



Live Free from Sin



... But thanks be to God that, though you used to be slaves to sin, you have come to obey from your heart the pattern of teaching that has now claimed your allegiance.

Romans 6:17 NIV

LEADERS LETTER

Dear Church,

Praise God we are no longer slaves to sin, there is no reason for us to sin. Paul used the Greek word 'doulos' in Romans 6:17 for 'slave'. It describes the most miserable condition possible! It means a slave whose will is totally dominated by the will of his master. It describes a person who has no destiny of his own making, rather he is completely under the control of his master fulfilling all his whims and desires. It means that the person exists only to fulfil the commands of the master.

Once upon a time we may have thought we were in control of our lives but the reality is that we are engulfed by the will of satan, at his mercy, his puppet, we thought we were making decisions, but it was our sinful nature controlled by satan that was calling the shots.

We were so wrapped up in this sin nature, it was so rooted in us that we were inseparable from it, it was working in us and controlling us. This demonic presence was supreme.

Ephesians 2:2. says '*in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience*'.

Christian author Rick Jenner notes that the Greek word used here for 'work in' is 'energeo' and it points to a force that is energising. Before we were born again by the Holy Spirit we were driven by the spirit that drives the 'sons of disobedience' we were completely at the mercy of satan and his demonic plan for our life, using us to harm ourselves and others.

But now we are born again believers we have a different Spirit at work in us, we have a different energy driving us and this Spirit is driving us to do God's will in our lives. When we are submitted to God and His Word, we have the power of God energising us so we can refuse to let sin have its way in our lives.

So as believers there's is no reason or excuse to continue to live sin controlled lives. We have a new Master now - Jesus Christ! We can resist the pull of the devil's force by yielding to the power of the Holy Spirit living in us. Ask Him to help you to submit to God, refuse sin and live a free and victorious life in Christ! He will and wants to help you.

Every blessing
David

Sunday Service
Epping Hall
@10.30 - 12:00

02 February
09 February
16 February
23 February

Bible Study
The Box
@19:00 - 20:30

Wed. 05 Feb.
Wed. 12 Feb.
Wed. 19 Feb.
Wed. 26 Feb.

Prayer Meetings
Every Sunday
@10:00 - 10:25

Prayer Online
@19:00 - 19:30
Thurs. 06 Feb.
Thurs. 13 Feb.
Thurs. 20 Feb.
Thurs. 27 Feb

Encounter Night
The Box
@19:00 - 20:30

Fri. 07 Feb.
Fri. 21 Feb.

Limitless Youth
The Box
@19:00 - 21:00

Fri. 14 Feb.
Fri. 28 Feb.

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'God teaches us to love by putting some unlovely people around us. It takes no character to love people who are lovely and loving to you.'
— Rick Warren



Saturday 15 Feb. | 10:00 am - 12:00 Noon

RSVP: Lynette

A Prayer for Love

God,

Remind me that love is always near, because You are never far.

When I feel unworthy of love, remind me that You have made me worthy. And when I feel incapable of showing love, help me to remember what You've sacrificed for me.

Remind me of how loved I am so I can remind others of how loved they are.

In Jesus' name,

Amen.

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SAVE THE DATE



Dave Campbell
Elim Regional Leader
will be speaking at our
Sunday service on 16th February

Have you been
BAPTISED?

Please speak to a member of the leadership team if you wish to be baptised.

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CHURCH LEADERSHIP TEAM

- Senior Pastor:** David Tarr - pastor@lfechurchepping.org.uk
- Elder/Church Treasurer:** John McCredie
- Elder:** David Smith
- Deacon:** Linda Stringer
- Deacon:** Janti Charalambous

Elim News

Regents Postgraduate Open Evening - online
7:00pm - 8:00pm, Thu 13 Feb
Online

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- Children's Ministry:** Janti
- Limitless Youth:** Alex & Ayesha
- Ladies Ministry:** Lynette
- Worship Ministry:** Lynette
- Men's Ministry:** Pastor David