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Shepherd in a Shed

A LIFE THAT ROCKS #2—SURRENDER

Beyond the White Flag

Sermon Study Guide

Romans 10:9

If you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.

Isaiah 40:30-31 HCSB

Youths may faint and grow weary, and young men stumble and fall,
but those who trust in the Lord will renew their strength;
they will soar on wings like eagles;
they will run and not grow weary;
they will walk and not faint.

1. _____ is he to whom a person or thing belongs, about which he has power of deciding; master, lord the possessor and disposer of a thing the owner; one who has control of the person, the master

Matthew 16:24 (HCSB)

Then Jesus said to His disciples, "If anyone wants to come with Me, he must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow Me.

2. While most of our English translations say that we are to be _____ (employees) of Christ, but the Greek says that we are to be _____ (possessions) of Christ.

1 Peter 2:16 (HCSB)

As God's slaves, live as free people, but don't use your freedom as a way to conceal evil.

Revelation 1:1 (HCSB)

The revelation of Jesus Christ that God gave Him to show His slaves what must quickly take place. He sent it and signified it through His angel to His slave John,

Matthew 7:21 (HCSB)

"Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord!' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of My Father in heaven.

3. Reasons to consider becoming a slave of Christ:
   - Big Reason Number 1 – _____ and _____ if you don't.
   - Big Reason Number 2 – _____ and _____ if you do.

Jeremiah 17:9

The heart is more deceitful than anything else, and incurable—who can understand it?

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Mark 7:21-22

[21] For from within, out of people's hearts, come evil thoughts, sexual immoralities, thefts, murders, [22] adulteries, greed, evil actions, deceit, promiscuity, stinginess, blasphemy, pride, and foolishness."

5. Rather than invite Jesus into our _____, we are invited by Christ into HIS _____.

Eph 1:3-14 (HCSB)

- .. the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ … has blessed us with every spiritual blessing … in Christ;
- in Him … [we are] holy and blameless in His sight.
- [we are] adopted through Jesus Christ for [God] Himself (we become part of the royal family)
- In Him we have redemption through His blood, and
- the forgiveness of our trespasses
- In Him we were also made His inheritance — His prize possession.
- In Him … when you believed—[you] were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit. —forever secure

In Eph 2:3-6 (HCSB)

- God, … made us alive with the Messiah even though we were dead in trespasses.
- He also raised us up with Him and seated us with Him in the heavens, in Christ Jesus,

John 15:5,7 (HCSB)

- "I am the vine; you are the branches. The one who remains in Me and I in him produces much fruit, because you can do nothing without Me.
- If you remain in Me and My words remain in you, ask whatever you want and it will be done for you.

Questions for Further Discussion:

1. Look at all the "In Christ" promises listed above. How many of these do you see in your life at this time?
2. How holy and blameless do you feel?
3. In Christ, you *already* have access to everything in the list. If you truly believed that all the above were already yours, what difference would that make in your life?

"If your condition doesn't look like your position, look to your position until your condition becomes like your position." – Dr. Ben Smith

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