

Philippians: Owned (week 6)

Opening Thought/Memory Verse:

Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. (Philippians 3:12)



Define love. How is the world's love different from God's love?

Why do you love?

Instant justification (being made right with God) does not bring instant _____.

And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit. (2 Corinthians 3:18)

_____ **won't work. It's a heart issue.**

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are--yet he did not sin. (Hebrews 4:15)

The Sovereign God of the Universe has said, "_____"

*Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing **in Christ**. 4 For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. (Ephesians 1:3-4)*

In love He **predestined** us for adoption to sonship through Jesus Christ, **in accordance with his pleasure and will**-- 6 to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves. (Ephesians 1:4-6)

The Bible is about God's _____, not human _____.

All of us have become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous acts are like filthy rags; we all shrivel up like a leaf, and like the wind our sins sweep us away. (Isaiah 64:6)

In Him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace (Ephesians 1:7)

Any answer but Jesus is no answer at all!

*"You did not choose Me but **I chose you**, and appointed you that you would go and bear fruit, and [that] your fruit would remain, so that whatever you ask of the Father in My name He may give to you. (John 15:16)*

We love, because He first loved us. (1 John 4:19)

*Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but **I press on** to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. 13 Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing **I do**: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, 14 **I press on** toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. 15 Let those of us who are mature think this way, and if in anything you think otherwise, God will reveal that also to you. 16 Only let us hold true to what we have attained. (Philippians 3:12-16)*

God keeps loving, keeps empowering, and keeps sanctifying us despite our ongoing troubles and suffering.

Questions

What is your definition of love? Is it more like the world's or God's? Explain.

When you struggle, what's your first "go to" or response?

How do you, in your own life, beat sin?

Do you really believe Jesus is enough? Explain your answer.

When people come to you for help, wisdom, or counsel, how do you point them to Jesus?

Summarize this lesson in one sentence