

Bringing Glory to God

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Listed are some scriptural examples of how we can glorify God through our lifestyle:

By completing (finishing) the work that God gave us to do. (John 17:4)

- There are general expectations that we can all fulfill.
 - *“If you love me, keep my commandments.”* (John 14:15, 15:10)
- There are specific things apportioned for each of us.
- There is timing for all things.

By “bearing fruit” as a disciple. (John 15:8)

- We have to stay abiding in the vine. (John 15:4)

By maintaining thankfulness. (Romans 1:21)

- Without a thankful heart we will become / stay self-centered.

By following God in faith. (Romans 4:20)

By suffering with Christ. (Romans 8:17)

- Paul → To complete the sufferings of Christ [in his flesh / body] for His Body. (Colossians 1:24)
- Redemptive suffering leads to life!

By a holy, consecrated lifestyle. (1 Corinthians 6:17-20; 1 Peter 2:11, 12)

By making Jesus visually observable to the world. (Galatians 1:24; 2 Thess. 1:12)

- Others need to see Jesus in us!

By speaking and serving according to the grace (abilities) given you. (1 Peter 4:11)

- We must be “stewards” of His grace. (v.10)

By suffering reproach for His name. (1 Peter 4:14, 16)

- reproach – (3681 *oneidizo*)
- Reproach for His name sake will come because we are one (we represent) with Him.