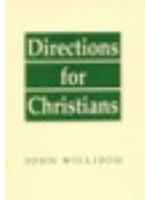


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Live to the glory of Christ

For me to live is Christ (Philippians 1:21)



As you expect to live with Christ in Heaven, study to live to Christ on earth (2 Corinthians 5:15; Philippians 1:21). If you would live to Christ here, then you must make Christ's honour and glory your ultimate end in all your designs and actions, and make your most valuable interests subservient to His interest and glory. Study a universal conformity to Christ's holy laws and precepts, and make it your great business to approve yourselves to Christ in all things: choose the things that please Him and carefully avoid every thing that is displeasing to Him (Psalm 119:39; Isaiah 56:4).

Follow the way of holiness

With purpose of heart they would cleave unto the Lord (Acts 11:23)

Cleave fast to Christ and the way of holiness, whatever it may cost you (Acts 11:23; 2 Timothy 3:12). Think not the worse of Christ and His ways that they are persecuted or reproached and that few do own them. Christ foretold this and says His way is a narrow way that few walk in. Join with the little flock to whom the Kingdom is promised, which will abundantly compensate all your sufferings for Christ. Never follow a multitude to do evil, but cleave to Christ, however few join you.

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