



## Surrender Home Fellowship Notes

**Sermon Date: May 25, 2014**

**Scripture: I Kings 20:1-4; Galatians 2:20**

**Speaker: Pastor Mike Jacobson**

**Opener:** How do you feel about playing board games...do you feel like you have to win?

**Question?** What does the word surrender bring to your mind?

**Question?** What does the thought of surrendering to God bring to mind?

### **I. King Ahab surrenders**

**Question?** Read **I Kings 20:4**. Discuss Ahab's response in relationship to surrendering to God.

**Question?** Do you think it is true that we will worship or surrender to something or someone in our life?

### **II. Surrender, the Second Step**

**Question?** Do you see surrender as the second step in the Christian life?

**Question?** Practically speaking, what does surrendering to God look like?

### **III. True Surrender**

**Question?** Respond to the following statement: Surrender is a battle term. It implies giving up all rights to the conqueror. When an opposing army surrenders, they lay down their arms, and the winners take control from then on. Surrendering to God works the same way. God has a plan for our lives, and surrendering to Him means we set aside our own plans and eagerly seek His.

**Question?** Read and discuss **Galatians 2:20**.

**Question?** Discuss the following statements: Surrendering your life means:

- Following God's lead without knowing where he's sending you;
- Waiting for God's timing without knowing when it will come;
- Expecting a miracle without knowing how God will provide;
- Trusting God's purpose without understanding the circumstances.

**Question?** Read **Mark 14:36** and discuss Jesus' surrender to God the Father.

### **IV. What is good about Surrender?**

**Question?** Read **Jeremiah 29:11** - what is good about surrender?

**Question?** Discuss the following statement: As one author put it: The Bible specifically tells us that if we choose to follow our own way and path in this life - then that path will eventually lead to a life with little to show for it from a heavenly perspective. In other words, you will have forever wasted your one and only opportunity to find out exactly what you were created for, and what your true divine destiny was going to be in the Lord.

### **V. Obstacles to surrendering to God**

**Question?** Why is pride an obstacle to surrender?

**Question?** Why is Fear and Doubt an obstacle to surrender?

**Question?** Discuss **Matthew 16:25**.

**Question?** Discuss the following: Only God knows what you were really created to be in this life. Only God knows what you would really be best at. Only God knows what your true divine calling should be in this life. Only God knows who you should marry and what jobs you should be taking in this life.

**Prayer needs**