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**Who’s Your One?**

**“For the Sake of His Holy Name”**

**Ezekiel 36: 22-28**

**Big Idea: In our text this morning we see God’s word of promise to bring salvation and do a transforming work in the lives of those who would come and follow Him. In these verses we see from the very mouth of God - the chief and main motivation as to why He acts: the glory and worship of His holy name.**

**God’s primary motivation in the saving work of His people is first and foremost \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and His glory.**

**A \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that centers solely and exclusively on us is a radically different picture than the one the Bible gives to us.**

**The purpose of God’s saving work in the Bible finds its end not in us and our preferences or comfort but rather in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - His glory and in the making much of His name.**

**God is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_of God’s plan. God’s own glory is the end purpose for all that He does.**

**Despite our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, God will act for the sake of His great name, and for those who believe the gospel it will become their great benefit.**

**The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ evidence of God saving someone is an ongoing and increasing separation in their life from sin and to God.**

**Sin is so much a part of us that the Bible says it is our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

**God’s work for us in the gospel is that day by day, year by year, moment by moment, those who know Jesus are continually made into His \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_from one degree of glory to another.**

**We all have a heart of stone unless the Lord acts to replace it with a heart of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

**The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, in the Bible is not the blood pumping organ in your chest. Rather when the Bible talks about the heart it means the core of who we are: mind, soul, and emotions.**

**We \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ God to give us a heart that can feel and receive Him and His callings. We need a heart of flesh.**

**If someone has truly received and understands the gospel then that will be evidenced in a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ life of obedience to Christ that God gives to us.**

**God does not sit back and hope for the salvation of His people – rather He actively \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ it.**

**For God to seek His own glory, chiefly, is right because He is the only one \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of all glory, honor, and praise.**

**Take Home Truth**

**If our God is so deeply concerned about the praise and worship of His name – shouldn’t you and I be as well? If God’s greatest pursuit is the glory of His name, then shouldn’t you and I live our lives toward that great aim too? Shouldn’t we leverage all that we are and shouldn’t we aim all of our lives: our homes, our families, our jobs, and our church, toward this great goal – to live in a way that makes the salvation of God known for the sake of His holy name?**

**Who is your one? Who are sharing this news with?**

**Congregational Reading – Isaiah 48: 9-11**

“For my name's sake I defer my anger; for the sake of my praise, I restrain it for you, that I may not cut you off.

Behold, I have refined you, but not as silver; I have tried you in the furnace of affliction. For my own sake, for my own sake, I do it, for how should my name be profaned? My glory I will not give to another.”

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