

THE PROBLEM of ME

SERMON DISCUSSION

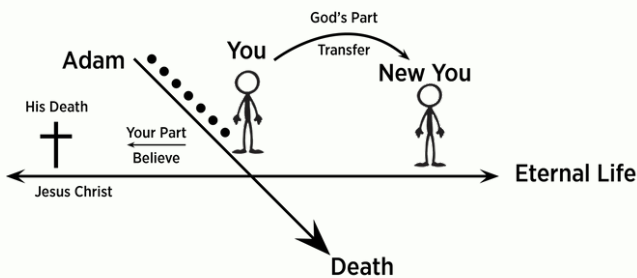
Who Will Change Me

Quotable Moments:

- You are ungodly. You're in good company.
- It's impossible to solve a problem if you don't know what's causing the problem.

Key Things You Heard:

- Sin doesn't control where you go when you die.
- Sin doesn't have to control what you do while you live.
- If you want to live like sin's not your master, you need to Declare, Decide, and Devote.
- Declare "Sin is not my master. I'm under grace."
- Decide not to let sin rule over your body.
- Devote your body to God daily.



Pray: Jesus, thank you for giving me a new identity in Christ. I declare with the Apostle Paul that sin is not my master. Sin is not going to rule over my body. I have devoted my body to God for doing good. With your Holy Spirit's power, I choose to live in my identity as an adopted child of God. I am "In Christ". In Jesus' name, Amen.

Moving Forward:

- Memorize Colossians 3:2-4, "Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life,..."
- Make a daily declaration: Sin is not my master. Sin is not going to rule over my body. I have devoted my body to God for doing good.
- Re-watch and/or share the sermon with a friend. Go to rivertown.cc or the RCC App.

Questions for Group Discussion:

First Minutes: If you had to choose one word to describe the identity of your family of origin, what would it be? (Optional Story Cards exercise)

- Do you ever feel like sin is master over you? How does it make you feel to hear that sin does not have to be your master?
- Why is deciding which identity to live with such a big deal? How does the identity I choose to live with affect my battle with sin?
- Read Romans 6:9-13. What event is the basis for Paul's claim that we don't need to live under the power of sin?
- Read John 15:5. How does the vine being connected to the branches provide a good word picture of spiritual life? Practically, how can we stay connected to the vine?
- Are there self-defeating thoughts that have kept you living with the identity of Adam's Line? What truth from God do you need to claim to replace those thoughts and live in your new identity?
- Imagine what your life would be like to consistently live in that new identity. Discuss with your group.