

Deeper Life Program
An Instrument For Noble Purposes
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CANNONS

Verse 1:

*It's falling from the clouds, a strange and lovely sound
I hear it in the thunder and rain
It's ringing in the skies like cannons in the night
The music of the universe plays*

Chorus:

*You are holy, great and mighty
The moon and the stars declare who You are
I'm so unworthy, but still You love me
Forever my heart will sing of how great You are*

Verse 2:

*Beautiful and free, the song of galaxies
Reaching far beyond the milky way
Let's join in with the sound
C'mon let's sing it out
As the music of the universe plays*

Bridge:

*All glory, honor, power is Yours Amen
All glory, honor, power is Yours Amen
All glory, honor, power is Yours forever, Amen*

RECKLESS LOVE

Verse 1:

*Before I spoke a word, You were singing over me
You have been so, so good to me
Before I took a breath, You breathed Your life in me
You have been so, so kind to me*

Chorus:

*Oh the overwhelming, never ending, reckless love of God
Oh, it chases me down, fights 'till I'm found, leaves the ninety nine
I couldn't earn it I don't deserve it Still, You give yourself away
Oh the overwhelming, never ending, reckless love of God*

Verse 2:

When I was Your foe, still Your love fought for me
You have been so, so good to me
When I felt no worth, You paid it all for me
You have been so, so kind to me

Bridge:

There's no shadow You won't light up, mountain You won't climb up, coming after me
There's no wall You won't kick down, no lie You won't tear down, coming after me

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MESSAGE: An Instrument For Noble Purposes

What Is Going To Give Us Life?

2 Timothy 2:20-21 (NIV '84) In a large house there are articles not only of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay; some are for noble purposes and some for ignoble. If a man cleanses himself from the latter, **he will be an instrument for noble purposes**, made holy, useful to the Master and prepared to do any good work.

The Large (or Great) House Illustration

- Part of a discussion about what Timothy needs to be a good pastor / to do good ministry
- Timothy needs to have both competency and character
- The Large House Illustration focuses on character
- It applies to us all

I. The Contrast

2 Timothy 2:20 (NIV '84) In a large house there are articles not only of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay; some are for noble purposes and some for ignoble.

2 Timothy 2:20 (Message) In a well-furnished kitchen there are not only crystal goblets and silver platters, but waste cans and compost buckets— some containers used to serve fine meals, others to take out the garbage.

All of us have these things, this contrast, inside of us

- The Four Personality Types
- "Sometimes I'm Samson" by Larry Bryant
*Sometimes I'm Samson with the strength to conquer anything.
Sometimes I'm David when my heart is right and I feel just like a king.
Sometimes I'm Thomas when disbelief takes hold.*

This contrast is in us all

II. The Cleansing

2 Timothy 2:21 (NIV '84) If a man cleanses himself from the latter, he will be an instrument for noble purposes, made holy, useful to the Master and prepared to do any good work.

This *can* be done. This should be done.

- This is elimination, not addition

2 Kings 23:6 (NIV) [Josiah] took the Asherah pole from the temple of the Lord to the Kidron Valley outside Jerusalem and burned it there...

- The ignoble is not always obvious

Colossians 3:5-8 (NIV) 5 Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. 6 Because of these, the wrath of God is coming. 7 You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. 8 But now you must also rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips.

- The ignoble is not always sinful

1 Corinthians 6:12 (NIV '84) "Everything is permissible for me" - but not everything is beneficial. "Everything is permissible for me" - but I will not be mastered by anything. (Compare to 1 Corinthians 10:23)

What title do you want?

OFFERING

CLOSING PRAYER

This Week's Bible Readings (*Use the TCND App if you want to listen*):

- Sat Rest Sun Catch Up; Jer 38-41 Mon Acts 16:16-40; Jer 42-45 Tue Acts 17:1-15; Jer 46-48
 Wed Acts 17:16-34; Jer 49-50 Thur Acts 18:1-28; Jer 51-52 Fri Acts 19:1-20; Lam 1 - 3:36 Sat Rest

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