

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE
I Surrender: *Surrender Status*
September 13, 2023

Surrendering Status

- Are you more concerned with what **other people** think about you...or...
- Are you more concerned with what **God** thinks about you?

Not Of This World

- You can't really follow God and **fit in**.
 - *John 15:18-20*
 - *Romans 12:2*

For His Glory

- Use your status for the **glory of God**.
 - *1 Cor. 10:31*
- God uses the **ordinary** to accomplish the **extraordinary**!
 - *1 Cor. 1:27-28*

Humble Yourself

- The issue with status is an issue with **pride**.
- Philippians 2 (in reverse)
 - *Phil. 2:9-11*
 - *Phil. 2:6-8*
 - *Phil. 2:5*
 - *Phil. 2:3-4*
- Surrender your status for the sake of your **neighbor**.

Who Am I?

I know I'm more than an athlete or a brain, an outcast or a rebel.

But that's not the reality of middle school/high school.

I'm supposed to be discovering myself, finding myself, but somehow I've been given a label.

It feels like everyone is watching, expecting, waiting for me to fail.

I feel so desperate, alone, invisible, misunderstood, fake.

All I've ever wanted was to be accepted, but now I regret some of the things I've done.

And I'm tired; I'm tired of trying to be who everybody wants me to be.

God, I know it shouldn't matter what others think, but it's hard not to.

I know you want me to be real, to be who you made me to be.

But it's easier to be that way at church, than it is at school.

Lord, help me to surrender to you. Give me courage; give me strength, because I can't do it on my own. Help me understand that what really matters is what You see, and who You designed me to be.

Help me to be...that me.