

**Experiencing God:  
What Will Be  
the Center of My Life?  
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**I. The Usual Approach**

**Proverbs 19:21 (NLT)** - *"You can make many plans, but the LORD's purpose will prevail."*

**Understanding what God is about to do where I am is more important than telling God what I want to do for Him.**

**Psalm 81:13-14 (NLT)** - *"Oh, that my people would listen to me! Oh, that Israel would follow me, walking in my paths! <sup>14</sup> How quickly I would then subdue their enemies! How soon my hands would be upon their foes!"*

**John 15:5b (NLT)** - *"For apart from me you can do nothing."*

## II. The Correct Approach

**Luke 17:7-10 (NLT)** – *“When a servant comes in from plowing or taking care of sheep, does his master say, ‘Come in and eat with me?’<sup>8</sup> No, he says, ‘Prepare my meal, put on your apron, and serve me while I eat. Then you can eat later.’<sup>9</sup> And does the master thank the servant for doing what he was told to do? Of course not.<sup>10</sup> In the same way, when you obey me you should say, ‘We are unworthy servants who have simply done our duty.’”*

## III. God is at Work

**1 Timothy 2:3-4 (NLT)** – *“This is good and pleases God our Savior,<sup>4</sup> who wants everyone to be saved and to understand the truth.”*

**2 Peter 3:9 (NLT)** – *“The Lord isn’t really being slow about his promise, as some people think. No, he is being patient for your sake. He does not want anyone to be destroyed, but wants everyone to repent.”*

**Matthew 28:19 (NLT)** – *“Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations.”*

**Romans 12:1 (NLT)** – *“And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him.”*