

***Our Motive for Obeying God***  
***Judges 4:4-16 and 5:1-5***

Every day we are instructed by God to do \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_; to do what is \_\_\_\_\_. But often, before we act on His instructions, we consider the outcome of our actions to see if we will \_\_\_\_\_.

Judges 4 tells the story of the judge Deborah, and a man she called to help her fight a battle, Barak. Barak, though warned that he would not \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ for a particular victory in battle, goes on to fight anyway. Chapter 5 is the song of Deborah and Barak in which they credit God, not themselves, for the victory.

God instructed Deborah to tell Barak to gather and lead an army to oppose King Jabin and his military leader Sisera, and God would give them the \_\_\_\_\_. Barak insisted that Deborah go with him. Clearly, Barak showed some \_\_\_\_ regarding the command of God, but as God always does, He honored His \_\_\_\_\_. He will always honor His word when we obey, even when we \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ along the way. Today is the day for \_\_\_\_\_. Obey God. Do what His word says is right.

Our motive for doing the right thing, for doing God's will, shouldn't be \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ but to show \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ to the world. God Himself defined His glory in Exodus 34 as His \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ nature.

In Scripture, our role in bringing glory to God is specifically to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ in such a way that people become aware of God's \_\_\_\_\_, grace, goodness, forgiveness, and \_\_\_\_\_.

In **Phil. 2:15**, Paul challenges believers to be like \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_. The word "shine" means to reflect. As we experience the glory of God for ourselves—His compassion, grace, goodness, forgiveness, and salvation—we should not desire just to \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ for ourselves but to \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ so that the world can see Him for who He is and glorify Him.

What is your albedo—your \_\_\_\_\_ of God's glory? Are you only \_\_\_\_\_ it, or are you \_\_\_\_\_ it?