

CALLED OUT! Be Different as I Am Different
Message #3 "The Theatre of God's Glory"
Ephesians 3:10, Survey
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"His intent was that now, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms." Eph. 3:10

HOW THE CHURCH DISPLAYS GOD'S GLORY

1. _____ - 2 Cor. 1:3-7, Acts 1:12-14, John 20:19,
Acts 2:42-47, 4:23-24
"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God." 2 Cor. 1:3-4
- "They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer...All the believers were together and had everything in common." Acts 2:24, 44*
- "When we do CARING, CONNECTEDNESS AND COMMUNITY in the context of mutual submission, honor, respect and unity...there is no greater theatre for God's glory." Pastor Phil*

2. **Accountability, _____, forgiveness and _____** - Heb. 10:22-31
"Brothers, if someone is caught in a sin, you who are spiritual should restore him gently. But watch yourself, or you also may be tempted. 2 Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." Gal. 6:1-3

Three Demonstrations of this in the Body

- A. **Faith encouraging words**- 1 Thess. 3:2, 4:18, 5:11, 5:14
B. **Accountability**- Titus 2:15
C. **Discipline**- 1 Cor. 5:1-13

"Many times people do not want to belong to a church simply because they believe that my faith is no business of yours. They do not want to submit themselves to another. Have you read the Bible in the last 1900 years? Of course it is our business. That's why it is called the Body of Christ." Pastor Phil

3. _____ **in the Kingdom**- 1 Cor. 12:4-26, 14:5, 12
"This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. 13 Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, men will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else." 2 Cor. 9:12-13

4. _____ - Acts 2:46-47, 2 Chron. 5:11-14

Three Concepts in Scripture

1. Private time of worship in prayer and word. Mark 1:35
2. Public demonstration of worship expressed in personal holiness. 1 Cor. 6:19
3. Times of worship expressed in lifting up the Lord with other believers.

"The priests then withdrew from the Holy Place. All the priests who were there had consecrated themselves, regardless of their divisions. 12 All the Levites who were musicians—Asaph, Heman, Jeduthun and their sons and relatives—stood on the east side of the altar, dressed in fine linen and playing cymbals, harps and lyres. They were accompanied by 120 priests sounding trumpets. 13 The trumpeters and singers joined in unison, as with one voice, to give praise and thanks to the Lord. Accompanied by trumpets, cymbals and other instruments, they raised their voices in praise to the Lord and sang: 'He is good; His love endures forever.' Then the temple of the Lord was filled with a cloud, 14 and the priests could not perform their service because of the cloud, for the glory of the Lord filled the temple of God." 2 Chron. 5:11-14

When we worship God...people see...

HIS _____ - Reverence, praise & thanksgiving.

HIS _____ - His image reflected in our lives.

"Therefore, since we have such a hope, we are very bold. 13 We are not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face to keep the Israelites from gazing at it while the radiance was fading away. 14 But their minds were made dull, for to this day the same veil remains when the old covenant is read. It has not been removed, because only in Christ is it taken away. 15 Even to this day when Moses is read, a veil covers their hearts. 16 **But whenever anyone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away.** 17 Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. 18 **And we, who with unveiled faces all reflect the Lord's glory, are being transformed into His likeness with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.**" 2 Cor. 3:12-18

5. _____ **others about** _____ - Acts 2:46-47, 1 Cor. 14:24-25, Acts 8:4

"So then, men ought to regard us as servants of Christ and as those entrusted with the secret things of God. 2 Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful." 1 Cor. 4:1-3