

## LIVING FOR AN AUDIENCE OF ONE

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John 5:44

Everyone wants to be loved. We want to be accepted. We seek to be affirmed. We want to know that others think that we have value and worth but the problem with that is we forget that we were created to live for an audience of one.

It really doesn't matter how many people approve of us in this world, what really matters is, do we have the approval of God?

You've heard me say before, "It doesn't matter who I please if God is displeased and it doesn't really matter who I displease if God is pleased."

That's important for every one of us to know and to never forget.

There is no higher approval that a person can enjoy and take comfort in than to know that he or she is pleasing to God.

The man Christ Jesus was resolute and determined in living out His life, to die for the sins of the world. He wasn't intimidated by the religious leaders. He wasn't insecure because of their opposition; instead He intentionally moved toward the cross; that was His purpose; that was what He came to this earth to do.

Jesus said, "I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me."

Jesus understood what His purpose was and who it was that He had to please.

Jesus asked the question to the Pharisees in John 5:44 How can ye believe, which receive honor one of another, and seek not the honor that cometh from God only?

Jesus knew the answer to that question. You can't! The Jews couldn't and neither can we. We have to decide who are we going to live for? Who do you want to please?

I want to live my life for an audience of One!