

Sermon Notes

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Living Beyond Self

Philippians 1:12-26

I. LIVING BEYOND SELF INVOLVES ABANDONING SELF-ABSORPTION.

(Matthew 16:24-26) Then Jesus said to His disciples, "If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross and follow Me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it; but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?"

II. LIVING BEYOND SELF INVOLVES EMBRACING WORTHY PASSIONS.

(Philippians 1:12,21) Now I want you to know, brethren, that my circumstances have turned out for the greater progress of the gospel, ...For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.