

JOYFUL SURRENDER

(What Does the Surrendered Life Look Like?)

Luke 22:42 (p. 1022); Galatians 2:20 (p. 1129)

Introduction

“The most Christian prayer we can ever pray is the prayer Jesus prayed in Gethsemane – ‘Lord, Thy will, not mine, be done.’ . . . Christian health is ultimately defined by how sincerely we wave our flag of surrender” (Gary L. Thomas, Seeking the Face of God, p. 87).

- John 14:9 - “Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father.”
- II Corinthians 5:17
- Our Jesus-shaped I _____

STEPS TOWARD A SURRENDERED LIFE

I. Answer these two questions –

- Is God G _____?
- Is God L _____?

“To say ‘No, Lord’ is a contradiction in terms.” David Watson
Jesus needs to be Lord “o_ a_” or He is not Lord “a_ a_”.

II. Recognize that F _____ K _____ B _____

- Omniscient
- Omnipotent
- Omnipresent

III. Live in Freedom from bondage to . . .

- the p _____ - Acts 10:43; I John 1:9
- the p _____ Matthew 6:25-30; Romans 6:11
- the f _____ - Romans 8:38

IV. Find C _____ in God Alone

- I Timothy 6:6
- Philippians 4:11

Less Is More

- Less worry ⇨⇨⇨⇨ More p _____
- Less fear ⇨⇨⇨⇨ More inner-t _____
- Less pride ⇨⇨⇨⇨ More h _____
- Less stuff ⇨⇨⇨⇨ More c _____
- Less anger ⇨⇨⇨⇨ More j _____
- Less self-gratification ⇨⇨⇨⇨ More self-f _____
- Less holding onto grudges ⇨⇨⇨⇨ More f _____

*** Less of M _____ ⇨⇨⇨⇨ More of J _____

V. Be Crucified with Christ

- Galatians 2:20
- God’s Chisel

Conclusion

“I B _____ to J _____ C _____”

- Romans 6:13 – “. . . offer every part of yourself to God”
- Ruth Myer’s Prayer of Surrender

Recommended Reading:

Chip Ingram, True Spirituality: Becoming a Romans 12 Christian
Gary L. Thomas, Seeking the Face of God
David Watson, Called & Committed: World-Changing Discipleship

Recommended Viewing and Listening:

The Skit Guys.com – God’s Chisel Remastered
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STEPS TOWARD A SURRENDERED LIFE

I. Answer these two questions –

- Is God Good?
- Is God Lord?
“To say ‘No Lord’ is a contradiction in terms.”
Jesus needs to be Lord “of all” or He is not Lord “at all”.

II. Recognize that Father Knows Best

- Omniscient
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III. Live in Freedom from . . .

- the Past - Acts 10:43; I John 1:9
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- the Future - Romans 8:38

IV. Find Contentment in God Alone

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Less Is More

- Less Worry ⇨⇨⇨⇨ More Peace
- Less Fear ⇨⇨⇨⇨ More Inner Tranquility
- Less Pride ⇨⇨⇨⇨ More Humility
- Less Stuff ⇨⇨⇨⇨ More Contentment.
- Less Anger ⇨⇨⇨⇨ More Joy
- Less Self-Gratification ⇨⇨⇨⇨ More Self-Fulfillment
- Less Holding onto Grudges ⇨⇨⇨⇨ More Freedom
- Less of Me ⇨⇨⇨⇨ More of Jesus

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“I Belong to Jesus Christ”

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