

## ***"When The Glory Departs"***

*Wednesday Evening Adult Class by Ray Reynolds (October 23, 2013)*

Introduction: On Sunday morning we focused mainly on Hannah, Samuel, Eli, and his boys, but we covered a small detail that I think is VERY significant. They lost the Ark. What is so significant about that event? After this event, Eli's grandson ends up with a powerful name: "The Glory has departed." I want us to ask ourselves 3 questions about the glory of God. Let's study together.....

Discussion:

### ***I. When Does The Glory Leave?***

- A. When people box up God.  
**Acts 7:48, Acts 17:24, I Samuel 4-7**
- B. When people give their loyalty to other gods.  
**Matthew 6:33, Exodus 20:1-6**
- C. When people neglect to give God the glory.  
**Psalm 86:9, Psalm 86:12, Revelation 4:11**

### ***II. When Does The Glory Return?***

- A. When God's people mourn the glory will return.  
**I Samuel 7:2, Psalm 51:10**
- B. When God's people seek Him the glory will return.  
**I Samuel 7:3, Hebrews 11:6**
- C. When God's people put away foreign gods the glory will return.  
**I Samuel 7:3-4, Joshua 24:20**
- D. When God's people pray the glory will return.  
**I Samuel 7:5, II Chronicles 7:14**
- E. When God's people repent the glory will return.  
**I Samuel 7:5-6, Ezekiel 18:30**
- F. When God's people confess the glory will return.  
**I Samuel 7:6, Psalm 32:5**

### ***III. What Can I Learn About This Glory?***

- A. God prepares for the glory.
- B. Satan attacks the glory.
- C. The church should pray for the glory.

Conclusion: What will you do with the glory? Israel engaged in prayer and followed the right steps. In order to receive the glory we must follow the steps to God. In order to keep the glory we have to continue follow God's lead. Will you follow the Lord?