

PLEASING GOD – WHAT PLEASURES GOD – THURSDAY

- **What truly pleases the Lord? Our prosperity pleases the Lord-*Ps35:27-Let the Lord be magnified which has pleasure in the prosperity (health, prosperity, happy, well, peace) of his servant***
 - God is pleased when we are doing well-When we aren't doing well He's not pleased
 - Many believe He takes pleasure in our struggling-Gets something out of us hurting
 - Say this: My prosperity pleases the Lord – He doesn't like it when I'm not doing well
- **Any conduct (way of thinking, talking, believing acting) that threatens our prosperity, that kind of conduct is not pleasing to the Lord**
 - God's not just concerned about behavior-He's concerned about your well being-Any behavior that jeopardizes your well being He doesn't like, is not pleased with
 - It's what the behavior produces that makes displeasing to the Lord
 - God's against sin because it'll destroy your life-*Rm6:22-The wages of sin is death*
 - God is not looking to be irritated with His people-He's loving, merciful, patient and kind; He's displeased with them because they're conducting themselves in a way that is keeping them from their prosperity-*Hb3:17-With whom was he grieved (irritated) forty years? Was it not with them that had sinned, whose carcasses fell in the wilderness*
- **Right conduct results in prosperity and so it pleases the Lord-*Pr21:21-NIV-Whoever pursues righteousness and love finds life, prosperity and honor***
 - It's what the behavior produces that makes it pleasing to the Lord-Living in line with the Word it leads to your prosperity and God takes pleasure in that-**Js1:8**
 - Grace & Faith-We teach them right behavior b/c we want life to go well for them; When they act right it blesses us b/c we know the behavior results in their prosperity