

## **(2) How to glorify God in your body**

1 Corinthians 6:19-20

### **Godliness in the body: how is it possible?**

Impersonating the monarch!...

A “futile mind”, “darkened heart” (Romans 1:21)

And *still* our hearts/minds/feelings do not work properly

### **1. IN ADAM: Without Jesus, we are slaves of sin and death**

His failure: Genesis 2:16-17, Genesis 3

Is OUR failure: Romans 5:12

Until converted we “walk” in sin – e.g. Colossians 3:5,8

### **2. IN CHRIST: we’re freed from sin and death... FOR Jesus**

The incarnation: God the Son assumes a human nature consisting of body & soul

Perfect obedience, in life and death

Suffering in body AND soul – see Isaiah 52:13, 53:5,10,11

In order to purchase us: “you are not your own. You were bought with a price.”

### **IMPLICATIONS: Because we belong to Jesus...**

#### **→ Implication 1: we can walk in new life**

Sin is NOT our master any more

2 Corinthians 5:17, Galatians 2:20, Romans 6:6

1 Peter 2:24

→ **Implication 2: we can fight against sin**

Take sin seriously and do NOT “follow your heart”:  
Romans 7:18-23, Jeremiah 17:9

Take sin seriously... but do not let sin DEFINE sin  
1 Corinthians 6:11

Take sin seriously... and be ready to fight  
Colossians 3 – put on, put off  
Romans 8:13 – put to death the misdeeds of the body

→ **Implication 3: we follow God’s Law and God’s Spirit**

We’re saved to obey, in the power of the Spirit  
Romans 8:4

→ **glorify God in the body he has given us**

Praise Him that you are the *particular* man/boy/woman/girl that He has made you – Ps 139

It is AS a man/boy/woman/girl that you seek to:

Walk in a new life

Battle sin

Obey God’s Law and Spirit

Learn FROM your body – because God’s creation and God’s Word match up

Learn the DISTINCT shape of godliness:

Men/boys

Designed to be a father (whether or not you bet a child)

So learn what it means to provide & to protect, like God does (Gen. 2:15, Matt. 7:11)

Women/girls

Designed to be a mother (whether or not you bear a child)

So learn what it means to nurture and to help, like God does (Gen. 2:20, 3:20)