

Daily Devotion For December 23, 2021

<sup>13</sup> Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, <sup>14</sup> **“Glory to God in the highest,** and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.” Luke 2:13-14

Way back when I was in high school and participated in team sports, occasionally I would encounter individuals who wanted **“all the glory.”** In basketball, they were the ones who wanted to take control of the ball, take the most shots and score the most points. People called them “ball hogs.” They were hungry for the recognition and status that being the best player brings.

At Christmas we remember that the angel praised God saying, “Glory to God in the highest.” The Word glory in Latin is **“Doxa”** which means to illumine. As Christians we are not to seek glory for ourselves but to shine a light on God so that others might see Him more clearly.

If we were in a dark room and I shined a flashlight on you, I would be illumining or illuminating you. That is what we as Christians are called to do. Not to shine a light on us so that we get the glory, but to shine a light on God so that by our attitudes and actions, others will see Him more clearly.

**Thought For Today:** In Sunday School we used to sing, “This little light of mine, I’m going to let it shine.” Where is your light shining, upon you or upon God?

**Today’s Prayer Focus:** Pray that this Christmas we will be shining a light on Jesus so that others will see him more clearly. Deo Volente.