

Need and Value

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- Today – Opportunity to give a Bible study
 - Title – “Need and Value”
 - Comment – People could ask: “Why did you pick such a boring title?” – My answer – That title is designed as a record for finding this presentation in my archive of messages – When I look for my handout about this subject, I can easily find it
 - The main points of this presentation
 - We definitely need God and Christ
 - What do you value?
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- 1 Cor. 15:24-28 then comes the end
24 Christ will deliver the kingdom of God to the Father – when He (the Son) puts an end to all rule, all authority and power
28 when all things are made subject to Him (the Son), then the Son Himself will also be subject to Him (the Father) who put all thing under Him (the Son), that God maybe all in all
- Heb. 8:1 here is the main point of what the author wrote – we have a High Priest, who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens – a Minister of the sanctuary and of the true tabernacle, which the Lord erected (and not man)
- What do you value?
- Phil. 1:21 to me – to live is Christ and to die is gain
23-24 I am torn between the two – to depart and to be with Christ is far better – to remain in the flesh is more needful for you
- I hope you value freedom
- 1 Cor. 7:18-24 when discussing the subject of circumcision
19 Paul said – circumcision is nothing and uncircumcision is nothing – keeping the instructions of God is what matters
20 each should remain in the same calling in which he is called
21 were you called while a slave? – if you can become free, become free
22 who is called in the Lord while a slave, he is the Lord’s freedman – he was called while free is Christ’s slave
23 you have been bought with a price – do not become slaves of men

- 2 Cor. 11:13 false apostles – transform themselves into apostles of Christ
- 14 Satan himself – transforms himself into an angel of light
- 15 his servants transform themselves into ministers of righteousness
- I don't value controllers
- Matt. 20:25-28 I don't value people who lord it over people – I don't value people who
 exercise authority over people
- Matt. 22:36-40 loving God and loving neighbor
- Matt. 23:2-39 the scribes and Pharisees
- Consider an apparent contradiction
- 2 Cor. 11:20 avoid the following
 - those who want to take you into bondage
 - those who devour you – (trying to control you)
 - those who take from you
 - those who exalt themselves over you – (most of religion)
 - those who hit you
- 2 Cor. 11:23-28 when Paul talked about his record of serving them
- 23 in stripes, above measure – in prisons, more frequently – in death, often
- 24 5 times received 39 stripes
- 25 3 times beaten with rods – one time I was stoned
- 1 Peter 4:15-16 difference – suffering for our choices & suffering as a Christian

- As we conclude – consider the following
- I am not going to expound on these situations today
- We can talk about them next Saturday
- How do you respond to people who don't really know you?
- How do you respond to people who deliberately shun you?
- How do you respond to people who are trying to hurt you?
- How do you respond to people who treat you very, very well?