - D. Understanding (v. 32b)

 - E. Expression of devotion and love (v. 31b)

 - F. Enjoying the Services

- II. What God is looking for:
 - A. Heart Transformation (v. 31b)
 - 1. A mind totally submitted to God's Word. (Their mind had not yet been subject to the Spirit.)

 - 2. A will subject to God's desires. (Their will still lacked submission to God.)

 - 3. Affections oriented away from self-serving to God. (Their affections were still attached to the creature rather than to the Creator.)

 - B. Holiness (vv. 31,32)