

## **Beholding His Glory**

To behold means more than just to *see*—it means to gaze upon with attention, admiration, and affection.

The glory of God is the visible, radiant expression of God's character and presence.

## **We Become Whole**

To become whole means to be restored to the image and likeness of Christ, the perfect image of God.

Mental and Emotional brokenness often comes from **false images** — of God, of ourselves, or of the world:

- We see God as harsh instead of gracious. Ex.34:6
- We see ourselves as worthless instead of beloved. Jn17:23
- We see the world as chaos instead of under God's care. Isa.54:10

When we behold Christ:

- Shame gives way to acceptance. Rom.8:1
- Fear gives way to trust. 1John 4:18
- Chaos gives way to peace. Isa.26:3-4
- Self-hatred gives way to gratitude. Ps.139:14

Seeing and Savoring God's Glory restores a right view of reality — and that's the foundation of mental and emotional health (Wholeness/Holiness/Christlikeness).

### **Growing Notes**

Icebreaker: Have you ever thought of Wholeness (Holiness) as the most pleasurable and exhilarating quality of life you could ever live?

What difference would it make if you did?

Read 2Cor.3:1-18. Review the sermon notes under...

What The Gospel Does:

How does the Gospel change our hearts?

How does the Gospel give us life?

How does the Gospel make us more and more Glorious?

How The Gospel Does It:

What does it mean to Behold God's Glory?

What does it mean to Become Whole?

How can we practice beholding the glory of the Lord in practical ways this week (through worship, Scripture, creation, gratitude, etc.)? Pray.



# Coming Up

## 2025

OCT  
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**ENCOUNTERS IN  
EVANGELISM**

Register online

OCT  
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**BLOOD DRIVE**

OCT  
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**DB FALL FESTIVAL**

**WED 5:30-7:30PM**

Bring your family for a fun filled tiem with us! Go to dbcc.com for more info.

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**SIGNS OF FREEDOM  
THURS.6:30PM**

New Session Begins

NOV  
1

**DB LADIES SOUP SWAP  
SAT.9AM  
COMMUNITY HALL**

Register online

NOV  
2

**STARTING POINT  
SUN 9AM  
CONFERENCE RM**

Register online

NOV  
9

**LADIES FALL EVENT  
DWELLING IN THE  
SECRET PLACE**

Register online

NOV  
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**SURVIVING THE  
HOLIDAYS  
THURS. 7PM  
FAMILY ROOM**

You are not alone

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Oct. 18/19  
2025

**God is > My Highs/Lows**  
“Becoming Whole” (2Cor.3:1-18)

Ray Davis

## **CURRENT SERIES**

### **God > My Highs/Lows – 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians**

#### **DO YOU NEED PRAYER?**

- >Elders/Pastors available after every service to pray with you.
  - >Call the church office to be added to the prayer chain.
  - >Sunday night prayer meeting 6pm, in the lobby
- >Elders meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed. monthly, Elders available for prayer and anointing.

*James 5:14 Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord.*



Our Café is open 45 minutes before each service. You can order online through the QR code below.



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We live in a very broken world filled with sin and suffering. None of us are exempt. But the Gospel (Christ Jesus) can transform us, heal us, and satisfy us—making us whole like nothing else!

Wholeness (Holiness/Christlikeness) is the most pleasurable and exhilarating quality of life in existence. We are called to live fascinated in the superior pleasures of experiencing God’s love for us and our love for Him that overflows into loving people (1Pet. 1:16).

Background: Paul isn’t just teaching theology—he’s defending his ministry. Some people (likely Judaizers) were criticizing Paul for not having “letters of recommendation” or for not keeping the old Mosaic customs. They were trying to pull believers back under the old covenant system of law.

**WHAT GOD DOES:** (v1-16) A covenant relationship with God is unilateral: He initiates it, He implements it, and He guarantees it. The only role we play is to either to accept it or reject it.

#### **God Changes Hearts.** (v1–3)

“You yourselves are our letter of recommendation, written on our hearts, to be known and read by all. And you show that you are a letter from Christ delivered by us, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts.” (v2-3) John 16:8-11; 2Cor.5:14-15

#### **God Gives Life.** (v4–6)

“(God) who has made us sufficient to be ministers of a new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit. For the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.” (v6) John 14:6; John 17:3; Jer.9:23-24

#### **God Makes Us More and More Glorious.** (v7–16)

“For if what was being brought to an end came with glory, much more will what is permanent have glory.” (v11) Prov.4:18-19

#### **HOW GOD DOES IT:** (v17-18)

“Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.” (v17-18)