

Sermon Summary
5th of Easter 2013
28th April 2013

- This morning's reading from John (13:31-35) raises the question of what is meant by glory.
- For many, glory is something which is done in worship, by singing or giving praise to God, for example,
- But to do this limits "glorifying God" to specific acts of worship.
- Its analogous to the use of "prayer"
- "Prayer", says Paul, should be continuous, not just restricted to specific acts of prayer.
- Paul means an attentiveness to God, which means life is lived constantly aware of what God is wishing from us.
- "Glory" can break out of the confines of worship if we look at what it means in broader terms, not just church-speak (to copy Orwell in 1984).
- "Glory" means giving due place or respect.
- Glorifying God means, in this broader sense, not just worshipping God, but giving Him His due place in all the choices and moments of life.
- It means "am I making God my chief priority in what I am choosing to do just now?"
- So, "glorifying God" isn't just something for worship, but about all the choices and decisions which we make.

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