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Soli Deo Gloria



“To God alone be the glory.” Sometimes simply abbreviated to SDG. You may occasionally see this expression on paintings and other works of art.

For this week's Bible lesson read this article:
<https://www.gotquestions.org/soli-Deo-gloria.html>

Exercise:

1. According to Romans 4:2 why do we have nothing to boast about as Christians?
2. How does John 15:5 relate to the concept of *Soli Deo Gloria* ?
3. Which composer is depicted in the illustration on this page and why has he been chosen for this topic?
4. Listen to any piece of music by this composer.²

Answers on the next page.

1 Both justified and a sinner. Martin Luther's pithy summary of a Christian's state

2 If you do not know what to choose try his Fifth Brandenburg Concerto.

We have nothing to boast about as Christians because our salvation is not achieved by our obedience to the law but on faith which is the gift of God.

John 15:5 relates to the concept of *Soli Deo Gloria* in that we are powerless to do anything without Christ.

Johann Sebastian Bach. He signed his compositions with the phrase *Soli Deo Gloria*.