



## **QA: Does Everything I Do Glorify God?** by [John T Polk II](#)

*All Scriptures and comments are based on the **New King James Version**, unless otherwise noted.*

### **QUESTION: Does everything I do glorify God?**

### **ANSWER: NO.**

#### **1. True, a Christian should glorify God in everything done, but not everything done glorifies God!**

Therefore, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God. (**1 Corinthians 10:31**)

Paul had written:

For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's. (**1 Corinthians 6:20**)

But not everything a Christian does glorifies God:

Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a harlot? Certainly not! Or do you not know that he who is joined to a harlot is one body with her? For "the two," He says, "shall become one flesh." But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with Him. Flee sexual immorality. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body. (**1 Corinthians 6:15-18**)

This shows that not everything a Christian chooses to do is automatically glorifying to God! Just because someone has the ability to, can, commit fornication, doesn't mean God is glorified!

#### **2. No clearer illustration can be drawn than the example of Nadab and Abihu:**

Then Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, each took his censer and put fire in it, put incense on it, and offered profane fire before the LORD, which He had not commanded them. So fire went out from the LORD and devoured them, and they died before the LORD. And Moses said to Aaron, "This is what the LORD spoke, saying: 'By those who come near Me I must be regarded as holy; And before all the people I must be glorified.'" So Aaron held his peace. (**Leviticus 10:1-3**)

Just because they were priests, had censers, and offered fire did not glorify God. God is not glorified unless people honor Him by doing what pleases Him.

### 3. All craftsmanship doesn't glorify God:

For a certain man named Demetrius, a silversmith, who made silver shrines of Diana, brought no small profit to the craftsmen. He called them together with the workers of similar occupation, and said: "Men, you know that we have our prosperity by this trade. Moreover you see and hear that not only at Ephesus, but throughout almost all Asia, this Paul has persuaded and turned away many people, saying that they are not gods which are made with hands." (**Acts 19:24-26**)

Talent or ability to do a thing does not equate with glorifying God! Doing what God approves as "good works" does:

Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. (**Matthew 5:16**)

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