

## HONORING GOD IN OUR DAILY LIVES

→ Scripture reading 1 Cor. 6:12, 18-20, Phil 3:8-11

### HONORING GOD THROUGH STUDYING HIS WORD

**Romans 10:17** (NASU) So faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ.

**Psalms 1:1-3** (NIV) Blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of mockers. [2] But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law he meditates day and night. [3] He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers.

J. Piper "When you have devotions in God's Word, find a phrase or a verse - a morsel for your soul - and memorize it. This is like putting faith food in the pantry of your mind. Then throughout the day you reach in and take a bite from that morsel." (pg. 198 Taste & See)

→ **The point is NOT simply to get through the Bible...**  
**...the point is to KNOW Jesus Better**  
**...by reading, studying, and meditating on His Word**

### HONORING GOD THROUGH PRAYER

**Colossians 4:2** Devote yourselves to PRAYER, keeping alert in it with an attitude of THANKSGIVING; (NASU)

**Philippians 4:6-7** Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, PRESENT YOUR REQUESTS TO GOD. [7] And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. (NIV)

#### BECOME A PRAYER WARRIOR...

- by Praying regularly FOR and WITH People
- by Praying for Specific Needs
- by Praying Early on Sundays
- Ask God for a Prayer Burden

### HONORING GOD THROUGH STEWARDSHIP

→ **A Steward is someone who manages somebody else's property, finances, or household**

→ **We should Honor God by how Manage our TIME, ABILITIES, and RESOURCES**

#### Principles for Regular Giving

**1 Corinthians 16:2** (NIV) On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income, saving it up, so that when I come no collections will have to be made.

1-Our Giving should be Regular

2-Our Giving should be based on God's Blessing - Proportionate

**2 Corinthians 9:7** (NIV) Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

3- Our Giving is a Personal Decision

4- Our Giving should be JOYFUL

## HONORING GOD IN OUR BODIES

**1 Corinthians 6:12** (NIV) "Everything is permissible for me"--but not everything is beneficial. "Everything is permissible for me"--but I will not be mastered by anything.

**1 Corinthians 6:12** (ESV) ...but I will not be enslaved by anything.

**1 Corinthians 6:19-20** (NIV) Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; [20] you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body.

**Questions To Ask** (before you turn on your TV, watch that movie, go online)

- Will this be helpful Spiritually for me?
- Will this Honor Jesus Christ?
- Would I want my mother/father to sit with me and watch this?
- Will I end up feeling dirty and guilty if I keep watching/doing this?
- Is there something else I could do which will encourage my spiritual walk more?

## TAKE AWAY???

**Philippians 3:8-10** (NIV) ...I consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them rubbish, that I may gain Christ... [10] I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death...

**Will You make it Your goal -with God's Help-  
...to seek to Honor Jesus Christ in Your life in 2008?**