

FAME

1 Chronicles 14:16-17 & John 3:30

Life on the Treadmill Week 1

*"So David did as God commanded him, and they struck down the Philistine army, all the way from Gibeon to Gezer. <sup>17</sup>So David's fame spread throughout every land, and the LORD made all the nations fear him." - 1 Chronicles 14:16-17 NIV*

*"He must become greater and greater, and I must become less and less." John 3:30 NLT*

IT'S A QUESTION OF MOTIVE

1. Who are you REPRESENTING?

*So we are Christ's ambassadors; God is making his appeal through us. We speak for Christ when we plead, "Come back to God!" 2 Corinthians 5:20 NLT*

2. Whose APPROVAL matters MOST?

*"For we speak as messengers approved by God to be entrusted with the Good News. Our purpose is to please God, not people. He alone examines the motives of our hearts. ... <sup>6</sup>As for human praise, we have never sought it from you or anyone else." - 1 Thessalonians 2:4, 6 NLT*

*"Not to us, LORD, not to us but to your name be the glory, because of your love and faithfulness." - Psalm 115:1 NIV*

Deeper Thoughts & Life Application

- Read Psalm 115:1. Are there any areas of your life where you're tempted to pursue fame instead of being faithful?
- How can you resist cravings for fame?
- What are some ways you can elevate God and others this week, rather than yourself?