



Introduction: Do you remember what our working _____ is for God's Glory?

Definition:

How do we PREPARE for God's Glory to show up in our lives? I want to suggest _____ ways to be PREPARED for God's Glory. What are they?

I. Have an _____ .

Most people wake up with _____.

Question: Do we live with an _____ that God will display His Glory in our lives, today?

Where do we see God's Glory in and around the _____ accounts as found in the Bible?

1. Zachariah and _____ – [Luke 1:1-25](#)

Is it God's Glory showing up when he allows a man's _____ to be heard, and a woman's _____ to go from being barren to conceiving a child?

2. Mary and the _____ of the LORD – [Luke 1:26-38](#)

Mary was a virgin who was _____ by the Holy Spirit of God. **God's Glory showed up!** This event was a supernatural display of God's Glory.

3. A _____ from Caesar Augustus – [Luke 2:1-7](#)

I would submit to you that there is nothing we read in the Bible that was placed there by _____ or error.

There is a second way we can prepare for God's Glory...

II. Expect a _____

We need to be _____ for a realization of God's Glory to be displayed.

1. The _____ – [Luke 2:8-20](#)

The Shepherds were busy taking _____ of their sheep.

Hear this: It is when we are carrying out our _____ responsibilities that we often will experience God's Glory firsthand.

Don't miss the words used in [Luke 2](#),

- *The glory of the LORD shone around them – 2:9*
- *Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill towards men – 2:14*

What was _____ to the Shepherds was also fully _____ by the shepherds!

First, we have _____ people who REALIZED God's Glory! Will you expect to see the realization of God's Glory?

2. Simeon the _____ [Luke 2:25-34](#)

Simeon got to see his salvation! The realization of God's Glory!

[Luke 2:26](#) - *26 And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ.*

Do you think that just maybe a promise like this would put a _____ in your step?

Luke 2:29-32 - 29 "Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in peace, According to Your word; 30 For my eyes have seen Your salvation 31 Which You have prepared before the face of all peoples, 32 A light to bring revelation to the Gentiles, And the glory of Your people Israel."

Second, we have a religious priest who _____ God's Glory!

3. _____ the Prophetess – [Luke 2:36-38](#)

36 Now there was one, Anna, a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was of a great age, and had lived with a husband seven years from her virginity; 37 and this woman was a widow of about eighty-four years, who did not depart from the temple, but served God with fastings and prayers night and day. 38 And coming in that instant she gave thanks to the Lord, and spoke of Him to all those who looked for redemption in Jerusalem

Thirdly, we have a _____ who realized God's Glory!

What is the third step in _____ for God's Glory to show up this Christmas?

III. Share the _____ .

We must not keep God's Glory to _____ when you and I experience it. Everyone that we read about was quick to _____ what they saw with their eyes.

- _____ – [Luke 1:25](#) - *"Thus the Lord has dealt with me, in the days when He looked on me, to take away my reproach among people."*

See Luke 1:41-44

Here Elizabeth was not focusing on what God has _____ to her through the presence of Mary. Elizabeth was testifying of God's Glory! She knew that the mother of the Lord was standing before her. Her words are Holy Spirit inspired!

- _____ – [Luke 1:38](#) - *Then Mary said, "Behold the maidservant of the Lord! Let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.*

Mary was _____ of God's Glory! She was willing to be the human instrument to bring into the world the Messiah.

See Luke 1:46-55

These words here are called "**Mary's Magnificent**". They are said to be a _____.

When God shows up you share it with others.

- _____ – [Luke 1:64-65](#)

64 Immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue loosed, and he spoke, praising God. 65 Then fear came on all who dwelt around them; and all these sayings were discussed throughout all the hill country of Judea.

Zachariah was _____ God's Glory!

- _____ – [Luke 2:20](#)

20 Then the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told them.

The shepherds returned _____ God's Glory!

- _____ – [Luke 2:25-35](#)

25 And behold, there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon, and this man was just and devout, waiting for the Consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. 26 And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ. 27 So he came by the Spirit into the temple. And when the parents brought in the Child Jesus, to do for Him according to the custom of the law, 28 he took Him up in his arms and blessed God and said: 29 "Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in peace, According to Your word; 30 For my eyes have seen Your salvation 31 Which You have prepared before the face of all peoples, 32 A light to bring revelation to the Gentiles, And the glory of Your people Israel." 33 And Joseph and His mother marveled at those things which were spoken of Him. 34 Then Simeon blessed them, and said to Mary His mother, "Behold, this Child is destined for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign which will be spoken against 35 (yes, a sword will pierce through your own soul also), that the thoughts of many hearts may be revealed."

Simeon the priest was _____ God's Glory!

- _____ – [Luke 2:36-38](#)

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Anna the Prophetess was _____ God's Glory!

None of these people _____ God's Glory to themselves. No, they shared what they experienced, and we must do the same thing.

Conclusion: In closing, I want to remind us of the _____ ways we can be _____ for God's Glory.

1. Have an _____ We should just expect God's Glory to show up in our lives.
2. Expect a _____ Expect to see God's Glory in your daily life.
3. Share the _____ . Tell others of God's Glory. People need us to share the Gospel with them.