

# CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH

"...HAVING BEEN BUILT ON THE FOUNDATION OF THE APOSTLES & PROPHETS, JESUS CHRIST HIMSELF BEING THE CHIEF CORNERSTONE..."  
EPHESIANS 2:20

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## Announcements:

### b) Our highest good tied to God's Glory

#### 1. The Glory of God is our highest good

- His Glory moved Him to create this universe and us.
- God's Glory made Him fill the earth and our lives with good things...

#### 2. His Glory will make Him judge and exterminate sin and its consequences

#### 3. God's Glory is the cause of our eternal bliss.

Ps 23:6 & Ps 16:11

The bliss of heaven described in Revelation is compared to the shadowy and passing shapes of things we deem precious on earth and this is tied to the Glory of God comp. Rev 21

Now when you understand the Glory of God in these terms,

#### 4. How will you pray from now on?

#### 5. The priority of the Glory of God in prayer will cause us:

- To get into the habit of being more concerned with God's Glory than with our needs.
- The church that learns to pray for God's Glory first will conduct its business life accordingly and it will be blessed

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#### SUNDAY:

9:30 AM \* SUNDAY SCHOOL  
11:00 AM \* MORNING WORSHIP  
6:00 PM \* EVENING WORSHIP

#### WEDNESDAY:

7:00 PM \* PRAYER MEETING

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## The Priority of the Glory of God #7

In our prayer life (2)

**Introduction:** The Glory of God ought to be our number one priority, because it is the root of things that *will impact our lives for many years and throughout eternity.*

We have considered the priority of the Glory of God in our identification as Christians, in our redemption, in our worship and now, the **Priority of the Glory of God in our prayer life**

Our text: Luke 11:1-5

**a. Review:** this is a pattern of prayer

**b. Historical note on the Fatherhood of God:** even when some OT passages describe God as a Father, it was not customary for a Jew to address Him as such

**c. Explanation: Hallowed be your name**

- The verb is in imperative mode. This is a demand
- Father, set your Name apart, may it be treated as holy and distinguished from all others! This is the request of someone for whom the Glory of God is the utmost priority.

**Broadus** in his commentary on Matthew points to the *parallelism between the Lord's prayer and the 10 commandments.*

THESIS: Why must the Glory of God be the priority in our prayer life? Because it is the ultimate cause for the three most important issues that will affect us now and forevermore namely Creation, Redemption and Judgment

**a. The Glory of God and Creation**

Gn 1:1, Ps 19:1, Acts 17:26, 28

**Stuart Scott** – Exemplary Husband – “Created by God and for God”

God formed us from the dust of the earth *for His own Glory*, and then He ordained our lifespan – Ps 139:16 - within the biosphere He made and sustains, and established the limits of our existence. Conversely, God rewards abundantly those who seek His Glory first Mt 6:33 because "God honors those who honor Him" I Sa 2:29

Secondly, making of the Glory of God is a priority...

**b. Because God Redeemed us for His Glory Eph 1:1-13**

Paul says three times what is the reason behind the unfolding of God's eternal plan of salvation in Eph 1:6, 12 & 14  
"To the praise of His Glory"

Thirdly,

**c. God's judgment is ultimately tied to His Glory**

- The song that in Rev 15:2-4 is called the "song of Moses" is a hymn of praise tied to God's judgments on earth
- Rev 5. The praise of the redeemed in heaven is sung when Christ opened the scroll containing God's judgment.

Where is the tie between God's Judgment and His Glory?

*The radical & eternal nature of God's judgment upon those who do not honor Him, should make us think how seriously God takes His glory*

**CONCLUSION:**

**a) First commandment / No competition**

Jesus' teaching us to pray saying "Father hallowed be your Name", brings face-to-face with the first commandment: "Thou shall have no other gods before me".