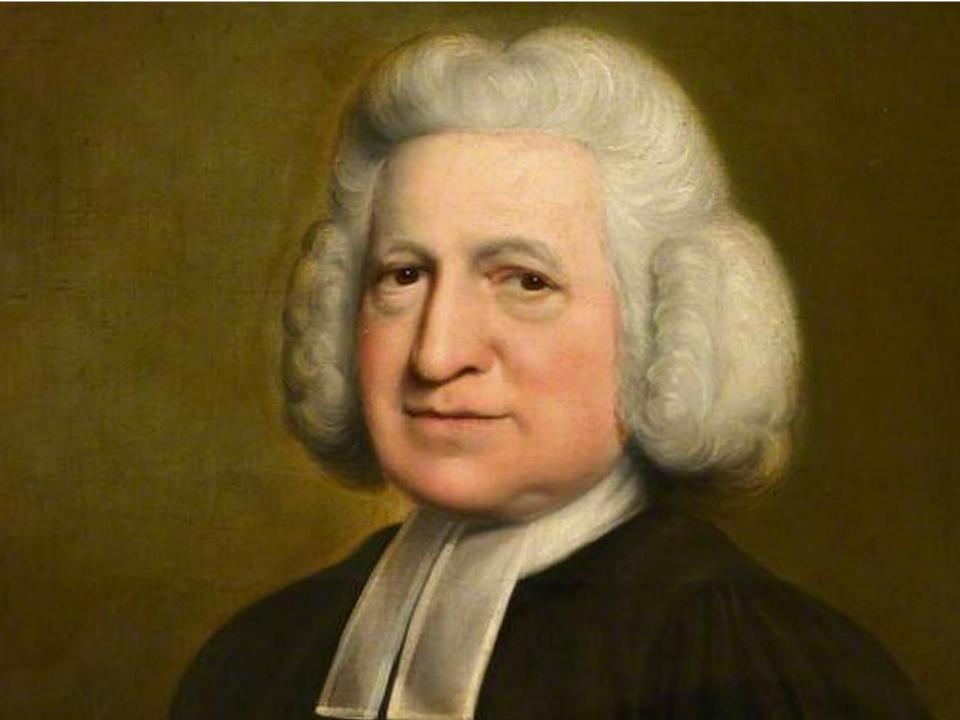
The Chief End of Man



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 [o]Christ richly dwell within you, [q]with all wisdom teaching and admonishing [1] 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!"

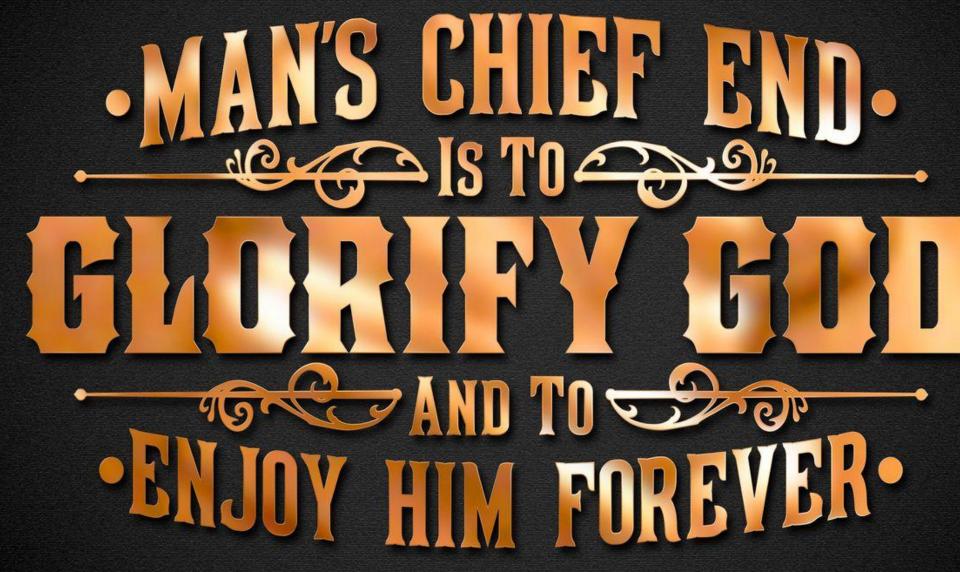
Kyrie Eleison

- 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



John 15:8-9

- 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