Read 1 Corinthians 3:10-15. What does this have to say about human activity and the day of judgment?

What does it mean to "take up your cross?" What are some areas of life where we should set aside our own will to seek and accomplish God's will? How can we be sure it's God's will and not our own?



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## Scripture References

Luke 19:11-27 • 2 Corinthians 5:10-11; 20

Matthew 16:24-27 • Ephesians 2:8-10

1) The Bible teaches that God has \_\_\_\_\_, and

all of us will stand before him at the judgment.

2) Grace means \_\_\_\_\_\_ favor. We do not have to

earn salvation, it is a \_\_\_\_\_ of God.

3) Although God accepts broken people into his family, he will not

us that way. He intends to make us \_\_\_\_\_\_.

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- 4) Our cross is not some difficult situation that happens to us;
  - it's a \_\_\_\_\_\_ we make to set aside self and \_\_\_\_\_\_

ourselves to the call of God.

5) God has given us a mission, a responsibility - to be his

\_\_\_\_\_, proclaiming Christ to the world.

6) GBC's Marks of Discipleship, #3:

A willingness to sacrificially give of our

\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.

7) Sacrifice: "the act of offering something \_\_\_\_\_\_

to a deity."

8) We will be called to give an \_\_\_\_\_\_ for how well we

have served God using the gifts we have been given.

## **Small Group Discussion Questions**

Please try to think these over and jot down some ideas prior to discussing them at the meeting, it will improve the discussion.



Everyone is willing to acknowledge that "no one is perfect." With that in mind, why is it so hard for people to admit their weaknesses? Why do people hate it when someone makes a judgment about them?

The sermon mentioned sacrificial giving of time, talent, and treasure. Which of these is hardest for you to accomplish? Which is easiest?

If Grace means that salvation is a gift of God that cannot be earned, is there any conflict in your mind between the idea of judgment and the idea of grace?

Read James 2:14-26. How does this passage affect the question of faith and being judged for good or evil deeds?