

**Introduction:**

- A. Last week we focused on magnifying God through our weaknesses. **1 Cor. 1:26-31**
- B. This week, we focus on the purpose of our service to God: to magnify and rejoice in His name, and to please Him through our thoughts, words, and actions... in everything!

**Discussion:**

- I. Everything I Do I Do It For God
  - A. Why is it we do what we do?
    - 1. To gain recognition or compliments?
    - 2. To make or win over friends?
    - 3. To uphold a reputation or simply "look good" before others?
    - 4. In these instances our main audience is men.
  - B. Is pleasing men wrong?
    - 1. No. cp. **1 Cor. 10:31-33; Rom. 15:1-2**
    - 2. Our focus, however, is to ultimately do everything to please our God.
    - 3. With this motivation, we will actually "please men" in a manner that ultimately pleases God.
- II. From Closet to Street Corner
  - A. No Better Example Than Jesus
    - 1. He perfectly exemplified a life where everything He did was with God in mind.
    - 2. Practically:
      - a. Fear no man (**Matt. 10:24-31**)
      - b. Live and teach a life in full service to God (**Matt. 6:5-6**).
      - c. **Matthew 14:22-23**
  - B. Our worship (pray and praise) is to Him.
    - 1. We worship none other than Him. **Matt. 4:10**
    - 2. We joyfully teach and admonish one another to give thanks to and exalt in Him alone. **Eph. 5:19**
  - C. Our service is to God. **1 Cor. 6:20**
    - 1. We work for Him... no matter who we work for. **Eph. 6:5-7**
    - 2. We serve Him when no one is looking.
    - 3. And, when we serve others "as unto the Lord" God blesses us beyond measure. cp. **Eph. 6:8; 1 Pet. 3:1-2**

**Conclusion:**

Who's Your Audience?