#### **CrossWinds Church - EFCA**

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GRACE → GRATITUDE → GLORY

# How do I live a life that brings glory to God?

I bring glory to God by living out my calling.

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, Ephesians 4:1 (ESV)

## I bring glory to God with my character.

with all <u>humility</u> and <u>gentleness</u>, with <u>patience</u>, <u>bearing with one another in love</u>, Ephesians 4:2 (ESV)

#### 1. Humility

Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, <u>but in humility count others more</u> significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. Philippians 2:3–7 (ESV)

Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Philippians 2:9–11 (ESV)

#### 2. Gentleness

#### 3. Patience

The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, <u>but is</u> <u>patient toward you</u>, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance. 2 Peter 3:9 (ESV)

## 4. Bearing with one another in love

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## I bring glory to God by living in community.

eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. Ephesians 4:3–6 (ESV)



#### Conclusion

# From Grace to Gratitude to Glory