

Reasons to Surrender

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¹⁹ “Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own?

²⁰ For you have been bought with a price: therefore, glorify God in your body.”

As we saw yesterday, God wants us to surrender our life to Him. This is no small task. All of our plans, every desire we feel, each entitlement that once seemed our right—everything is put aside in order to make way for our King’s will. But perhaps you have wondered why the Lord can ask this of us.

God has every right to demand that we give Him our all. First, Scripture teaches us that He is the sovereign King who rules over the entire universe ([Psalm 135:6](#)).

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⁶ “Whatever the LORD pleases, He does, In heaven and in earth, in the seas and in all deeps.”

As a result, we are under His authority, whether or not we choose to submit. Next, through His death and resurrection, Jesus saved us from our sin and its consequences. Therefore, we are indebted to Him more than we could ever repay. And finally, He sustains us. We should consider each breath and heartbeat a gift from Him.

Undoubtedly, the Lord is entitled to ask that we yield our life to His will. At the same time, we should realize that surrender is in our best interest. The Father promises that following Him leads to hope and an established future. [Psalms 31:19](#) states, **“How great is Your goodness, which You have stored up for those who fear You ...”** So, while He is the Almighty with authority over every aspect of our life, He promises to care for us and to do what will benefit us most.

Are you willing to put yourself aside in order to follow Jesus? His way is best, and it offers hope, joy, and peace. We will not always like everything He chooses at the moment, but He promises to work all things for our good. Will you trust God enough to hand the reins over to Him?