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Origins: Why did God create Humanity?

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What do we mean when we speak of "God's glory?"

- Hebrew כְּבוֹד
- Greek *doxa* (from which we get "doxology")

The Attributes of God

Greatness: Spirituality, personality, life, infinity, constancy

Goodness:

- Moral Purity: holiness, righteousness, justice,
- Integrity: genuineness, veracity, faithfulness
- Love: benevolence, grace, mercy, persistence

The very basis of God's love is God's Goodness

God's Glory is his work of creation of the world and human being.

“While God did not have to create, he did so for good and sufficient reasons, and the creation fulfills that purpose. In particular, the creation glorifies God by carrying out his will. . . . Only humans and angels are capable of obeying God consciously and willingly and thus glorifying God most fully”

Millard Erickson

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- טוב *Tov*

- לא-טוב

Irenaeus (135AD)

“The glory of God is man (human being) fully
alive.”

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NEXT WEEK: PURPOSE FOR WHICH GOD CREATED THE WORLD, CHAPTER 11

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