

SWAN SONG

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JOHN 3:22-30
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LESS OF ME, MORE OF HIM

1. Yield to His will and rest _____ v27

v27 A man can receive nothing unless it has been given him from heaven.

James 1:17 Every good thing given and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shifting shadow.

1 Corinthians 12:11 But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually just as He wills.

Matthew 25:15 To one he gave five talents, to another, two, and to another, one, each according to his own ability; and he went on his journey.

1 Peter 4:10 As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

Numbers 16:8-11 Then Moses said to Korah, "Hear now, you sons of Levi, ⁹ is it not enough for you that the God of Israel has separated you from the rest of the congregation of Israel, to bring you near to Himself, to do the service of the tabernacle of the Lord, and to stand before the congregation to minister to them; ¹⁰ and that He has brought you near, Korah, and all your brothers, sons of Levi, with you? And are you seeking for the priesthood also? ¹¹ Therefore you and all your company are gathered together against the Lord."

2. See yourself rightly and _____ freely v28

v28 You yourselves are my witnesses that I said, 'I am not the Christ,' but, 'I have been sent ahead of Him.'

John 1:6 There came a man sent from God, whose name was John.

John 1:15 John testified about Him and cried out, saying, "This was He of whom I said, 'He who comes after me has a higher rank than I, for He existed before me.' "

John 1:23 He said, "I am a voice of one crying in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord,' as Isaiah the prophet said."

John 15:5 Apart from me you can do nothing.

1 Corinthians 3:5-7 What then is Apollos? And what is Paul? Servants through whom you believed, even as the Lord gave opportunity to each one. ⁶ I planted, Apollos watered, but God was causing the growth. ⁷ So then neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but God who causes the growth.

3. _____ your role and experience joy v29

v29 He who has the bride is the bridegroom; but the friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly because of the bridegroom's voice. So this joy of mine has been made full.

Isaiah 54:5 For your husband is your Maker, whose name is the Lord of hosts; and your Redeemer is the Holy One of Israel, who is called the God of all the earth.

Isaiah 62:5 And as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so your God will rejoice over you.

Luke 2:10 But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of great joy which will be for all the people."

John 15:10-11 If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love; just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love. These things I have spoken to you so that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be made full.

Psalms 16:11 You will make known to me the path of life; in Your presence is fullness of joy; in Your right hand there are pleasures forever.

4. Exalt Christ and welcome _____ v30

v30 He must increase, but I must decrease.

Psalms 72:17 May his name endure forever; may his name increase as long as the sun shines.

Isaiah 9:7 There will be no end to the increase of His government or of peace, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and righteousness from then on and forevermore.

Colossians 1:18 He is also head of the body, the church; and He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that He Himself will come to have first place in everything.

Galatians 6:14 But may it never be that I would boast, except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

PREVENTING MINISTRY ENVY

A. Remember, it's not about _____

Philippians 1:21 For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.

Philippians 2:3 Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves.

B. Refuse to _____

John 21:21-22 So Peter seeing him said to Jesus, "Lord, and what about this man?" ²² Jesus said to him, "If I want him to remain until I come, what is that to you? You follow Me!"

C. Pursue _____

Matthew 25:23 His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful slave. You were faithful with a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master."

D. Pray for God to _____ others

E. Be quick to _____ others

Romans 12:10 Be devoted to one another in brotherly love; give preference to one another in honor.

NEXT WEEK: John 3:31-36



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