

GLORIFYING THE LORD.

1 Cor. 6:19-20

I. WE ARE A VALUABLE COMMODITY TO GOD.

- A. Bought with great price.
- B. We are not our own; we're his; we don't belong to ourselves; we belong to Him.

II. THEREFORE, OUR LIVES OUGHT TO GLORIFY THE LORD.

- A. We can glorify by attributing value or credit; what is the object of our attention?
- B. To glorify means to make a god or object of worship.

III. HOW WE GLORIFY THE LORD.

- A. Recognizing and honoring Him for who He is.
- B. With our testimony and confession.
- C. In our actions, deeds, and behavior.
- D. Our life is an expression of praise unto the Lord.
 - 1. We are his handiwork; created in his likeness and image.
 - 2. Demonstrating his keeping or preserving power.
- E. Glorify the Lord through yielding our talents and abilities to the Lord and giving Him credit for our accomplishments.

IV. GLORIFYING THE LORD IN OUR BODY.

- A. Is the body important to the Lord?
 - 1. Represents our contact with the world; that's the reason Jesus came.
 - 2. Body object of redemption.
- B. Glorify the Lord by being healthy and well; sickness does not glorify God.
- C. Recognizing our body is the temple of the Holy Ghost.
 - 1. Not sinning against the body.
 - 2. We have a responsibility of taking care of the body.
- D. How we take care of the body.
 - 1. Not abusing it; recognize that it will wear out; obey warning signals.
 - 2. Seeing that it is properly nourished (not just fed, which could be only satisfaction of the lust of the flesh).
 - 3. What goes in does not defile the spirit, but it will the body.
 - 4. Keeping our bodies clean; personal hygiene.
- E. We're not to glorify our bodies, but to glorify the Lord through our bodies.
 - 1. Over consciousness of the body.
 - 2. Spending too much time grooming it, etc.
 - 3. Bodily exercise profiteth a little (probably more profitable today because of soft jobs), but godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come.
 - 4. Worshipping with our bodies (motion, but not sensuous).
 - 5. I beseech you...present your bodies a living sacrifice, wholly...

- F. HOW WE GLORIFY THE LORD IN OUR SPIRIT.
1. Turning our lives over to him; being born again.
 2. Yielding ourselves to His Holy Spirit.
 3. By sanctifying and setting ourselves apart unto him.
 4. Developing the spirit man.
 5. Worshipping Him in Spirit and in truth.