



The Chief End of Man





Colossians 3:15-17

Let the peace of Christ [m]rule in your hearts, to which [n]indeed you were called in one body; and [o]be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the word of [p]Christ richly dwell within you, [q]with all wisdom teaching and admonishing [r]one another with psalms *and* hymns *and* spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God. ¹⁷ Whatever you do in word or deed deed, *do* all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father.





AND CAN IT

BE THAT I

SHOULD

GAIN



Luke 18 – Lord Have Mercy

¹¹ The Pharisee stood by himself and prayed: ‘God, I thank you that I am not like this tax collector. ¹² I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.’

¹³ “But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, ‘God, have mercy on me, a sinner.’”

³⁵ As Jesus approached Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging. ³⁶ When he heard the crowd going by, he asked what was happening. ³⁷ They told him, “Jesus of Nazareth is passing by.” ³⁸ He called out, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!”



Kyrie Eleison

- Based on the “Jesus Prayer” the earliest recorded standard prayer in the history of the church, with evidence it was in use by approximately 400 AD
- Formally incorporated into the celebration of the Mass, where it was first sung, around 600 AD
- Lord, have mercy, Christ have mercy



Westminster Shorter

- Compiled around 1646 by leaders of the Church of Scotland in hopes of aligning more closely with the Church of England
- Focused on teaching children the basics of Christian faith
- Over 100 individual points and principles
- Here is the very first one

• MAN'S CHIEF END. •

IS TO

GLORIFY GOD

AND TO

• ENJOY HIM FOREVER. •



John 15:8-9

■ **8** My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit, and *so* [a]prove to be My disciples. **9** Just as the Father has loved Me, I have also loved you; abide in My love. **10** If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love; just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love.

■ **JOHN 13:34** "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. **35** By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."



Good News, YOU ARE

- deeply loved by God,
- fully accepted by God,
- completely and permanently forgiven by God,
- lavishly blessed by God,
- and eternally, perfectly embraced by God as his child; a child who brings Him unspeakable JOY