

Monday Morning Rewind – August 28, 2006

Happy Monday. Ready to try your hand at being a living sacrifice this week? Our daughter Crystal was put to the test almost immediately after church Sabbath on the drive home. She was behind the wheel on the freeway when one of the “idiots” I talked about in the sermon cut her off and continued to weave erratically through traffic. We were all upset but Crystal was really steaming. That’s when we reminded her of the “key” to dying to self—saying “Not I, but Christ.” We had a good laugh over it, but through the laughter, we all got the point.

Where are you going to need this key today? This week? In traffic? On your job? As you look for work? As you begin classes? In your marriage? Dealing with creditors? Fellow church members? All this week, let “Not I, but Christ” be the guiding phrase and pledge of your life. Say it in faith and ask God for strength to remain on the altar, surrendered to His will and purpose.

Rewind to Romans 12:1, 2 and Galatians 2:20 and let the renewing of your mind begin.

As you do so, remember these lines from the song, “When Praise Demands a Sacrifice”—

God hears the words of praise we lift, yet I have found.

He's honored more by what I am willing to lay down.

--Pastor Randy