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**A “No” That Becomes a Powerful Yes**

**Proverbs 16:25**

*“There is a path before each person that seems right, but it ends in death.”*

We haven’t thought through our **PRIORITIES**.

We do not want to disappoint **SOMEONE**.

*“The thief’s purpose is to steal and kill and destroy. My purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life.”*

*~ John 10:10*

***There are times in our lives when the wisest, healthiest, and best way we can respond is to say ‘NO.’***

Jesus was living His life from a purpose-filled center.

**John 6:14-15**

*“When the people saw Him do this miraculous sign, they exclaimed, “Surely, He is the Prophet we have been expecting!” When Jesus saw that they were ready to force Him to be their king, He slipped away into the hills by Himself.”*

**Luke 19:10**

*“The Son of Man came to seek and to save those who are lost.”*

You have **GREATNESS** in you!

**John 5:19**

*“I tell you the truth, the Son can do nothing by Himself. He does only what He sees the Father doing. Whatever the Father does, the Son also does.”*

We need to say no to **SIN!**

**1 Corinthians 10:13**

*“The temptations in your life are no different from what others experience. And God is faithful. He will not allow the temptation to be more than you can stand. When you are tempted, He will show you a way out so that you can endure.”*

## **How to receive forgiveness from God:**

- 1) Admit you, like everyone else, need new LIFE in Jesus.
- 2) Ask God to forgive your sins by the sacrifice of Jesus.
- 3) Receive new LIFE from God by trusting in Jesus as your Savior & Lord.

### **You can do that now by simply talking to God in a prayer like this:**

*Dear Lord Jesus, I know I am a sinner, and I ask for Your forgiveness. I believe You died for my sins and rose from the dead. Today, I receive you as my Savior; and I put my faith in you as my LORD. Help me to live for you all the days of my life. In Your name, Amen.*

**If you chose to follow Jesus today, text “FAITH” to 309-250-2007 to receive additional information about next steps in following Jesus.**

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### **For Further Reflection:**

- *What “mindless yes” have you made in the past? Have they cost you anything? If so, what?*
- *What causes you to say a “mindless yes?” Knowing this will help you respond differently going forward.*
- *According to the Bible, God has made you wonderfully unique (Psalm 139). He also has a plan for your life (Jeremiah 29:11 / John 10:10). Do you actually believe God loves you like this? If not, why not?*
- *A great place to start, as we talked about in our message today, is to take some time to think about what Holy Spirit is inviting you to live into? Taking into consideration who He has created you to be, your abilities, your strengths, your gifts, your passion – what do you believe He might be leading you to accomplish in His power?*
- *What are the non-sinful things that most distract you or get in the way of you going after all He has for you?*
- *What are the temptations that most often distract you? What scripture do you need to memorize so that when that temptation comes you will be well equipped to defeat it in the powerful name of Jesus (1 Corinthians 10:13)?*
- *Is it time for you to join a Heritage group? [[heritageqc.com/groups](https://heritageqc.com/groups)]*

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Rock Island Campus: 9:00 & 11:00 AM

Bettendorf Campus: 9:30 & 11:30 AM



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