

# Submission

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# The freedom in submission

- Richard Foster says on page 111, “What freedom corresponds to submission? It is the ability to lay down the terrible burden of always needing to get our own way.”

“Frankly, most things in life are not nearly as important as we think they are.”



# Have it your way / Take up the Cross

**Anyone promoting Jesus as some Burger King, who lets you “have it your way,” is trying to sell you a Whopper!**



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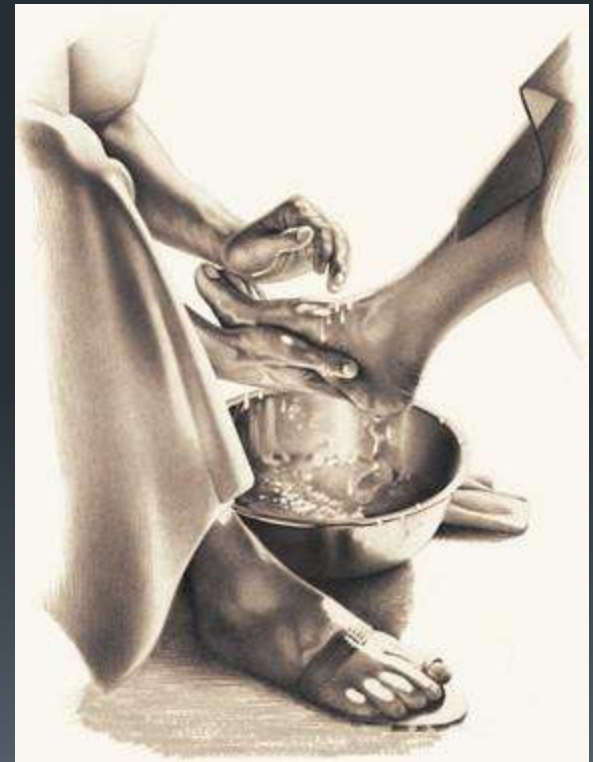
Mark 8:34

“... If anyone would after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.”

“Self denial is simply a way of coming to understand that we do not have to have our own way. Our happiness is not dependent on getting what we want”  
Foster, p113

# Revolutionary submission

- As taught by Jesus –  
“Leadership is found in becoming the servant of all. Power is discovered in submission.”  
- Foster, p 115
- “If any one would be first, he must be last of all and servant of all.” – Mark 9:35
- Foot washing – “I have given you an example, that you should done as I have done to you.” – John 13:15



# The Acts of Submission

- 1 – To the triune God
- 2 – To scripture
- 3 – To our family
- 4 – To our neighbors
- 5 – To the body of Christ
- 6 – To the broken and despised
- 7 – To the world





# Covenant Prayer – John Wesley

I am no longer my own, but thine.

Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with  
whom thou wilt.

Put me to doing, put me to suffering.

Let me be employed by thee or laid aside  
for thee, exalted for thee or brought  
low for thee.

Let me be full, let me be empty.

Let me have all things, let me have  
nothing.

I freely and heartily yield all things  
to thy pleasure and disposal.

And now, O glorious and blessed God,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it.

And the covenant which  
I have made on earth,  
let it be ratified in heaven.

Amen.