



# CBCYG Goals

Bible Study 2024

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- 4. You must be truly born again.**



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**Working through the questions in Day 1 of the packet, which side of the equation do you think we most actively work to change in others?**

- Actions and priorities b/c just want them to do what we want them to do
- But not getting to the root means the weeds will come back
- Prioritize actions because we think the person knows better
- Prioritize actions/priorities because easy to see (the other takes a lot of work)
- Depends on how close you are to person – if not close, then scarier/more uncertain to walk into belief/value land – perhaps if know them better, willing to try to talk about beliefs and values



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**What happens if you try to change what someone does without changing what they believe or value?**

- Changes only what they do, not what they really think
- Alienates you from them—they might do what you want, but will try to stay away and perhaps have anger/resentment
- It will grow back, perhaps even more



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**What would make you care about what you believe or value?**

- If I really believed that beliefs or values were attached to actions and priorities;
- As Christians, we know we have a final word/objective truth—then would realize that actions are a reflection of their hearts, and we must care about their hearts because that's what God cares about—will judge them on basis of their hearts
- Hearing other's talk about beliefs/values can help us to figure out our own beliefs and values
- When it affects you –
  - Shame/sadness with actions, but often don't look past feelings to figure out what drove those actions
  - When see success that comes from having right beliefs/values – (be careful, must look to eternity to see fullness of benefits)
- We should care about where people will end up



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**What would make you care about what you believe or value? (CONTINUED)**

- God; should care to find the reasons behind people's actions and priorities.
- How can you say that you are following the same God if you find that you have totally different actions and priorities – this should lead you to caring that others have the same beliefs about God and so you should be willing to think about your own beliefs and values as you interact with them
- If you want to have common goals and identity, you should care what they believe or value
- No matter how much you try to hide your beliefs/values, they will come out; follow your priorities or your crisis to the roots to see what you really believe
- Every interaction we have with others is affected by our beliefs/values, therefore, to care for another person is to care about what they believe or value



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**What would make you care about what you believe or value? (CONTINUED)**

- If you care how their beliefs will affect the people around them
- When you recognize that others are not having same identity and goals as the rest of the group
- When you see that what they value is different than what God values—that matters to God, so it should matter to you
- Should care where they are going
- If you want to know, then you will care where others are coming from
- Getting past your own insecurities so that you realize it really matters where you are heading -



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**What should make us want to care for what other's believe or value?**

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- God cares
- Care where they are heading/you are heading
- When affecting you/people around you/them
- Gain knowledge – strengthens what you believe/know how to care for others if know what makes up what they believe or value



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**What equations can you make from John 3:36? What else can you conclude from these clear statements?**

- Belief = life
- Disobedience = no life
- Disobedience = wrath of God
  
- Obedience = no wrath
- Obedience = belief
- No belief = no life



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**What equations can you make from John 3:36? What else can you conclude from these clear statements?**

- If belief include obedience, then how much obedience required for saving faith (scary)
- Does my attitude matter when I obey
- Is it if focusing on every act of obedience or a disposition to believe
- What if I obey but don't quite believe it and want to believe it?
- If I believe but only sometimes obey, then I should go back and study my beliefs
- Why is it hard for us to obey and believe?





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**Are there any questions that arise from looking at these statements and your connections that you find?**

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## What three equations can you make from Matthew 22:36-40?

- Love for neighbor = same way you love self
- Love God with all your heart = greatest commandment
- First and second commandment = foundation for the whole law

What questions come to mind?

- If I still have sinful nature, how can I love God with my whole heart?
- What if I don't love myself, how can I love my neighbor?
- How do we love neighbors when don't want to love them?
- What if I'm uncertain of who God is? How can I love Him?
- How do you love your neighbor if you already love God with your whole heart?
- If whole law of God defined around love, then how do you define God's love?
- How do we love those that don't want to be loved or make it hard to love?
- How do we love a God we don't see more than we love the people/things we do see?
- How do we love our neighbor if they don't love us?
- What if we color outside the lines of these words from God? Then what ARE our lines when we talk about God and love?

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## **What beliefs are stopping you from the priorities you think you should have?**

- Comparing your beliefs to others because you think theirs are better
- The fruit of the priorities I should have are far away and it will take a lot of trouble to get there; but fruit from other stuff I can get right now
- Lack of belief in God and what He promises us and lack of belief in what He says we are capable of
- Belief that I need to feel joy right now
- The fact that you don't believe what God believes is important for your life AND we fool ourselves into thinking we DO value what God values
- Our priorities aren't just what we like, but what we think we need



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**How does our statement (What you believe/value . . .) fit with their motivation for asking this question of Jesus?**

- Wanted to know what was most important in the LAW – wanted to know priority of law; value the law and priority of law
- Valued being on top and in charge – asked the question to trap Jesus
- They believed Jesus was giving false information; therefore proving that Jesus was wrong
- Matt. 21:12 – Jesus overturns the tables, 12:38-39 – evil and adulterous generation asks for a sign – THEY want peace and control which puts them against Jesus's words



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## What would make Jesus' answer difficult for them?

- Caring for others in the way God prescribed was not on their agenda of how to love God
- Because that's not the Law they wanted to follow
- If they know they are sinful, then how could they do this? When were they loving God like this?
- They wanted specific rule that only they knew – He gave general command
- When arguing, talk about what you know more than the other; Jesus answers in a way that stumped them in their own place of excellence



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**What happens if we don't take these words seriously and see the whole discussion about the law and the prophets by a bunch of Pharisees talking to Jesus as irrelevant?**

- If we don't follow these words from Jesus, it will lead away from God (lawyer up away from God even with His words)



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## List some positive actions commanded by God from Deuteronomy 6:1-15

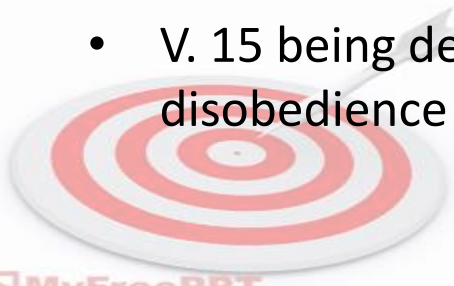
- Obeying these commands will lead to long life
- If listen and do it, you will have increase
- Show fear of the Lord by obeying these commands
- V. 6 – these words will be on your heart
- Keep statutes and commands
- Listen to God to obey
- Teach your children
- Write them on the doorposts, as frontals on your forehead



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**What is the greatest danger mentioned toward the end of this passage and what results from not heeding this warning?**

- Following other gods results in being wiped off face of the earth
- Forgetting that all good things you have come from God
- Treating God disrespectfully—not fearing Him by treating Him as on same level or beneath you
- Forget God
- Distracted by other values
- Do not forget the suffering that God delivered you from
- Forgetting the source of your deliverance
- Being satisfied with all that you have so that you forget the Lord
- Allowing the others around you to sway you away from God
- V. 15 being destroyed by the anger of God because of your inattention to His words and subsequent disobedience





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## **What are evidences that we don't take this warning very seriously?**

- Live like there is nothing you HAVE to do
- You only care about God when you need/want Him; when things are good, you don't need Him
- When just hanging in/trying to make the best of, okay I guess
- Always looking for THAT, then looking for the next THAT
- Live “in the face of” God's commands
- Jn. 3:36 - take this to mean that I can “believe in the Son” whenever I want to --



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**What happens to the positive commands in this passages when we are sloppy with this warning and what does this show about our beliefs/values?**

- How can you fear someone that you don't want to talk to/listen to/be with
- Other people and values will be more important than God
- Instead of God AND, it will be AND more than God
- If forget God's words, then play telephone (God's words are distorted)
- If you are against God, then saying that you are as great or greater and there is no reason to fear Him;

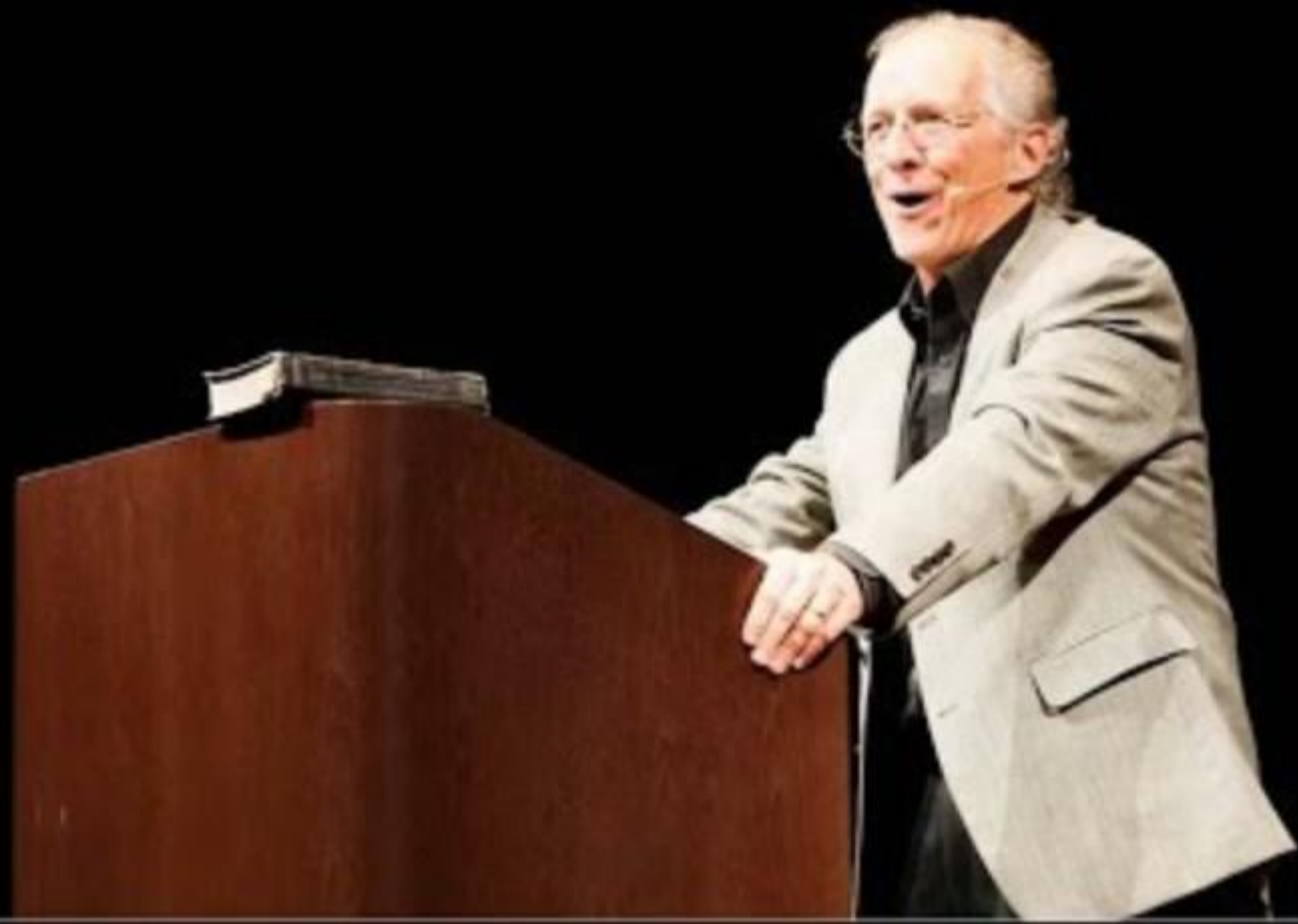


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**How does I Peter 1:13-16 fit with our discussion so far?**

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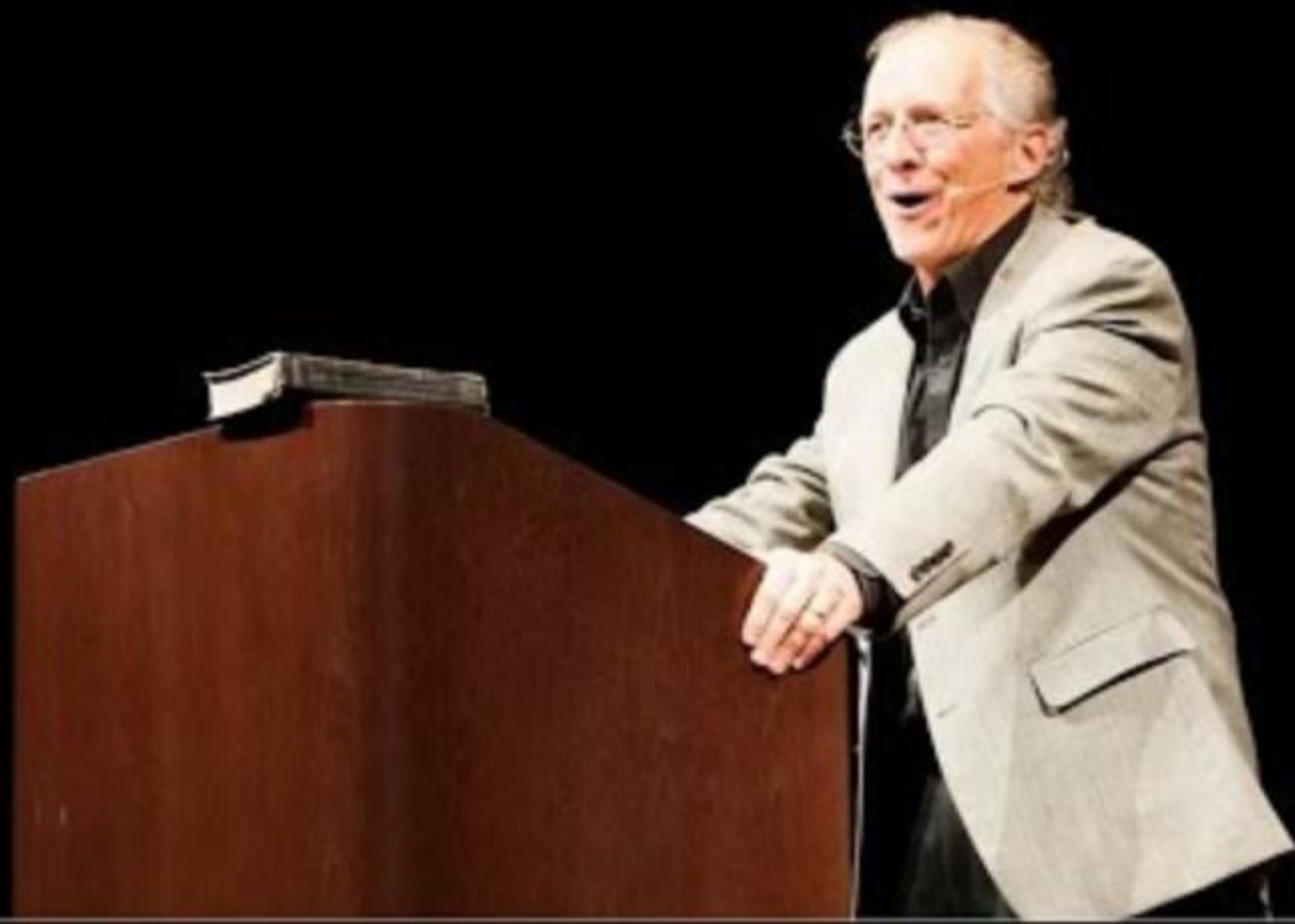




Why does John Piper make the affection of the heart as the goal, and the right use of the mind a subordinate servant?

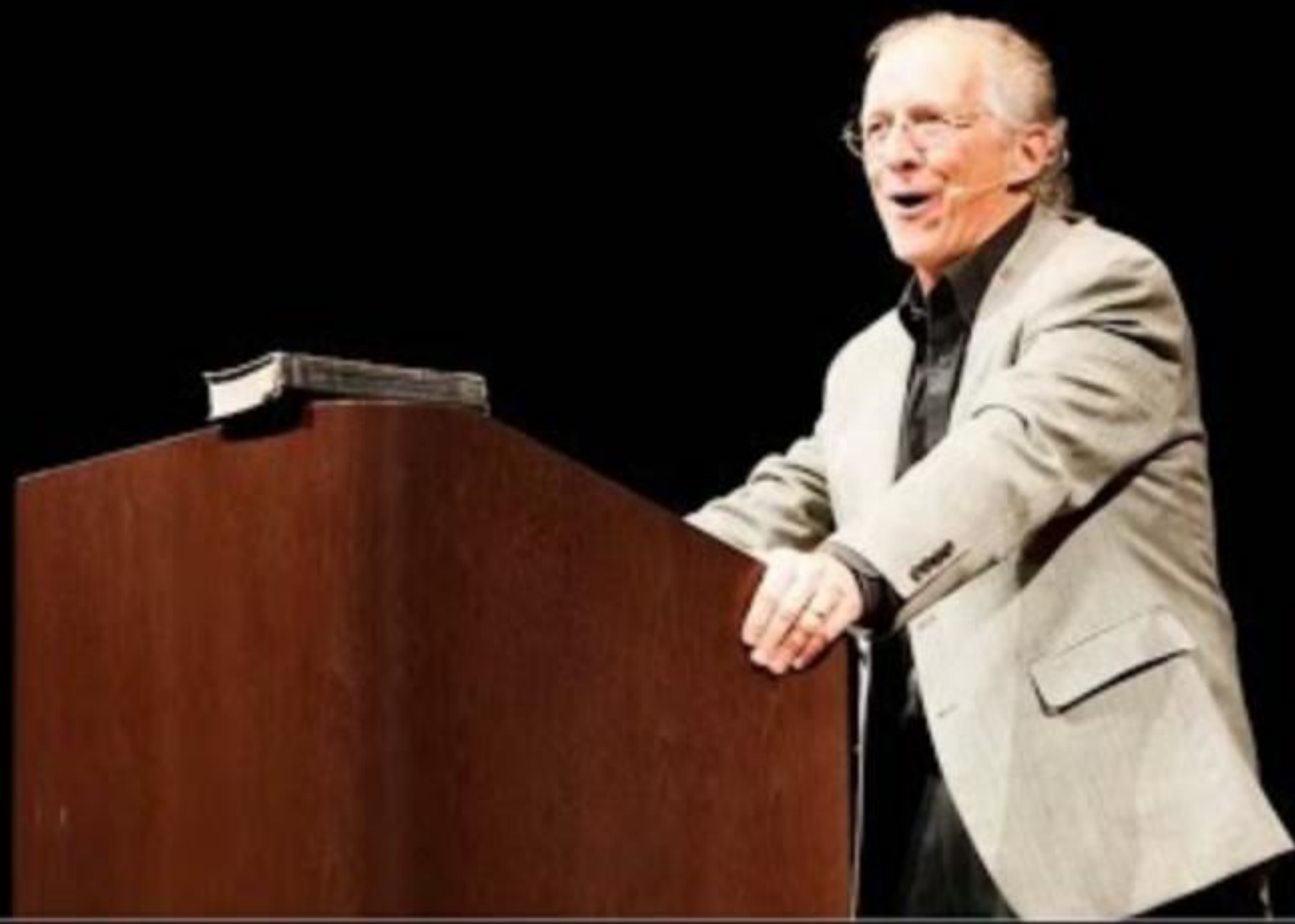
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- **It's the structure of biblical thought**
- **Without the heart being in the right place, we won't seek to have the right thoughts**



Why doesn't John Piper show action or behavior within the order as the goal (Mind meant to serve the affections to bear fruit in behavior)?

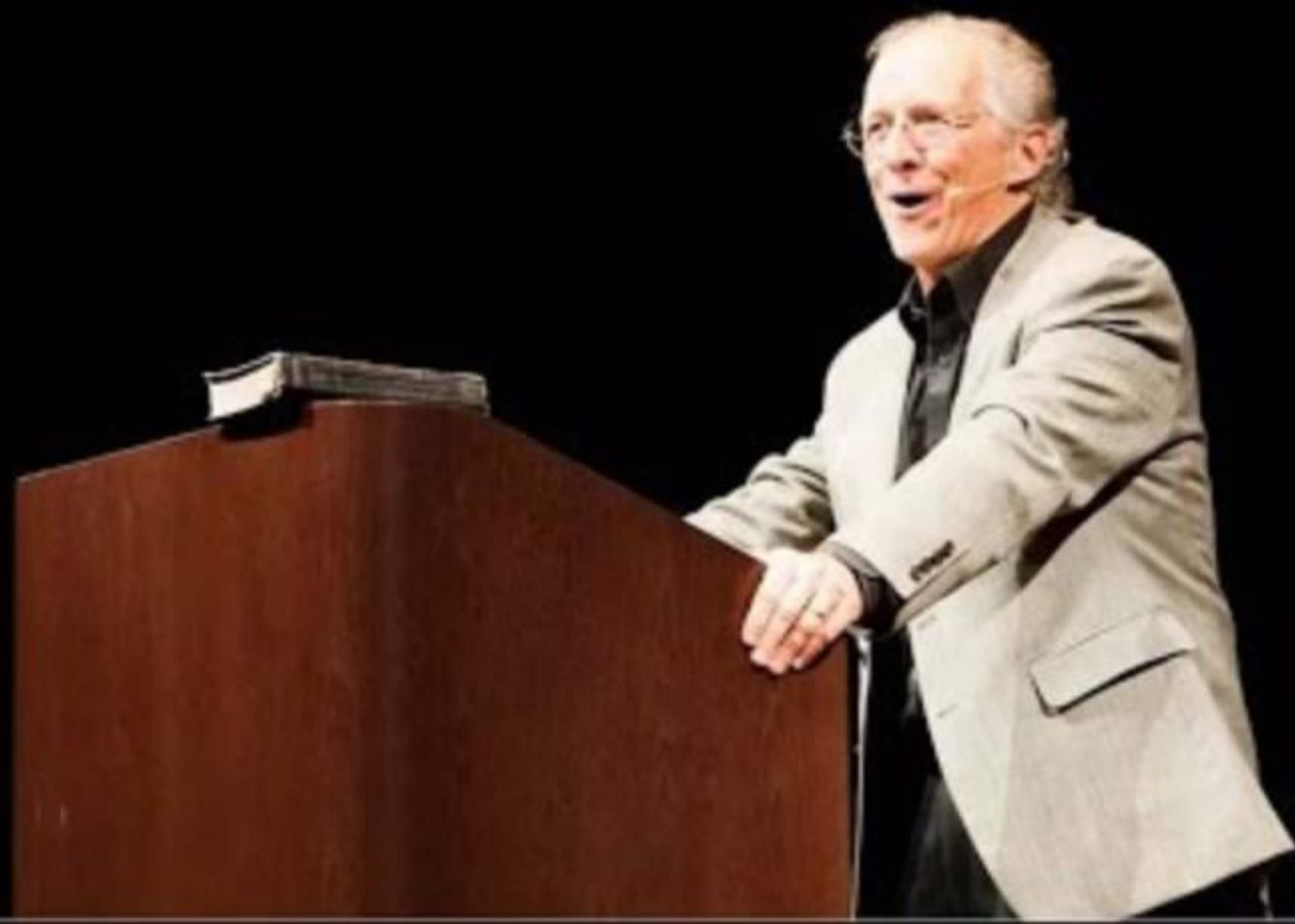
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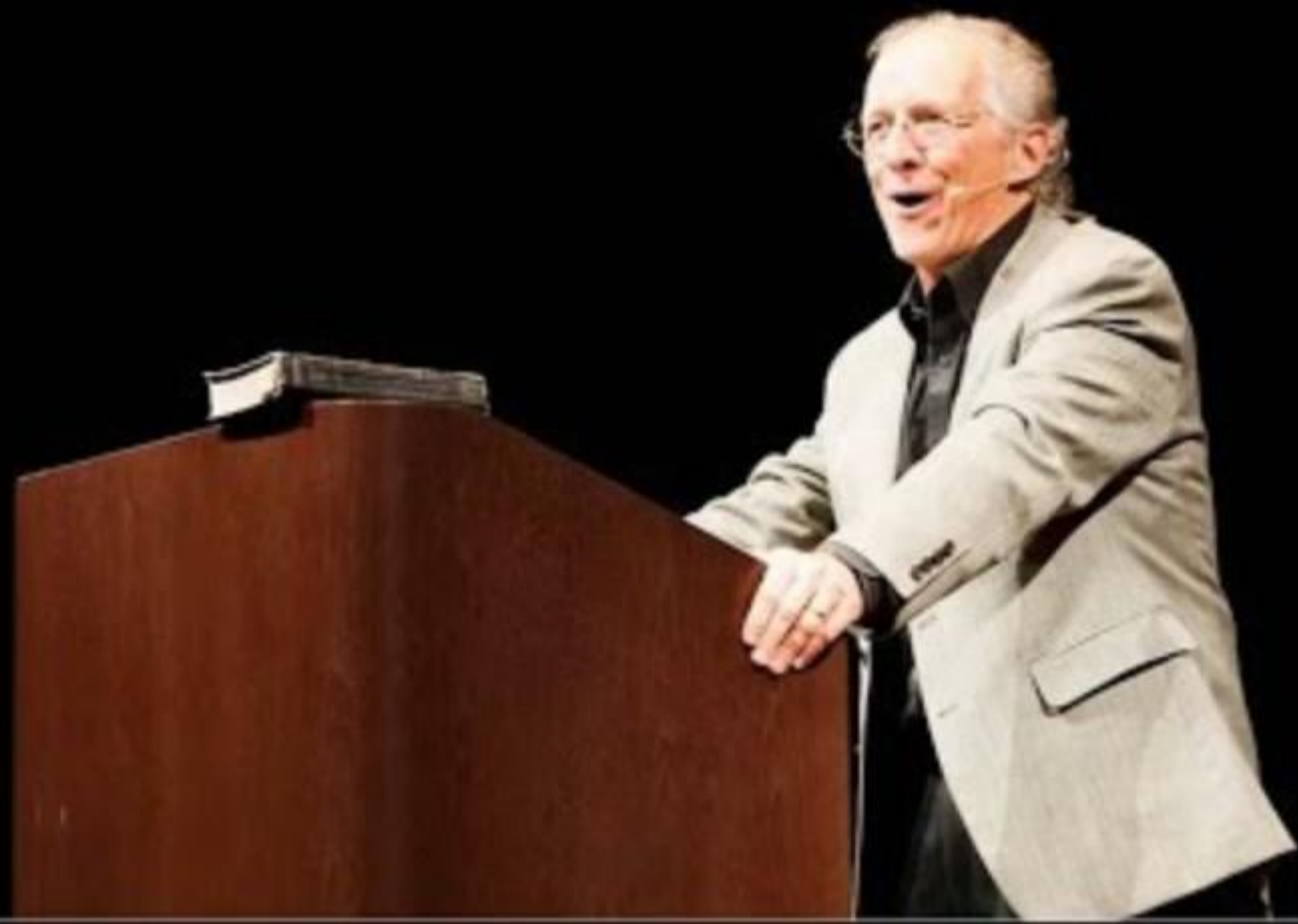
What does what John Piper has discussed have to do with the glory of God and Your Salvation?

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What are the four Implications John Piper references?

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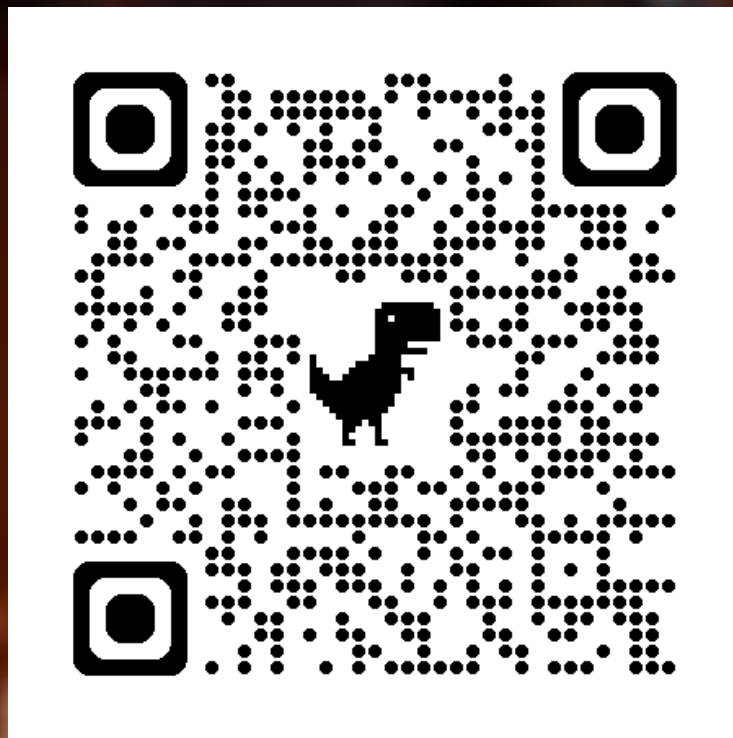
Summary: What are your thoughts? How does this relate to our latest theme “What you believe or value influence what you do and what priorities you will have”?

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# Burn with White-Hot Affection Until We See Him

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John Piper at The Gospel Coalition New England 2012 Conference,  
Boston MA, October 20th



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read the transcript**

**<https://www.desiringgod.org/messages/ablaze->**

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# Put DAY 2 Questions in here

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**What is important in Mark 3:31-35?**

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**How is the focus/values of Mark 3:31-35 different than where we focus—  
even different then the focus we hear from other professing Christians?**

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**How do you find what's important to people—what they believe or value?**

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**Where/how do you collect these things from another person—how does it happen?**

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**Who gets to spend time with you, talk, hear what's in your head/heart?**

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**Who/what is able to get away with talking about what you don't want to talk about or push you in a direction you don't naturally want to go?**

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**If you had someone who you used to be close to but aren't anymore because of some disagreement, what price would you have to pay to get back with them?**

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**Do you think most people are excited about believing or valuing the same thing as their parents/church? Why/Why not?**

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