

Who is in control?

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Introduction

1. Text 1 Corinthians 6:12-20
2. Have you ever asked, “Who is in control?” It might be of traffic, plane, doctor’s office
3. In our section of scriptures, this is what Paul is asking
 - a. He has told them who they were verse 9-10
 - b. He has told them what they had done verse 11
 - c. Now he is telling them who needs to be in control 12-20
 - d. He also gives nine reasons why immorality is wrong: 1) the body is not for fornication; 2)the body is for the Lord, 3) The Lord is for the body, 4) the body will be raised, 5) our bodies are members of Christ, 6) fornication is a sin against the body, 7) our bodies are temples of the Holy Ghost, 8) our bodies had been bought with a price and belong to God, 9) our bodies are to be used to glorify God.
4. This last point is what we want to discuss

II Discussion

1. I will be in control of my life and will not let you be
 - a. The decision to become a Christian is yours Acts 2:40
 - b. I am the one that will give an account of myself before God on the judgment Day 2 Corinthians 5:10; Romans 14:10
 - c. Thus we are to control ourselves Acts 24:25; Romans 6:12
2. Why we need to be in control
 - a. Because of the resurrection Verse 14
 - i. There is more to life than the physical Matthew 4:3-4
 - ii. He is the Lord of all Romans 14:9, 15
 - b. Because we are members of the body of Christ verse 15
 - i. Christ is the head Ephesians 1:22-23, thus in control of the body
 - ii. We are members of this body and should act accordingly 1 Corinthians 12:12-27; Romans 14:8; 12:4
 - c. Because we are bought with a price verse 20
 - i. The value of something shows the price paid
 - ii. What are you worth Matthew 16:26; 1 Peter 1:18-19; Acts 20:28
 - iii. You are so valuable that God sent Christ into the world to save you John 3:16; 1 Timothy 2:4
3. Who are we glorifying Verse 20
 - a. If I were in the auto manufacturing business, what kind of car would I drive, would I let my employee’s drive? Why, if they won’t drive them, shows pride
 - i. If you prefer the product of another company – go to work for them; there are only two companies, God’s or Satan
 - b. If a person was arrested for driving under the influence, and the news media mention the company, what do you think the company would do; fire and why
 - c. A slave should be sent from home with duties to perform and they ought to be done appropriately Genesis 24; Romans 6:16-18
 - d. Am I a slothful servant? Am I a lazy Christians
 - e. Do I hide my talents in the sand; or make excuses for not doing the work of the Lord?
 - f. Do I treat others inappropriately?

III Conclusion

1. Do we glorify God or Satan? We do one or the other, but not both.
2. WWJD? What did Jesus do, and then we need to act accordingly Acts 4:13
3. You were bought with a price you belong to God, let us acts like it
4. How have you been acting? Do you need to repent?

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