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We must **wake up** to one of the fundamental purposes of our lives: to give glory to God! Self reliance places emphasis on us and off Christ; ultimately our self reliance robs Jesus of His glory.

RESPONSIBILITY VS. SELF-RELIANCE

Definitions: *Responsibility is the obligation to carry forward an assigned task to a successful conclusion. With responsibility goes authority to direct and take the necessary action to ensure success.*

This distinction between self-reliance and responsibility falls on either side of a very thin line. Biblical responsibility will always move us from self-reliance toward Christ-reliance!

The bottom line difference, then, can usually be determined by honestly answering one question: *who gets the credit when things go right?*

GOD'S STRATEGY

God's plan is to teach us to rely on Christ! This may mean removing all we naturally trust in so His Word becomes revelation!

John 15:1-8

Who gets the glory in *your* life?

PAUL'S EXPERIENCE

2 Corinthians 1: 8-10

_____ is the pathway from _____ to _____

INDICATORS OF SELF- RELIANCE

- We take the _____
(John 15:5)
- We _____ others
(Philippians 2:14,15)
- We live in the _____
(I Corinthians 15:9,10)
- We _____

INDICATORS OF CHRIST RELIANCE

- _____
- _____ to others
- The _____