

Bay City Wesleyan Church
August 2, 2020

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Sunday Morning 08-02-2020 How to Surrender Self-sufficiency
[Jesus] replied, "I must preach the Good News of the Kingdom of God in other towns, too, because that is why I was sent." (Luke 4:43 NLT)
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Philippians 2:1-11 NIV
<small>1</small> Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, <small>2</small> then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind. <small>3</small> Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, <small>4</small> not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others. <small>5</small> In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: <small>6</small> Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; <small>7</small> rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. <small>8</small> And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to deathâ€” even death on a cross! <small>9</small> Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, <small>10</small> that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <small>11</small> and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.
<https://bible.com/bible/111/php.2.1-11.NIV>

Psalms 20:7-8 NIV

7</small> Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the Lord our God.

8</small> They are brought to their knees and fall, but we rise up and stand firm.

<https://bible.com/bible/111/psa.20.7-8.NIV>

Proverbs 3:5-8 NIV

5</small> Trust in the Lord with all your heart. Do not depend on your own understanding. 6</small>

7</small> In all your ways obey him. Then he will make your paths smooth and straight. 8</small>

9</small> Donâ€™t be wise in your own eyes. Have respect for the Lord and avoid evil. 10</small>

11</small> That will bring health to your body. It will make your bones strong.

<https://bible.com/bible/110/pro.3.5-8.NIV>

Series: Give King Jesus His Dues

Series Big Idea: Everyone who wonders where Jesus can be found and what their purpose might be can discover the answers in Godâ€™s Kingdom.

Title: How to Surrender Self-sufficiency

Text: Luke 1:26-38

Luke 1:26-38 NIV

26</small> In the sixth month of Elizabethâ€™s pregnancy, God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, a town in Galilee, 27</small>

28</small> to a virgin pledged to be married to a man named Joseph, a descendant of David. The virginâ€™s name was Mary. 29</small>

30</small> The angel went to her and said, â€œGreetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you.â€œ 31</small>

32</small> Mary was greatly troubled at his words and wondered what kind of greeting this might be. 33</small>

34</small> But the angel said to her, â€œDo not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God. 35</small>

36</small> You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus. 37</small>

38</small> He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, 39</small>

40</small> and he will reign over Jacobâ€™s descendants forever; his kingdom will never end.â€œ 41</small>

42</small> â€œHow will this be,â€œ Mary asked the angel, â€œsince I am a virgin?â€œ 43</small>

44</small> The angel answered, â€œThe Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God. 45</small>

46</small> Even Elizabeth your relative is going to have a child in her old age, and she who was said to be unable to conceive is in her sixth month. 47</small>

48</small> For no word from God will ever fail.â€œ 49</small>

50</small> â€œI am the Lordâ€™s servant,â€œ Mary answered. â€œMay your word to me be fulfilled.â€œ Then the angel left her.

<https://bible.com/bible/111/luk.1.26-38.NIV>

Sermon in a Sentence:

Trust Jesus and surrender your self-sufficiency.

How can you and I surrender our self-sufficiency?

1. Recognize your limits.
2. Receive healing for your hurts.
3. Rely on the process
4. Release your life into King Jesus's care
5. Recruit a few fellow Jesus-followers to grow with you