

“The Who is Greater Than the Do!”

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“Jesus calls us to his rest, and meekness is His method. The meek man cares not at all who is greater than he, for he has long ago decided that the esteem of the world is not worth the effort.”—A.W. Tozer

1.) Called to Who (Before Do) (Romans 6:1-14, Romans 14:7-12, Luke 10:38-42, John 15:5-6)

1 In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, 2 but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom also he made the universe. 3 The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven. 4 So he became as much superior to the angels as the name he has inherited is superior to theirs..—Hebrews 1:1-4

- A.) You and I were called from death to life in Christ!
- B.) We belong to the one to whom every knee will bow.
- C.) We are no longer to live for ourselves, but for Christ
- D.) We are to serve God out of Holy Fear and Love.
- E.) Do we sit at the feet of Jesus before doing things in His name?
- F.) To truly serve Jesus we must remain in Him.

2.) The who refines you! (1 Corinthians 6:12-20, 1 John 1:9; Romans 6:15-23)

- A.) A believer no longer belongs to himself but to Christ!
- B.) As we are united with the Spirit we become more sanctified.
- C.) You and I were bought at a price.
- D.) Christ is able to redeem that which was lost.
- E.) We move from bondage to sin to freedom in Christ!

3.) You do because of the who! (1 John 4:19, 1 Peter 3:18, Ephesians 2:8-10; Ephesians 3:14-21)

- A.) We love others because Christ loved us.
- B.) Because of what Christ did we serve in the newness of life in His Spirit.
- C.) Because of the grace given to us by Christ, we have a purpose.
- D.) Because the living God dwells in us we have the power to serve and be filled with God's love!

Closing Questions!

1. Do you spend time sitting at Jesus' feet?
2. Do you serve out of obligation or out of an overflowing work of the Holy Spirit in your life?
3. Do you allow the Lord to refine you?
4. Does you live in the purpose and calling God has given you because of a grateful heart?