

I. **Review of Last Week’s Session – “Greater Elevation – Walking Worthy of the Gift.”**

A. **Colossians 1:9-12 (NKJV)** – <sup>9</sup>*For this reason we also, since the day we heard it, do not cease to pray for you, and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding;* <sup>10</sup>***that you may walk worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing Him, being fruitful in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;*** <sup>11</sup>*strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, for all patience and longsuffering with joy;* <sup>12</sup>*giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light.*

B. **God’s plan is elevation**

1. **God’s progression**

- a. From Glory to Glory
- b. 30, 60, 100-fold
- c. The harvest progression

**Mark 4:26-28 (KJV)** – <sup>26</sup>*And he said, “So is the kingdom of God, as if a man should cast seed into the ground; <sup>27</sup>and should sleep, and rise night and day, and the seed should spring and grow up, he knoweth not how. <sup>28</sup>For the earth bringeth forth fruit of herself; first the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear*

2. **Walk worthy of Him**

- a. **What is walking worthy?**
- b. **To live worthy of the calling is to exemplify FULLY RECEIVING the Gift that has been given to us.**
- c. **Worthy of a gift illustration**
- d. **1 Corinthians 1:6-7 (NKJV)** – <sup>6</sup>*even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you, <sup>7</sup>so that you come short in no gift, eagerly waiting for the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ, **Come short in NO GIFT***

II. **The Greater Glory** *Living a life – worthy of the gift – brings glory to God!*

A. **Philippians 1:9-11 (NKJV)** – <sup>9</sup>*And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in knowledge and all discernment, <sup>10</sup>that you may approve the things that are excellent, that you may be sincere and without offense till the day of Christ, <sup>11</sup>**being filled with the fruits of righteousness which are by Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God***

**We are to be filled with Fruits of our gift of righteousness**

1. **Fruit brings glory to God**

**Philippians 1:11 (NLT)** – *May you always **be filled with the fruit of your salvation—the righteous character produced in your life by Jesus Christ—for this will bring much glory and praise to God.***

2. **Notice – Glory and Praise** *Our life is to bring forth both – Glory and Praise.*

a. **What is the difference?** *Praise may be expressed in many ways, including shouting, singing, lifting hands, dancing, instruments, etc.*

b. **Glory is demonstrated in a different way.**

**Glory –**

- **Splendor, brightness, magnificence, excellence**
- **It is praise – it is worship – but in a different way.**
- **Glory is seen!**
- **The glory of a creator is in the creation.**
- **Examples – builders/airplanes/cakes**

B. **Understanding how we bring Glory to God**

*As God’s Creation – we were created to bring Glory to Him. We are new creatures/ Old things passed away, all things become new in Him. THE GLORY comes when as we become more and more the NEW CREATIONS that the gift of salvation affords to us.*

1. **2 Corinthians 3:18 (NKJV)** – *But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, **are being transformed** into the same image **from glory to glory**, just as by the Spirit of the Lord*

**2 Corinthians 3:18 (GWT)** – *As all of us reflect the Lord's glory with faces that are not covered with veils, we are **being changed** into his image **with ever-increasing glory**. This comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.*

**2 Corinthians 3:18 (AMP)** – *And we all, with unveiled face, continually seeing as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are **progressively being transformed** into His image **from [one degree of] glory to [even more] glory**, which comes from the Lord, [who is] the Spirit.*

## 2. **Glory is connected to transformation**

- a. **In Philippians**, we are being filled with fruit (transformation) to the Glory and praise of God.
- b. **In Corinthians** – we are being CHANGED/TRANSFORMED – from glory to glory – *There is no glory – where there is no change.*

## 3. **Jesus' teaching on fruit**

**John 15:7-8 (NKJV)** – *<sup>7</sup>If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you. <sup>8</sup>**By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit; so you will be My disciples.***

- a. **God is glorified only by our fruitfulness.**  
*This fruit is not soul-winning – this is fruit that becomes evident in our lives – because we are walking worthy of the salvation gift. (We are allowing the gift to do everything it was intended to do in our life.)*
- b. **The greatest fruit in the life of the believer is TRANSFORMATION – from glory – to glory.**
- c. **A life that is not walking worthy – allowing the gift to do what it was sent to do – bringing forth no fruit, brings NO glory to God.**

d. **Transformation is the HIGHEST LEVEL of GLORY!**

*When God sees HIS gift of salvation TRANSFORMING our life He is GLORIFIED. When others can see God's Spirit TRANSFORMING our life, God is glorified. Nothing can replace – the glory that true TRANSFORMATION brings to Him.*

**4. Scriptures to Consider**

a. **1 Corinthians 6:20 (NKJV)** – *For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's*

**1 Corinthians 6:20 (GWT)** – *You were bought for a price. So bring glory to God in the way you use your body.*

- How do we bring glory to God by our bodies?
- **Romans 12:1-2 (NKJV)** – <sup>1</sup>*I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service.* <sup>2</sup>*And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God*
- **NOTICE** – The instruction is to be TRANSFORMED! *WE Glorify God in our bodies, by presenting our bodies to Him as a LIVING SACRIFICE. Every day that I live, I give my body to Him – to do what is pleasing to Him – By allowing Him to TRANSFORM my body – into His Will – I BRING GLORY TO HIM!*

b. **1 Peter 5:10 (NKJV)** – *But may the God of all grace, **who called us to His eternal glory** by Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a while, perfect, establish, strengthen, and settle you.*

- Notice – we are called to GLORY
- WE can only glorify God as we are perfected/mature, strong, and settled. TRANSFORMATION

c. **2 Peter 1:3 (NKJV)** – *as His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him **who called us by glory and virtue**,*

- **His divine power has given us all things; made all things available to us; made all things possible for us.**
- **Called to GLORY and VIRTUE!**  
***Our life is a display of HIS GLORY and POWER. His glory is***

*seen in the transformation that occurred and is occurring – because of HIS POWER that is continuing to work in my life daily.*

### III. Saved to Demonstrate His Glory

**Romans 3:23 (NKJV)** – *for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,*

**Note:** *At the FALL in Genesis, the human race fell short of the Glory of God. HOW?*

- *They that were created in the image of God, now bore another image.*
- *They no longer thought like God.*
- *They no longer acted like God.*
- *They were no longer – bearing the image of the creator.*
- *They could no longer GLORIFY GOD, because they had become something other than what HE as CREATOR, created them to be.*
- *When God created man, He/God was glorified by His creation because ADAM bore HIS image/likeness, everything about Him was perfect.*
- *When Adam sinned, the GLORY was lost – God received no glory from FALLEN man, because fallen man was not what God created man to be.*

**A. Hebrews 2:10 (NKJV)** – *For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and by whom are all things, **in bringing many sons to glory**, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through suffering.*

#### **1. His goal was to bring us to GLORY!**

- a. *Transformed for His glory*
- b. *Empowered for His glory*
- c. *Doing great exploits for His glory*
- d. *Speaking wisdom and truth for His glory*
- e. *Living a life in demonstration and power of the Spirit for His glory.*
- f. *Healed, set free, blessed, strong, able, prosperous –*  
**TRANSFORMED – ALL FOR HIS GLORY**

2. His receives **GLORY** when **HIS** gift is working in the life of His children.

B. **Isaiah 60:1-2 (NKJV)** – <sup>1</sup>Arise, shine; for your light has come! And the glory of the LORD is risen upon you. <sup>2</sup>For behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and deep darkness the people; but the LORD will arise over you, and His glory will be seen upon you.

1. The Glory is risen **UPON** you.

2. The glory is **SEEN** upon you!

3. How do people see the glory? **TRANSFORMATION!**

C. The goal of every believer should be to bring Him Glory!

**2 Thessalonians 1:9-12 (AMP)** – <sup>9</sup>These people will pay the penalty and endure the punishment of everlasting destruction, banished from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power, <sup>10</sup>when He comes to be glorified in His saints on that day [**that is, glorified through the changed lives of those who have accepted Him as Savior and have been set apart for His purpose**], and to be marveled at among all who have believed, because our testimony to you was believed and trusted [and confirmed in your lives]. <sup>11</sup>With this in view, we constantly pray for you, that our God will **count you worthy of your calling [to faith] and with [His] power fulfill every desire for goodness, and complete [your] every work of faith, <sup>12</sup>so that the name of our Lord Jesus will be glorified in you [by what you do], and you in Him, according to the [precious] grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.**

He is glorified when change occurs, and fruit is produced that could only come from Him.

#### IV. Closing: Let Him Make the Change!

A. Changes is by the Spirit

B. Daily being changed/transformed more and more.

C. Don't focus on trying to change; focus your attention on the one inside of you who is transforming you.

1. **Hebrews 12:1-2 (NKJV)** – <sup>1</sup>Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, <sup>2</sup>looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God
2. **Zechariah 4:6 (NKJV)** – So he answered and said to me: “This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel: ‘Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,’ says the LORD of hosts