

Did Christ Please You?

Romans 15:1-7

The Directive: Please your neighbor

Ultimate, Penultimate, and Subordinate

Why do we please our neighbor?

Did Christ please us?

The Ultimate Aim

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1. What do you consider to be healthy foods?
2. Why do you save money for retirement?
3. Why do you raise respectful children?
4. Consider the reasons you gave for the previous questions. Were they subordinate reasons? Can you rank them in an order of importance? Did you ever name or find the ultimate reason?
5. Romans 15:1 – Is pleasing ourselves – doing something that is sinful?
6. Romans 15:2 – Why do we please our neighbor? Is pleasing our neighbor the ultimate goal?
7. Romans 15:3 quotes from Ps 69. Read Ps 69:6-13. For whose sake did David endure reproach?
8. How does Christ example help us please our brothers and sisters? Is his example one of pleasing us ultimately?
9. Name some of the benefits we receive through the death of Christ when we are saved.
10. Were these benefits the ultimate aim of Christ or are they subordinate to the ultimate?