



Dear friends!

This month, we will be focusing on the topic of **The Glory of God**. What IS the Glory of God, and how do we allow it to change our lives?

The unifying and central themes of the Bible are the Glory of God, and the Kingdom of God, which is forever advancing through His sons and daughters.

Psalm 103:19 NKJV says, *“The LORD has established His throne in heaven, and His kingdom rules over all.”*

Louis Giglio (public speaker, author, and pastor) defined the word “Glory” as: *‘The sum total of God’s magnificent attributes, and the eternal fame of His mysterious works.’*

Glory can also be defined as Splendor, Majesty, Weight, Significance, Honour, Abundance, Riches, Dignity, Reputation, and Reverence.

Romans 11:36 (Amplified) says,

**“For FROM Him and THROUGH Him and TO Him are all things.  
For ALL things originate WITH Him and come FROM Him;  
all things live THROUGH Him, and all things CENTER IN  
and tend to consummate and to END IN Him.  
To Him be GLORY forever! Amen (so be it).”**

If all things originate with Him, are from Him, center in Him and end in Him, and there is only ONE who will receive the glory (God), then surely we want to live our lives in such a way that our lives reflect back to Him and not to ourselves!



## 1. ALL THINGS WERE CREATED FOR HIS GLORY

You and I were created by God...

- to magnify His glory,
- to display His glory, and
- to make His glory look greater!

God didn't create us to **increase** His glory through us; He wanted to **DISPLAY** His glory through us!

Colossians 1:15-17 NKJV says, *"He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by Him, all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist."*

In Isaiah 43:6-7 (Amplified), God said this: *"Bring My sons from afar and My daughters from the ends of the earth, even everyone who is called by My name, whom I have created for My glory, whom I have formed, whom I have made."*

He has created us to carry His glory... His splendor, majesty, significance, presence, and reputation.

## 2. THE PROBLEM: SEEKING OUR OWN GLORY

At this point, it's crucial that we be on our guard against any forms of distortion, whether big or small. Instead of us carrying God's glory, there is the danger of starting to seek our own glory.

Deception doesn't mean that you are evil or wicked, but simply that you have believed the lie to be the truth.

When our identities are not securely and firmly rooted in Christ, and our focus isn't completely on bringing Him glory, it's easy to become deceived!



In our search for feeling significant, we try through our own efforts to gain dignity and honor.

### 3. THE DISTORTION

- We start looking at our own gifts and beauty.
- We start to believe our own 'publicity' and end up seeking our own glory.
- We get so impressed with ourselves that we forget that it's all about HIM.
- We easily exchange the Glory of God for our own images.
- What we see in people's eyes when they look at us becomes more important to us than giving God the glory.
- We begin to devalue other people in order to feel better about ourselves.
- We are unable to bring Him glory because of the fear of what people may think of us.
- We are more worried about stepping out and failing than loving and obeying the One who deserves all glory.
- We wait for an 'increase' of more glory to be visible in our lives, so we can be more gloriously 'perfect,' and yet God wants to display Himself in and through us, despite our imperfections and weaknesses.

#### **'Look in the mirror' time**

Which of these distortions can you identify with?

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Where have you believed a lie to be the truth when it comes to seeking God's glory instead of your own?

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Dear friends, let us remember to never take for ourselves that which belongs to God! It's not about us... It's all about Him.

Jesus died on the cross and paid the full price for our sins, sicknesses, and diseases. He has poured out His love, grace, and anointing on us. He is the one who has gifted us and created us to bring HIM fame!

Take some time and reflect on who God is and what He has done for you.

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**It's about HIS glory and HIS fame.** Remember to always reflect His glory back to Him!

*"And one cried to another and said, Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory!"* Isaiah 6:3 (Amplified)

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