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“That I May Please Him”

Text: 2 Timothy 2:4

Introduction

Every Christian is living to please someone.

- Some live to please themselves.
- Some live to please people.
- Some live to please the world.

But the Christian ought to live with one great desire:

“That I may please Him.”

A good soldier asks:

“What pleases my Commander?”

Jesus Is Our Example

John 8:29 “...for I do always those things that please him.”

Matthew 3:17 “And lo a voice from heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.”

Matthew 17:5 “This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him.”

Luke 22:42 “...nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done.”

Enoch had this testimony -Hebrews 11:5 “...he had this testimony, that he pleased God.”

How Can I Please HIM?

I. I Can Please Him With My _____

2 Timothy 2:4 *“No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life...”*

Entangled means:

- wrapped up,
- tied down,
- spiritually distracted.

What has your heart?

- entertainment?
- money?
- social media?
- hobbies?
- bitterness?
- worldly friendships?

II. I Can Please Him With My _____

John 8:29 *“...I do always those things that please him.”*

- obey in your speech,
- obey in purity,
- obey in forgiveness,
- obey in witnessing,
- obey in private.

John 14:15 *“If ye love me, keep my commandments.”*

III. I Can Please Him With My _____

Hebrews 11:6 *“But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.”*

Faith believes:

- God is true,
- God is able,
- God knows best.

Matthew 25:21 *“Well done, thou good and faithful servant...”*