

(I) JESUS' PART IN BRINGING GLORY TO THE FATHER

1. In fulfillment of the Scriptures

"And He began to say to them, 'Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.' " **Luke 4:21**

2. In faithfulness to His Mission

"Jesus said to them, 'My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work.' "
John 4:34

3. In full submission to God as the Messiah Servant

"Behold, My Servant shall deal prudently...

*Because He poured out His soul unto death,
And He was numbered with the transgressors,
And He bore the sin of many,
And made intercession for the transgressors."* **Isaiah 52:13; 53:12**

(II) OUR PART IN BRINGING GLORY TO THE FATHER

1. Through works

"Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do, he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father" **John 14:12**

a) Through faith in the Lord Jesus

b) Through doing the works that Jesus did

*"The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me,
Because He has anointed Me
To preach the gospel to the poor;
He has sent me to heal the brokenhearted
To proclaim liberty to the captives
And recovery of sight to the blind,
To set at liberty those who are oppressed;
To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD."* **Luke 4:18**

c) Through greater works

i) Missions work

ii) Massive work of reaching out to people all over the world (**Matthew 28:19-20**)

d) Through prayer

*“And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask anything in My name, I will do it.” **John 14:13-14***

- i) Believing in prayer
- ii) Believing in the promise of the Lord Jesus
- iii) Beholding God answering prayer
- iv) Bringing glory to God through answered prayers

(III) REFLECTING ON 2008

1. Have we been faithfully doing God's work?
2. Have we brought much glory to God?

(IV) RE-VISIONING 2009

1. Let there be a Vision of bringing glory to God
2. Let there be Vigor in fulfilling our Vision of bring glory to God
3. Let there be Victory in our attempts to bring glory to God