



Sermon Guide

THE MANIFESTATIONS OF GOD'S GLORY

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"God is the one who made all things, and all things are for his glory. He wanted to have many children who would share his glory..." Hebrews 2:10 (NCV)

Goals for this Week's Study

- **Icebreaker:** Describe the last time you had fifteen minutes of fame.
- **Discussion Aim:** Learn Seven different manifestations of God's Glory.

This week we will seek to discover what is the glory of God, how he has revealed his glory, and how we are to live for God's glory.

OPEN YOUR GROUP WITH A PRAYER. THIS IS ONLY A GUIDE – SELECT THE POINTS YOU WANT TO DISCUSS.

WHAT IS THE GLORY OF GOD?

God's glory is _____. It is how he thinks, how he feels, his passion, love, and grace. God's glory is his Personality, Presence, Perfection, Purpose, Plans, Power, and Promises.

God's glory is also _____. *"The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word..."* Hebrew 1:3,

History is the story of God's glory. Throughout history God has revealed himself to us in many ways. Below are the historical examples of how God has revealed his glory. Take a moment to read the verses out loud and briefly discuss what aspect of God's glory is revealed.

SEVEN MANIFESTATIONS OF GOD'S GLORY

1. CREATION: The glory of His _____.
"The heavens tell [they declare] the glory of God. The skies display his marvelous craftsmanship." Psalm 19:1

"For all have sinned and come short of His glory, Romans 3:23,
2. EDEN: The glory of His _____.
God saw all that he had made, and it was very good. And there was evening, and there was morning—the sixth day, Genesis 1:31
3. EXODUS: The glory of His _____.
While Aaron was speaking to the whole Israelite community, they looked toward the desert, and there was the glory of the LORD appearing in the cloud, Exodus 16:7-10
4. MOSES: The glory of His _____.
"Moses said 'Please show me your glory.' God says, 'Moses, nobody could stand to see my face directly and live. But my glory will pass by your cave and I'll cover it with my hand. After I've passed by I'll remove my hand [he's being symbolic here] so you can see my back." Exodus 33:18-23;

“That city has no need of a sun or a moon to reflect the light for the glory of God illuminates the city. And Jesus is its light. And the nations of the earth will walk in its light.” Revelation 21:23

5. TABERNACLE/ TEMPLE: The glory of His _____.

“At last Moses finished the work then a cloud covered the tabernacle and the glorious presence of the Lord filled it. And the tabernacle [this big tent] was filled with the awesome glory of the Lord.” Exodus 40:33-38;

“As the priests came out of the inner sanctuary, a cloud filled the temple of the Lord. And the priests could not continue their work because the glorious presence of the Lord filled the temple.” 1 Kings 8:10-13

And she named the child Ichabod, saying, “The glory has departed from Israel!” because the ark of God had been captured...” 1 Samuel 4:21; Ezekiel, 10:4,

6. JESUS: The glory of His _____.

“The word of God became a human and he lived among us. We saw his glory, the glory that belongs to the only Son of the Father full of grace and truth.” John 1:14

THE MYSTERY OF GOD’S GLORY

7. IN THE CHURCH: The glory of His _____.

“To God be the glory in the church. and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations forever and ever. Amen.” Ephesians 3:20-21.

“...the glorious riches of this mystery is that Christ IN YOU is the hope of glory!” Colossians 1:27

We hold this precious treasure [The glory of God] in jars of clay.” 2 Cor. 4:7

“The same God who said, ‘Let light shine out of the darkness. That same God has now made his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of the glory of God. 2 Corinthians 4:6-8