

# Living to Please God

1 Thessalonians 4:1

# 1. The for Pleasing God

There is a necessary instruction that every Christian needs in order to live a life that is pleasing to God. All of it is found in His Word. If you desire to please the LORD, let me encourage you to consult with the One who tells vou how.

And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. ~ Hebrews 11:6

2. The \_\_\_\_\_\_ of Pleasing God

In the midst of affliction, the church in Thessalonica received God's Word from the Apostle Paul and sought to obey its directives. They followed the given examples, and became themselves examples for the other churches.

Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. ~ Hebrews 13:6

# 3. The \_\_\_\_\_\_ in Pleasing God

Living to please God is a journey of learning, growing, and increasing in your knowledge of Him. It produces greater faithfulness and stronger determination to live a life that magnifies Jesus.

...so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God.  $\sim$ Colossians 1:10

## 2 Corinthians 5:9

So whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him.



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**Additional Scripture References** (And Rabbit Trails Bible Study)

#### **Philippians 4:9**

What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me—practice these things, and the God of peace will be with you.

## 1 Timothy 5:4

But if a widow has children or grandchildren, let them first learn to show godliness to their own household and to make some return to their parents, for this is pleasing in the sight of God.

## **Colossians 3:20**

*Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord.* 

#### Romans 8:8

Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.

# **1** Thessalonians 1:6-7

And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia.

## **Philippians 4:18**

I have received full payment, and more. I am well supplied, having received from Epaphroditus the aifts you sent, a fragrant offering, a sacrifice acceptable and pleasing to God.

## **Ephesians 5:10**

...and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord.

## Psalm 69:30-31

I will praise the name of God with a song; I will magnify him with thanksgiving. This will please the Lord more than an ox or a bull with horns and hoofs.

# 2 Peter 1:8

For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.