

## X. FOR THE GLORY OF GOD

2:45:27 to 2:54:45 / 9:18 minutes

### INTRODUCTION

Soli deo Gloria: “GLORY to God ALONE.”

GRAPHIC: God is Gracious: God gives undeserved kindness and favor

#### Question 1

**WASHER:** This is very, very important. God’s motive for saving people is not found in that people.

*To believe that God saw something inherently valuable in each of us is “Man-centered” instead of God-centered.*

*That “All of a sudden the idea of grace is gone because [our salvation] is merited” (see Titus 3:5).*

#### Question 2

**Deuteronomy 7:7–8 (ESV)** <sup>7</sup>It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the Lord set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, <sup>8</sup>but it is because the Lord loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the Lord has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.

**GLORIFY** means to magnify, praise, exalt.

#### Question 3

**James from Detroit** – the term glorify often means **to magnify in a positive way** – to zoom in with a magnifying glass on what that thing is and expose it for how beautiful it is

**BEGG:** When we come to the message of the Gospel, esp. in Ephesians, the motivation of God in redemption is that we might be to the praise of His glory.

**Ephesians 1:5–6 (ESV)** <sup>5</sup>he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, <sup>6</sup>to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.

#### Question 4

**Isaiah 48:9 (ESV)** <sup>9</sup>“For my name’s sake I defer my anger; for the sake of my praise I restrain it for you, that I may not cut you off.

#### Question 5

*John 3:16, 17:9-10, 24; Acts 2:23; 1 Corinthians 10:31; Revelation 19:7; James 1:18; 1 Peter 1:1-5, 20, 23; Romans 8:29.*

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## Question 6

**Rosebrough** *If God saved me because of my value then my focus is on myself and how amazing I am. In other words I'm worshipping myself. But if God saved me because of His love – Who He is, not who I am – then God's glory... His value... His worth is magnified.*

**James** *If God started pointing at us we'd be missing out on the greatest gift **which is HIMSELF!***

**John 17:3–5 (ESV)** <sup>3</sup>And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. <sup>4</sup>I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. <sup>5</sup>And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.

**James** *So for God to glorify Himself and point the world to Himself He is actually doing the most loving thing possible because there is nothing more satisfying than God... there is nothing more lovely than God... there is nothing more lov-ING than God*

**God is LOVE: God eternally GIVES of Himself to others.**

## Question 7

*The "Greatest gift which is Himself (God)."*

*God, by pointing us to Himself, is "doing the most loving thing possible." God Himself is the most satisfying, lovely and most loving person in existence.*

*The verse displayed is John 17:3-5.*

**Gospel Essentials: ORIGINALSin.**

## Question 8

**Romans 3:10–12 (ESV)** <sup>10</sup>as it is written: "None is righteous, no, not one; <sup>11</sup>no one understands; no one seeks for God. <sup>12</sup>All have turned aside; together they have become worthless; no one does good, not even one."

**The Therapeutic Gospel: "God loves me because I'm valuable."**

**The Biblical Gospel: "I am valuable because God loves me."**

## Question 9

**LAWSON:** Anyone can love someone who is lovely. There's nothing supernatural about that. Nothing even divine about that.

**Romans 5:10 (ESV)** <sup>10</sup>For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.

**LAWSON:** THAT is AMAZING love. Unparalleled love. Matchless love. That can only come from God.

## Question 10

*"A simultaneous display of all Gods attributes not just His love and forgiveness, but by no means letting the guilty party go. Love and wrath on display, goodness and kindness on display, justice and mercy on display simultaneously."*

## American Gospel: Christ Crucified Takeaways

### Week 1, Chapter 1

#### Thursday:

1. Interpret experiences by the Bible
2. Am I going to trust God with what He says about this?
3. Refuse to see people as enemies.

#### Friday:

1. Do not put your own words into the Bible
2. Always have a choice – truth
3. It's a Person not facts

### Week 2, Chapter 2a

#### Thursday:

1. Work hard to know God – Trust!!!
2. Gospel → God's Attributes
3. Keep God in Awe
4. Strive to understand, surrender when can't

#### Friday:

1. Look for God's perspective
2. All scripture – take as written – in context- in all of Bible

### Week 3 – no notes, Chapter 2b

### Week 4, Chapter 3

#### Thursday and Friday:

1. Know how to articulate the truth
2. Choose Christ – period! – Narrow road
3. Framework for understanding people/untruth
4. Jesus as the focal point

### Week 5, Chapter 4

#### Thursday:

1. God is not to be understood – He's to be experienced
2. Paul Washers illustration on "Jealousy"
3. Car illustration

#### Friday:

1. God is God – cannot change
2. Both/and is God
3. Know the truth
4. Humility to search instead of reject

### Week 6, Chapter 5a

#### Thursday:

1. True repentance
2. Always study Scripture - And be humble when corrected
3. Heaven is about God – go back to God
4. It's about deepening the intimacy/ We've got to know God

#### Friday:

1. Ask motivation question/prayer
2. Keep devil in his place

### Week 7, Chapter 5b-6

#### Thursday:

1. Pier illustration
2. Protecting the Holiness of God
3. Distinction between Jones and Campolo
4. Critical praying but not harshly
5. Never figure God out

#### Friday: 1. Jesus announcing victory to dead

## **Week 8, Chapter 7a**

### Thursday:

1. Know the Bible constantly - Ask questions and seek answers constantly
2. The essence is loyalty to God
3. Loyalty shouldn't be arguments with people but gentleness and kindness
4. Watch for "Straw Man"
5. Stop trying to prove yourself - Be loyal to God
6. Stop trying to improve God

### Friday:

1. Straw Man – Be aware
2. Know the Bible
3. Trust and Obey
4. Jesus volunteered.
5. Trinity All involved

## **Week 9, Chapter 7b**

### Thursday:

1. Christ absorbing the justice example for how we need to behave
2. Love others as God loves us (absorbing the Justice)
3. Accepting and living in the finished work of Jesus
4. God gives the ability to live in compassion for others

No Friday notes

## **Week 10, Chapter 8a**

### Thursday:

1. We need to stop beating ourselves up and just go to God

### Friday:

1. God is for us
2. God loves no matter – picture of loving parent

## **Week 11, Chapter 8b**

### Thursday:

1. We're not trying to be Christlike to earn His love but because we're grateful
2. Knowing what Jesus experienced in the wrath, the depth of wrath, how horrible and He knew, all His Life, what He'll face because He loved
3. His death for forgiveness; His life for righteousness
4. If it's in the Bible we believe it
5. God isn't to be understood, He is to be experienced

### Friday:

1. Fully human required to take our sin

## **Week 12, Chapter 9**

### Thursday:

1. Overview of secular humanism
2. Must be "Glorify God first"
3. People will always oppose Jesus
4. There's freedom in Jesus
5. All looking for the "greater good" but different definitions
6. Without God → doomed
7. Resurrection is the key

### Friday:

1. Remember God loves us first – before born
2. Just because say Christian/pastor doesn't mean it's true
3. Doing never gets done

## **Week 13, Chapter 10**