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Chapter 11. Embracing SURRENDER and dying to self.

Week 41: What does practical SURRENDER look like in real day-to-day?

Video: Bruce Almighty

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Word of the Week: Submit/Surrender

Theme verse: *Since you died with Christ to the elemental spiritual forces of this world, why, as though you still belonged to the world, do you submit to its rules.* – Colossians 2:20

Additional Verses: – Colossians 2:16-23

Theme Quote: Oh, to have “the word of Christ” always dwelling inside of us; with all the powers and passions of the mind fully submitted to its control!” – Charles Spurgeon

John Eldredge: “Christianity has basically communicated to men that the reason God put you on this Earth is to be a good boy. Mind your manners, be a nice guy. That’s soul killing!”

**Questions: Is surrender and submit the same concept?
Who or what do you surrender/submit to in your day to day life?
Do you think men should mutually submit to their wife?**

Highlight Video: I Surrender, Hillsong Live

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Word(s) of the Week: Submit/Surrender

Dictionary:

verb, submitted, submitting

- to give over or yield to the power or authority of another (*often used reflexively*).
- to subject to some kind of treatment or influence.
- to yield oneself to the power or authority of another:*to submit to a conqueror.*
- to allow oneself to be subjected to some kind of treatment:*to submit to chemotherapy.*

Quotes - Submit: “God does not expect us to submit our faith to him without reason, but the very limits of our reason make faith a necessity.”

– Saint Augustine

“Nothing is more active than thought, for it travels over the universe, and nothing is stronger than necessity for all must submit to it.” – Thales

“We all have many opportunities, but limited capacity to pursue them. Make choices, focus your time and energy, so that you can submit your share of masterpieces to the greater good.” – Kevin B. Rollins

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“There are four things that we ought to do with the Word of God, admit it as the Word of God, commit it to our hearts and minds, submit to it, and transmit it to the world.” – William Wilberforce

“When the heart submits, then Jesus reigns. When Jesus reigns, there is rest.” – Hudson Taylor

“Those who submit to the Lord with simple heart will run the good race. If they keep their minds on a leash, they will not draw the wickedness of the demons onto themselves.” – John Climacus

“Put on the new man by renewing your mind with God’s Word and submitting your body to the authority of that Word.” – T. B. Joshua

Quotes - Surrender: “Every genuine expression of love grows out of a consistent and total surrender to God.” – Martin Luther King, Jr.

“When we surrender to God, we let go of our attachment to how things happen on the outside, and we become more concerned with what happens on the inside.” – Marianne Williamson

“If you don’t surrender to God, don’t think you don’t surrender. Everybody surrenders -- to something.” – E. Stanley Jones

“When you surrender to what is and so become fully present, the past ceases to have any power. You do not need it anymore. Presence is the key. Now is the key.” – Eckhart Tolle

“Sometimes surrender means giving up trying to understand and becoming comfortable with not knowing.” – Eckhart Tolle

“Strength is found in weakness. Control is found in dependency. Power is found in surrender.” – Dan B. Allender

“One new perception, one fresh thought, one act of surrender, one change of heart, one leap of faith, can change your life forever.”
– Robert Holden

Bible: 2 Chronicles 30:8

Do not be stiff-necked, as your ancestors were; **submit** to the Lord. Come to his sanctuary, which he has consecrated forever. Serve the Lord your God, so that his fierce anger will turn away from you.

Job 22:21

Submit to God and be at peace with him; in this way prosperity will come to you.

Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways **submit** to him, and he will make your paths straight.

Romans 6:13

Do not offer any part of yourself to sin as an instrument of wickedness, but rather **offer yourselves** to God as those who have been brought from death to life; and **offer every part** of yourself to him as an instrument of righteousness.

Romans 8:6-8

The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not **submit** to God's law, nor can it do so. Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God.

Romans 10:3

Since they did not know the righteousness of God and sought to establish their own, they did not **submit** to God's righteousness.

Ephesians 5:21-30

Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ. Wives, **submit** yourselves to your own husbands as you do to the Lord. For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which he is the Savior. Now as the church **submits** to Christ, so also wives should **submit** to their husbands in everything. Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless. In this same way, husbands ought to love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. After all, no one ever hated their own body, but they feed and care for their body, just as Christ does the church— for we are members of his body.

Colossians 2:20

Since you died with Christ to the elemental spiritual forces of this world, why, as though you still belonged to the world, do you **submit** to its rules.

Hebrews 12:9

Moreover, we have all had human fathers who disciplined us and we respected them for it. How much more should we **submit** to the Father of spirits and live!

James 4:7

Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

1 Peter 5:4-6

And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that will never fade away. In the same way, you who are younger, **submit** yourselves to your elders. All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, "God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble." Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time.