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"People Pleasing"

(Matt 21: 23-27)



A life of <u>preservation</u> seeks to <u>please people</u>

- Preservation asks, "What is best for me?"
- Preservation stifles the truth

A life of <u>proclamation</u> seeks to <u>please God</u>

- Proclamation spreads the truth
- Proclamation asks, "What is best for others?"

How do we live a life of <u>proclamation</u> when our every inclination leads us towards <u>preservation</u>?

Proper perspective ...

- prevents people pleasing
- produces proclamation

[&]quot;But just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel, so we speak, not to please man, but to please God who tests our hearts."

1 Thessalonians 2:4