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True Success and Greatness Are Not Measured by the World's Ideas There is not a better topic for a men's meeting than measuring our lives God's way for His approval and His favor and the approval and favor of good men.

#### And the child Samuel grew on, and was in <u>favour both with the LORD,</u> and also with men.

I Samuel 2:26

3 Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: bind them about thy neck; write them upon the table of thine heart:
4 So shalt thou find <u>favour and good understanding in the sight of God</u> and man.

Proverbs 3:3-4

## And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man.

Luke 2:52

Samuel and Jesus were both described as growing in favor with God and men while still children or youth. God chose David and said he was a man after His own heart while still a youth, before he had accomplished anything militarily, politically, or financially. Jesus summed up the O.T. into two commands, and the Bible reduces our goals as men to two.

### Grow in favor with God and man.



This study's goal is to exalt godly spiritual character over professional ambition.

# Samuel, David, and Jesus found favor with God and men while still children or youth.

Let all youth and men take hope, you can be the best – a true champion or winner – regardless of assets, income, or title. But there are two key questions:

1. Is your relationship with God better than last year, last month, last week, and yesterday?

2. Do good men crave your presence, counsel, and fellowship more than ever before?

Men are proud by nature to see life like a game to be won for glory. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

For tonight we will minimize the lust of the flesh and lust of the eyes (we have covered them both) <u>to focus on pride of life</u>. These are the three things the world has to offer, and Satan seemed limited to these categories with Adam, Jesus, and you. To the degree you give into them or are distracted by them, you are as stupid as Eve and will be taken down like she was. Satan tempted Jesus by the same three kinds of sin as Eve, but our Lord did not give an inch to the diabolical fiend. 15 Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. <u>If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him</u>.
16 For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world.
17 And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: <u>but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever</u>.

I John 2:15-17

### Which Man Wins?

### Which Man Loses?

Hates the world and its stuff!

Does the will of God!

Loves the world and its stuff!

Follows his lust of the flesh.

Follows his lust of the eyes.

Follows his pride of life.

Winning the game of life is doing it God's way for God's approval and praise.

Losing the game of life is falling into one or more of the three worldly traps to ruin.

I must fight your natural losers' mentality for some of you to be real winners. 4 (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)

5 <u>Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself</u> <u>against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every</u> <u>thought to the obedience of Christ</u>;

6 And having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled.

II Corinthians 10:4-6

Every thought you have inside yourself that you are a winner is a warning that you need this study more than others. True winning ... true success ... is gaining the approval and favor of Almighty God.

But losers pursue goals on easy street in one or more of these categories ...

> Exalting education Improving fitness Making money

We are not against education, sports, or making money ... in fact, they all have a place in our lives ... but they must be far subordinate to other goals and glorying. There are many other distractions to men's lives other than the big three just listed – wisdom, fitness, riches – but they each fit into one or more of the Lord's three warnings – flesh, eyes, pride of life.

<b>Other Distractions</b>	Away from Godliness	to Faulty Measures
<b>Children &amp; Activities</b>	Gardening or Flowers	Pet & Animal Hobbies
House and Yard	Hobbies of All Kinds	Organic Farming
Social Media	Family, Family, Family	Alternative Medicine
Trips & Vacations	Politics & News	Music & Singing
Second Jobs	More Schooling	<b>Gourmet Cooking</b>
Neat Freak	Spouse Doting	<b>Community Service</b>
Homeschooling	Hanging Out	DIY Projects
Excess Bible Reading	Constant Checkups	Meditation
<b>Book Collections</b>	Diary & Journaling	Texting Verses

All of the distractions in the previous table may be enjoyed and pursued, as long as they are subordinate to God's measures for our lives. Many let them get out of hand in their lives, which makes them weights condemned in Heb 12:1-2.

God has given us a manual for the game of life. Let's go, men! This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.

Joshua 1:8

16 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:
17 That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works.

II Timothy 3:16-17

## And if a man also strive for masteries, yet is he not crowned, <u>except he</u> <u>strive lawfully</u>.

II Timothy 2:5
Tonight we must correct measures the world uses to exalt measures God uses. 23 Thus saith the LORD, Let not the wise man glory in his <u>wisdom</u>, neither let the mighty man glory in his <u>might</u>, let not the rich man glory in his <u>riches</u>:

24 But let him that glorieth glory in this, <u>that he understandeth and</u> <u>knoweth me</u>, that I am the LORD which exercise lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth: for in these things I delight, saith the LORD.

Jeremiah 9:23-24

This fabulous text rejects bad goals for your life and exalts the one great goal!!!

## Which Man <u>Wins</u>? Which Man <u>Loses</u>?

**Understands God** 

**Knows** God

**Glories in degrees or smarts** 

Glories in physical fitness

Glories in job or finances



<u>World's Smartest Man</u> Christopher Langan (CTMU) IQ ... 195 ... 210 ... Unknown <u>World's Greatest Athlete</u> GOAT of Most Popular Sport Beautiful, Rich Wife; Great Looks <u>World's Richest Man</u> Founder & CEO of Amazon \$160,000,000,000+ 23 Thus saith the LORD, Let not the wise man glory in his <u>wisdom</u>, neither let the mighty man glory in his <u>might</u>, let not the rich man glory in his <u>riches</u>:

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Jeremiah 9:23-24

Real success is knowing and understanding God and justifies celebration.

# The LORD Jehovah, the only true and living God, has greatly revealed Himself to us.

<u>http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/knowing-god-complete-01-08-2018.pdf</u> <u>http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/boasting-about-god-isaiah.pdf</u> <u>http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/boasting-about-god-job.pdf</u> Winners rejoice and celebrate knowing God and do all they can to know Him better and win His approval and favor. But losers pursue goals on easy street in one or more of these categories ...

> Exalting education Mastering a sport Making money



His IQ destroyed any wisdom He will die knowing nothing He will meet God terrified! He never gives God any glory His body will decline to mush He will meet God terrified! He has no religious beliefs He will not take a penny He will meet God terrified! 13 Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man.
14 For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil. Ecclesiastes 12:13-14 11 And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.

12 And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.... 14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

Revelation 20:11-14

All wise men will be vigilant to not be distracted by the three vices God knows well.

## Which Man <u>Wins</u>? Which Man <u>Loses</u>?

You ... if you seek God

You ... if you keep His rules

**Christopher Langan** 

Tom Brady

Jeff Bezos

These three men are total losers in the sight of God and all good men.

Reality and truth say that you will never amount to anything in the three areas.





You will never be smart in any great way.

#### You will never be athletic in any great way.

You will never be rich in any great way.

It is basic common sense not to chase something you cannot catch. Duh! 4 Labour not to be rich: cease from thine own wisdom.

5 <u>Wilt thou set thine eyes upon that which is not</u>? for riches certainly make themselves wings; they fly away as an eagle toward heaven. Proverbs 23:4-5 Excessive professional and financial ambition are the danger and threat we want to focus on in this study.

You know a number of members of the \$200k club (annual compensation). Rejoice with them and for them. Do not envy or resent them. This is the painful test. Such a club is not very exclusive any more, so achieving it is sort of a ho-hum event, though we celebrate and honor them. Yet there is in most men a hungry craving for such a measure of "success," and they envy and resent any that make that much. Companies have an HR rule for company peace that forbids mentioning any wages lest it create jealousy and angry strife. Winners – great Christian men – have no envy or resentment of others' success.

They rejoice in God's favor on the diligence and wisdom of brothers to achieve it.

Every successful man must humbly bow to Him that makes the differences. I returned, and saw under the sun, that the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, neither yet bread to the wise, <u>nor yet riches</u> <u>to men of understanding</u>, nor yet favour to men of skill; but time and chance happeneth to them all.

Ecclesiastes 9:11

For who maketh thee to differ from another? and what hast thou that thou didst not receive? now if thou didst receive it, why dost thou glory, as if thou hadst not received it?

I Corinthians 4:7

#### Factors of Professional Success



Successful men are blessed by God, but they as a rule work harder than others. I love good men, because God ordered me to do so (Titus 1:8), but if they are in the \$200k club means nothing to me. *Good is not money-related.* Can you grasp this? Believe it? A youth with no income or a diligent man making only 2x age ... if they have good names by the Bible's definition ... they crush fast-tracker carnal Christians. <u>A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches</u>, and loving favour rather than silver and gold.

Proverbs 22:1
# <u>A good name is better than precious ointment</u>; and the day of death than the day of one's birth.

Ecclesiastes 7:1

Then the princes of the Philistines went forth: and it came to pass, after they went forth, that David behaved himself more wisely than all the servants of Saul; so that his name was much set by.

I Samuel 18:30

It is Bible spiritual sense not to chase something that is dangerously foolish. 9 But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition.

10 For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

I Timothy 6:9-10

Life is short, so we must apply ourselves well to the real goals or ruin our lives. Behold, thou hast made my days as an handbreadth; and mine age is as nothing before thee: <u>verily every man at his best state is altogether</u> <u>vanity. Selah</u>.

Psalm 39:5

When thou with rebukes dost correct man for iniquity, thou makest his beauty to consume away like a moth: <u>surely every man is vanity. Selah</u>. Psalm 39:11 Surely men of low degree are vanity, and men of high degree are a lie: to be laid in the balance, <u>they are altogether lighter than vanity</u>.

Psalm 62:9



#### Man is like to vanity: his days are as a shadow that passeth away. Psalm 144:4

As we focus on the pride of life, let us consider professional and financial ambition. Some of you do not have enough professional ambition ... for a flat career trajectory exposes you. Nothing in this study alters the truth and importance of professional diligence and prudence taught in the past ... but you need wisdom to see the balance of your trajectory with winning God. No one has desired your professional success, enjoyed your progress, and tried to help you find it more than your pastor, but .... He knows about the competition of career trajectory and winning in a large firm and in a fascinating industry. He was where you are. He felt the joy. But ... he learned long ago there are much better and lasting goals for a man than professional success or financial gain. 23 Thus saith the LORD, Let not the wise man glory in his <u>wisdom</u>, neither let the mighty man glory in his <u>might</u>, let not the rich man glory in his <u>riches</u>:

24 But let him that glorieth glory in this, <u>that he understandeth and</u> <u>knoweth me</u>, that I am the LORD which exercise lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth: for in these things I delight, saith the LORD.

Jeremiah 9:23-24

God gave His Son and others as your ransom, what will ransom your life? 3 For I am the LORD thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Saviour: <u>I</u> gave Egypt for thy ransom, Ethiopia and Seba for thee.

4 Since thou wast precious in my sight, thou hast been honourable, and I have loved thee: therefore will I give men for thee, and people for thy life.

Isaiah 43:3-4

### The ransom of a man's life are his riches: but the poor heareth not rebuke.

Proverbs 13:8

This text is a warning ... it means, in brief ...

The love of money destroys men's lives: the rich choose it to their soul ruin, but the poor still want it! <u>There is that maketh himself rich, yet hath nothing</u>: there is that maketh himself poor, yet hath great riches. Proverbs 13:7

# The rich man's wealth is his strong city, and as <u>an high wall in his own</u> <u>conceit</u>.

Proverbs 18:11

Good men ... successful men ... gladly give up riches (while still being very diligent) ... to be the true disciples of Jesus Christ. 22 But when the young man heard that saying, he went away sorrowful: for he had great possessions.

23 Then said Jesus unto his disciples, <u>Verily I say unto you, That a rich</u> man shall hardly enter into the kingdom of heaven.

24 And again I say unto you, It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God. Matthew 19:22-24

The world wants you to chase riches, but God has much better goals for you.

#### **Contrasting Visions of the "Good Life"**



12 Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble;

13 Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.

I Corinthians 3:12-13

That was a ministerial text warning me ... which is why I present God's word to warn you instead of showing movies,

> The Cross and the Switchblade God's Not Dead 2 Risen

- 9 Wherefore we labour, that, whether present or absent, we may be accepted of him.
- 10 For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.
- 11 <u>Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men</u>; but we are made manifest unto God; and I trust also are made manifest in your consciences.

II Corinthians 5:9-11

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> The Cross and the Switchblade God's Not Dead 2 Risen

There is a payday coming that is so much greater than earthly pay that it should never be compared to pennies here. 22 Servants, obey in all things your masters according to the flesh; not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but in singleness of heart, fearing God:

23 And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men;

24 <u>Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ</u>.

25 But he that doeth wrong shall receive for the wrong which he hath done: and there is no respect of persons.

1 Masters, give unto your servants that which is just and equal; <u>knowing that ye also have a Master in heaven</u>.

Colossians 3:22 – 4:1

His lord said unto him, <u>Well done, thou good and faithful servant</u>: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord. Matthew 25:21

Martyrs were the greatest believers on earth, yet they were often the poorest. Pastor!

Stop!

I know God does not care how much I make, my bodyfat %, or how smart I am.

Pastor!

#### Remind me!

Tell me again the things God cares about and looks for in my life now and later.
We could start most anywhere in the Bible, but let me bounce around a bit with you, and hope that the random collection will get your attention and desire. 1 And he looked up, and saw the rich men casting their gifts into the treasury.

- 2 And he saw also a certain poor widow casting in thither two mites.
- 3 And he said, Of a truth I say unto you, that this poor widow hath cast in more than they all:
- 4 For all these have of their abundance cast in unto the offerings of God: but she of her penury hath cast in all the living that she had.

# But the liberal deviseth liberal things; and <u>by liberal things shall he</u> <u>stand</u>.

Isaiah 32:8

#### **Giving Trumps Getting**

God loved this widow woman, and Jesus marked her out for the apostles. She gave more ... so more successful!

David gave with all his might, and you know that David's might was great, and he did it because of his affection for God's house. Il Samuel 6:19; I Chron 29:1-5

God cares more about how much you give than how much you make! Rather than compete and fret about the \$200k club, you can compete to be the most liberal giver (%), which brings God's favor spiritually ... and financially. Think! 17 Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy;

18 <u>That they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to</u> <u>distribute, willing to communicate</u>;

19 Laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life.

I Timothy 6:17-19

To men that tremble at the word of God, you just had professional and financial ambition turned on its head, for it is more blessed to give than to receive.

### **Diligence Trumps Income**

God loves diligent men faithful in business, not slothful, and diligence is defined by the Bible, not by society, your company, peers, or you!

God arranges all time and chance, so there will be big differences not due to diligence or its lack, though slothful men can never excuse their lazy, rebellious ways toward work.



There are two professional ditches – working too hard and not working enough! Of course, each man will justify his ditch and condemn the ditch of others – it is human nature and clearly the pride of life.

Sin is sin, and trying to justify any sin shows a depraved and rebellious person.

Ordinarily ... all other things being equal ... which they are not by God's sovereign rule ... income accurately indicates diligence and/or prudence. Thus saith Proverbs.

## He becometh poor that dealeth with a slack hand: but <u>the hand of the</u> <u>diligent maketh rich</u>.

Proverbs 10:4

## The soul of the sluggard desireth, and hath nothing: but <u>the soul of the</u> <u>diligent shall be made fat</u>.

Proverbs 13:4

If you work hard every day keeping Solomon's and Paul's inspired rules about diligence, then relax and pursue your other goals ... God is happy with you. If you are diligent and your pay is less than others, there are many factors in play:

> Time and Chance Poor Career Choice Declining Industry God Testing You God Saving You!

#### This is a fact!

Never has it been easier to make lots than right now, right here in America.

Working hard and working smart with liberal giving will harvest the fig tree.

And the soldiers likewise demanded of him, saying, And what shall we do? And he said unto them, Do violence to no man, neither accuse any falsely; and be content with your wages.

Luke 3:14

Roman soldiers occupying Israel were tempted to rob the populace.

Ambitious Christian men in America in 2019 are tempted to pursue riches.

God requires diligence, but it is up to Him whether He brings riches or not.

#### Trust not in oppression, and become not vain in robbery: <u>if riches</u> <u>increase</u>, set not your heart upon them. Psalm 62:10

## How Happy Is Your Wife?

For this lesson, ignore her joy in the Lord to assess her joy being married to you ... inside her heart, not her respectful, merciful words.

You can move your wife like you can move the thermostat to warmer or cooler by showing her the lovingkindness God has written you. Let her be as the loving hind and pleasant roe; let her breasts satisfy thee at all times; and be thou ravished always with her love. Proverbs 5:19

#### Husbands, love your wives, and <u>be not bitter against them</u>. Colossians 3:19

Likewise, ye husbands, <u>dwell with them according to knowledge</u>, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered. I Peter 3:7

God wrote the measure of a man in the Bible, and it includes your wife's joy.

#### Are You a Soul Winner?

We understand the Great Commission was fulfilled by the apostles, the only ones that could keep the terms and timing of it.

But do you engage with your brethren ... your extended family ... colleagues and neighbors ... about the glorious truth of the gospel?

# The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and <u>he that winneth souls is</u> <u>wise</u>.

Proverbs 11:30

19 Brethren, if any of you do err from the truth, and one convert him; 20 <u>Let him know</u>, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins.

James 5:19-20

God wrote the measure of a man in the Bible, and it includes winning souls.

### **Godliness with Contentment**

God says it is great gain. Wow! Is your life a shining example of all aspects of godliness?

God says it is great gain. Wow! Are you content with what you have, if you never got more?

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#### But godliness with contentment is great gain. I Timothy 6:6

Brethren, be followers together of me, and <u>mark them which walk</u> so as ye have us for an ensample.

Philippians 3:17

Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.

Hebrews 13:5

We are showing God's measure of a man against what the world and your flesh thinks!
Worldlings are never content, and your flesh is not either, but this is learned behavior by the gospel of Christ.

Every way of a man is right in his own eyes. Hate every false way you easily think. Every man is filled with pride and justifies his life choices, when all that matters is God's choices for his life in the Bible. 1 Thus saith the LORD, The heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool: where is the house that ye build unto me? and where is the place of my rest?

2 For all those things hath mine hand made, and all those things have been, saith the LORD: <u>but to this man will I look, even to him that is</u> <u>poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at my word</u>. Isaiah 66:1-2

#### Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path. Psalm 119:105

## What is the Measure of a Man? - 1

- <u>Giving Trumps Getting</u> ... he out gives his peers on a percentage basis.
- <u>Diligence Trumps Income</u> ... he works hard and does not envy or fret.
- <u>How Happy Is Your Wife</u>? ... he wins her heart as the daughter of God.
- <u>Are You a Soul Winner</u>? ... he is a tree of life by fruit of changed lives.
- Godliness with Contentment ... he keeps the priorities of life his focus.

You must avoid the danger of losing your soul and the risk of missing His best!

- 7 Two things have I required of thee; deny me them not before I die:8 Remove far from me vanity and lies: give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with food convenient for me:
- 9 Lest I be full, and deny thee, and say, Who is the LORD? or lest I be poor, and steal, and take the name of my God in vain. Proverbs 30:7-9

But Jeshurun waxed fat, and kicked: thou art waxen fat, thou art grown thick, thou art covered with fatness; then he forsook God which made him, and <u>lightly esteemed the Rock of his salvation</u>.

Deuteronomy 32:15

For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? Matthew 16:26 14 But lusted exceedingly in the wilderness, and tempted God in the desert.

15 And he gave them their request; but sent leanness into their soul. Psalm 106:14-15

# He that findeth his life shall lose it: and <u>he that loseth his life for my</u> sake shall find it.

Matthew 10:39

## What is the Measure of a Man? - 2

- How much do you delight in God Himself and how would you prove it?
- How much do you love God and talk about Him to others as Malachi?
- How much are you addicted to God's people to give and serve them?
- How much do you love the house of God and how often do you miss?
- How much do you love pastor and truth to pray, encourage, and help?

You have been taught many spiritual duties over many years affecting your life.

The Bible lists the measures and calls men good and great for keeping them.

# What is the Measure of a Man? - 3

- <u>Blessed are the poor in spirit</u> ... declare your bankruptcy of heart.
- <u>Blessed are they that mourn</u> ... a broken and contrite heart He loves.
- <u>Blessed are the meek</u> ... despise all haughty thoughts to serve others.
- <u>Blessed are the hungry and thirsty</u> ... crave real profit righteousness.
- <u>Blessed are the merciful</u> ... forgive and forget each wrong against you.
- <u>Blessed are the pure in heart</u> ... flush every sinful thought of any kind.
- <u>Blessed are the peacemakers</u> ... resolve all conflicts in all directions.

# What is the Measure of a Man? - 4

- <u>Blessed are the poor in spirit</u> ... theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- <u>Blessed are they that mourn</u> ... they shall be comforted.
- <u>Blessed are the meek</u> ... they shall inherit the earth.
- <u>Blessed are the hungry and thirsty</u> ... they shall be filled.
- <u>Blessed are the merciful</u> ... they shall obtain mercy.
- <u>Blessed are the pure in heart</u> ... they shall see God.
- <u>Blessed are the peacemakers</u> ... they are the children of God.

The Beatitudes define the difference of a Christian and a carnal Christian!

## What is the Measure of a Man? - 5

- Do you delight in each word and love the fabulous details of scripture?
- Do you invest effort, love, and patience to maximize all relationships?
- Are you passionate to get to church, hear preaching, repent, change?
- Forget others ... do you have personal, intimate fellowship with God?
- Is your character perfect, for making more money is a foolish priority?
- How many godly men crave your presence, counsel, and fellowship?

## What is the Measure of a Man? - 6

- Are you so free of envy you can celebrate all other men's superiority?
- Are you so free of bitterness you have no grudges or ill-will against any?
- Do you love mercy so that you forgive and overlook all faults of others?
- Do you walk humbly before God without any desire for recognition?
- Do you walk justly before God, known as a man that is perfectly fair?
- Are all your sins confessed with the care of Elihu and David's prayers?

You have just seen some of God's measures of a man. He will ask you about them.

#### He will not ask you about these things:

Assets or Income Title or Position House or Cars Bodyfat or Fitness Degrees or IQ

You must account of your life ... I must give account of my life ... and your lives! Can you get on your knees to seek God ... humble yourself to make your wife happy ... and work your job today as unto Him ... while not thinking about pay? Can you remember to seek first His kingdom and not let your job or money distract you from Him or righteousness? Lord God my Father, thank you for allowing me to be born in this great nation with all its opportunities and for those you have given me, but do not let my heart wax fat like Jeshurun or have a lean soul like Israel. Will you examine yourself to compare your heart and mind to your first love of Christ ... lest you kick against holy pricks to lightly esteem the Rock of your salvation?

Pastor, I did not get enough measures to work on. Could you give me some more?

#### Thank you for asking.

Please review these 155 slides carefully that I presented to you in 2010 on the same subject, though I did not consult them for this lesson.

http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/make-your-life-count.pdf

#### Thank you for asking.

Please review these 100 slides carefully that I presented to you in 2015 about *Running Your Race*.

http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/running-your-race.pdf

#### Thank you for asking.

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