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EPHESIANS 5:1-2

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SURRENDER LIKE JESUS
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1. Becoming like Jesus begins with my _____.

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2. Becoming like Jesus demands my _____.

See Luke 5:1-8 (NLT)

3. Will I surrender _____?

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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[CONNECT]

Have you ever had to surrender to something or someone? Losing a painful argument? Caught by police? Confronted by your boss about a timeline or project for which you dropped the ball? Share about a surrendered time in your life...

[ENGAGE]

What stood out to you the most from the message?

[GROW]

Consider the definition of the word 'surrender' and discuss some of the thoughts that come to your mind when reading the definition.

Surrender: *To stop resisting and submit to someone else's authority; to give up or to yield to the power of another.*

Is Jesus your savior? Is He Lord of your life? Those are two different things, but are very much connected. He cannot be your savior, and not the Lord of your life? Salvation must lead to His Lordship over you. In fact, you should crave for Him to BE your Lord if He's your savior. Discuss how one (salvation) should always lead to the other (Lordship). (Hint – It includes a total surrender)

Read Philippians 2:5-11 and discuss the heart, or context, behind what you believe the apostle Paul was really digging into.

What are some practical everyday things for which you struggle with surrendering? (ex. Marriage, finances, kids, future, career, and addiction). Why is the struggle so real for you?

Jesus absolutely demands our obedience. In fact, the only way to be truly surrendered is if we're truly obedient. Read and discuss your thoughts about what Jesus was referring to in Matthew 16:24.

[LEAD (YOURSELF)]

Perhaps during the weekend's message you identified one or more of areas, or things, in your life that you haven't fully surrendered. What would your life look like if you were truly able to surrender, whatever it is, FULLY over to Jesus? Would that act of surrender:

- Give you more peace?
- Restore a relationship?
- Erase shame?
- Teach you the joy of generosity?
- Give you more time with your spouse and/or kids?

