

09/26/21 Message

Part of The End of Me

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Message: I Will

Series: Broken to be Whole

Recap: This is the sixth message in our series The End of Me. The foundation of this series in the Sermon on the Mount found in Matthew 5-7. It's about DTR – define the relationship – between you and Jesus. Are you a fan or a follower of Jesus?

Introduction

Matthew 5:8 (NLT)

3 “God blesses those who are poor and realize their need for him, for the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs.

4 God blesses those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

5 God blesses those who are humble, for they will inherit the whole earth.

6 God blesses those who hunger and thirst for justice, for they will be satisfied.

7 God blesses those who are merciful, for they will be shown mercy.

8 God blesses those whose hearts are pure, for they will see God.

9 God blesses those who work for peace, for they will be called the children of God.

10 God blesses those who are persecuted for doing right, for the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs.

11 “God blesses you when people mock you and persecute you and lie about you and say all sorts of evil things against you because you are my followers.

12 Be happy about it! Be very glad! For a great reward awaits you in heaven. And remember, the ancient prophets were persecuted in the same way.

Weddings are special to us. For a Christian, a wedding is like the day you decided to follow Jesus, it's decision day. It's a day you're asked to

choose - yes or no. The two magic words you say are "I do."

Jesus doesn't want you to say "I do" - Jesus wants a deeper commitment...

- Jesus wants you to say I WILL

I do is about what you're willing to do right now. But it doesn't mean that's what you're willing to do when you walk out of this building... what you will do tomorrow... next week... next year... The commitment Jesus wants is I WILL!

—Pastor Chad

Jesus wants an "I WILL" relationship with you!

Change the Relationship

Philippians 2:5 (NLT)

You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had.

Today, I want you to say I WILL and make the commitment to not staying the same. When you commit to Jesus, you're saying - I'm not where I want to be, I'm not what I want to be... so you ask Jesus to change you!

—Pastor Chad

- Jesus, change ME

1 Timothy 3:7 gives us a warning:

- WATCH OUT - don't be disgraced and don't fall into the devil's trap

God's Help to Change

2 Timothy 2:26:

You can almost hear Jesus say... I want them to... come to their senses and escape from the devil's trap. For they have been held captive by him to do whatever he wants.

Do you get that? God wants you to...

- Come to your SENSES and ESCAPE the devil's trap

Ephesians 6:18 (NLT)

Pray in the Spirit at all times and on every occasion. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all believers everywhere.

- It's time to move FROM I DO and I AM TO I WILL!