LIFE 425 church

ROMANS: THE GOSPEL CHANGES EVERYTHING

Week 12 Notes: "Who is Your Master"
Season 2: The Gospel Experienced | Romans 6:15-23

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Big Idea: Everyone serves something, but only Christ leads to life.

Our repeated choices reveal whom we are learning to obey. Through Jesus, sin no longer has to rule us—we are free to follow a new Master.

1. Grace gives us a new way to live

Romans 6:15–16 • John 8:34–36

Grace leads us to obedience that grows out of gratitude. The more we give in to sin, the stronger its hold becomes. Jesus gives us freedom and strength we cannot produce on our own.

Ask: What do I find hardest to say no to?

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2. In Christ, your allegiance has changed

Romans 6:17–18

A familiar voice is not the same as a rightful authority. You belong to Jesus now. Old patterns may still pull at you, but they do not have to determine your future.

Remember: A setback does not have to become surrender. Confess, receive his forgiveness, and take the next faithful step.

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3. Offer your everyday life to God

Romans 6:19

Hagiasmos: holiness or sanctification—God shaping us to reflect Jesus more fully.

Faith meets life in ordinary choices: telling the truth, apologizing, refusing gossip, listening, and asking for help.

Choose: What will I intentionally offer to God this week?
My words • My attention • My spending • My schedule • My online habits

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4. Look at where the road leads

Romans 6:20–23 • Galatians 5:1

Look beyond what a choice promises now. Ask what it is producing in your relationships, your honesty, and your ability to love.

"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." — Romans 6:23, NIV

Wages are earned. A gift is received. Eternal life is God's gift in Jesus; our obedience flows from our relationship with him.

My response: Name it. Surrender it. Take a step.

Name it: What have I been allowing to direct my choices?

Surrender it: "Jesus, this belongs to you. Help me trust you here."

Take a step: One specific act of obedience I will take this week:

Someone I can ask to pray with me: _____

This week's question:
"If I follow Jesus in this moment, what would I do next?"