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Your body is not your own

I Corinthians 6:19,20 Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? ²⁰ For you have been bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body.

I am always struck by some individual's tendency to talk about a church building as if it is something sacred. You can often here someone say that you shouldn't lie, or say something untoward in the church building. They mistakenly think that a building is where God wants His holiness to dwell. In I Corinthians Paul is explaining to the Christians in Corinth a very important principle for our walk with God. He explains to them that God no longer dwells in a physical place, but instead He now wants our bodies to be His temple. This means our God is with us where ever we go.

This happens because when we become disciples of Jesus Christ an exchange is made. God gives us His Holy Spirit to dwell within our body and guide us through life. We also agree to give our body to Christ to be used for His glory. When we understand this exchange, we will start to view our bodies in a different light. Our body's primary purpose is not to bring us glory, attention, or to simply attract others to us. It is not ours to use as we please for our own pleasures. Our body's desires can no longer control out actions, instead the Lord's desires control us. As Christians, the purpose of our physical bodies is to bring glory to our Father in heaven who paid for our salvation with the blood of His only Son. What a wonderful blessing we have been given, and may we all take our God given responsibilities seriously. I hope to see you Sunday.

Jealous of a Bird

Psalm 84:1 *How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord Almighty.*

Although we do not know who wrote this Psalm, we do know that this person was a son of Korah. Sons of Korah were descendants of Levi – the tribe of men that worked first in the tabernacle and then in the temple. The writer was unable to be at the temple to conduct his work. This greatly disturbed him. He recalls how lovely the building was in his memory. This is the building that they understood the presence of God was located although they realized that no building could contain God. The building was special to him and his work. O how he wanted to be there. He wanted to be close to God once again. Today we understand that the church is not a building but the people. However the place where Christians gather is both valuable and important to the individuals. How important is the house of worship to you today? Do you have a strong desire to gather with God's people to worship your Creator?

This man was jealous of the sparrow. The birds were capable of coming and going into the temple. They built nests and raised their young within its walls. This son of Korah wanted to be able to freely come and go but it was not possible. He would love to have his children close by to enjoy the worship of God but he was prevented from doing so. People who gather to worship God are considered blessed. He longed for these blessings for himself and his family. Do you appreciate the opportunity to gather up your family or maybe simply yourself and go to the house of God to worship? What a privilege to meet together and to come and go as freely as a bird. Joe

John

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WORSHIP LEADERS OCTOBER 14, 2018

SUNDAY 9:00 A.M.

Welcome	Dennis Thomason
Song Leader	Greg Lusk
Prayer	Lenny Davis
Lord's Supper: Presiding	Benny Bolton
Andrew Sullivan	Ryan Massey
James Bolton	Cheyenne McNeese
Derick Carroll	Larry Nicholson
David White	Blake Daniels
Read: Hebrews 12:1-3	Tracey Wilkins
Sermon: Running to Win	John Thomas
Announcements / Closing Prayer.	Dennis Thomason

SUNDAY 5:30 P.M.

Welcome / Song Leader	Shaun Townsend
Prayer	Jacob Pollard
Read: Matthew 14:22-33	
Sermon: Help Me! I'm Sinking!	John Thomas
Presiding	Tommy Hight
Announcements / Closing Prayer	Joe Macer

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NURSERY CARE FOR OCTOBER 14

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 17, 6:30 P.M.

Song Leader.....Shaun Townsend Prayer....Dennis Thomason Speaker....Andrew Phillips

A.M....Jessica Daniels