

# S.O.H.L.

## WEEKLY MINISTRY MEDITATIONS

*Pronounced "Soul"*

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## Giving Away What Is Not Yours

I started to say that many single Christians are honoring God from the waist up only, but then I thought to myself, how we can actually do immoral things with parts above the waist, which leads to this question, "How did it get this far?" Let me help you. It starts with the *mind*. We think it and we act on it afterwards. Meaning we perform the sexual act and we disregard who dwells in the property. We end up "[Giving Away What Is Not Ours](#)". The body becomes filthy, contaminated and corrupted because the act was done without a marital commitment, and against the word of God. Many are sacrificing their body to the honor of the devil! Many have gotten caught up in the spirit of sexual bondage and not able to come out of this behavior because their choice is not to. Many have accepted this behavior as something normal. Again, you can't "[Give Away What Is Not Yours](#)".

**1 CORINTHIANS 6:15-20 NLT** –(15) Don't you realize that your bodies are actually parts of Christ? Should a man take his body, which is part of Christ, and join it to a prostitute? Never! (16) And don't you realize that if a man joins himself to a prostitute, he becomes one body with her? For the Scriptures say, "The two are united into one." (17) But the person who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with him. (18) Run from sexual sin! No other sin so clearly affects the body as this one does. For sexual immorality is a sin against your own body. (19) Don't you realize that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and was given to you by God? You do not belong to yourself, (20) for God bought you with a high price. So you must honor God with your body.

The body is for the Lord; it is to be an instrument of righteousness to holiness, therefore it should never be made an instrument of sin. It is an honor to the body, that Jesus Christ was raised from the dead; and it will be an honor to our body, that it will be raised. The hope of a resurrection to glory, should keep Christians from dishonoring their body by fleshly lusts. And if the soul be united to Christ by faith, the whole man is become a member of His spiritual body. Our body has been redeemed from deserved condemnation and hopeless slavery by the atoning sacrifice of Christ. We are to be clean, as vessels fitted for our Masters use. Being united to Christ as one spirit, and bought with a price of unspeakable value, the believer should consider himself as wholly the Lord's, by the strongest ties. May we make it our business, to the latest day and hour of our lives, to glorify God with our body, and with our spirits which are His.

Notice I said "His" or do you belong to Him? Repent and ask God (with your participation) to help you out of this bondage. **This meditation is written as the Holy Spirit leads to encourage my brothers and sisters in the faith and not to condemn.** Mind you though, The Lord Has Spoken through His Vessel.

### **SCRIPTURE READING**

ROMANS 13:13-14

### **THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

God is not limited by our circumstances.

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