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In Isaiah 42:8 it says, "I am the LORD: (Yhovah – the trinity) that is my name: and my glory will I not give to another, neither my praise to graven images."

The word "glory" here means to honor. It means to put God above all other things. It means that we never take the credit for what belongs to God. No matter what giftings we have, the glory for any success should always be given to God, because he gave us the gifts.

It is very dangerous to take the glory from God or from someone else either. In Acts 12 we see King Herod. He had killed James the apostle and the brother of John and wanted to kill Peter. His chamberlain, Blastus, desired peace because their country was nourished by Rome, the king's country. Acts 12:21-22 says, "22 And upon a set day Herod, arrayed in royal apparel, sat upon his throne, and made an oration unto them (the people of Jerusalem) 22 And the people gave a shout, saying, 'It is the voice of a god, and not of a man."

Instead of telling the people that he was not God, he listened to their praises and swelled up in pride. Verse 23 says, "And immediately the angel of the Lord smote him, because he gave not God the glory: and he was eaten of worms, and gave up the ghost."

As I said, it is dangerous to take the credit when it belongs to God. We should be very careful to never do this towards God or anyone else. All credit should go to God, and none to ourselves. We may be praised for what we do, but it is God that has enabled us.

Don't steal God's glory or anyone else's. Losing your life over it is not worth it. I am sure Herod would be the first to give us that advice.