

Week 2 - Yield - Sermon Notes

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So what do we do now? Throw ourselves into lives of sin because we are cloaked in grace and don't have to answer to the law? <u>Absolutely</u> not! –Romans 6:15

Virtue isn't the opposite of sin. <u>Faith</u> is the opposite of sin.

Doesn't it make sense that if you sign yourself over as a slave, you will have to obey your master? The question before you is, what will be your master? Will it be <u>sin</u>—which will lead to certain death—or <u>obedience</u>—which will lead to a right and reconciled life? –Romans 6:16

Obedience is an act of faith.

Thank God that your slavery to sin has ended and that in your new freedom you pledged your heartfelt obedience to that <u>teaching</u> which was passed on to you. – Romans 6:17

Freedom means that to obey God Himself, who above all else wishes us well, leaves us the freedom to be the <u>best</u> and <u>gladdest</u> that we have it in us to become.

Freedom is the ability to be your <u>authentic</u> self without having to ask anybody's permission.

The beauty of your new situation is this: now that you are free from sin, you are free to serve a different <u>master</u>, God's redeeming justice. –Romans 6:18

Great acts of God are usually preceded by simple acts of obedience.