**Consecration Pt.1**

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*and do not go on presenting the members of your body to sin as instruments of unrighteousness; but present yourselves to God as those alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God.* **Romans 6:13 (NASB95)**

*Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship.* **Romans 12:1 (NASB)**

**4 reasons why we should consecrate ourselves to the Lord**

**1. So we can walk in the Lord’s way.**

*For this reason also, since the day we heard of it, we have not ceased to pray for you and to ask that you may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding,
10  so that you will walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God;
11  strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might, for the attaining of all steadfastness and patience; joyously
12  giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of the saints in Light.*

**Colossians 1:9-12 (NASB)**

*Let us behave properly as in the day, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual promiscuity and sensuality, not in strife and jealousy.
14  But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh in regard to its lusts. Before we were saved, we walked in our own way, made our own decisions, and chose our own direction. But after we’re saved, God wants us to walk in His way, follow Him, and be led by Him.* **Romans 13:13-14 (NASB)**

*Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, implore you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called,* **Ephesians 4:1 (NASB)**

**2. So we can grow in life.**

*As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming;
15  but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him who is the head, even Christ,* **Ephesians 4:14-15 (NASB)**