

We Are Not Our Own: Stewardship v Ownership

Matthew 21:33-46

Every Heart has Twin Motivations

Sinful Heart	Christ Owned Heart
Fear	Faith
Rebellion	Repentance
Produces: “Mine”	Produces: “His”



Faith and Repentance

Of Faith and Repentance, there is no priority. The faith that leads to salvation is a penitent faith and the repentance that is unto life is a believing repentance ...

saving faith is permeated with repentance,
repentance is permeated with saving faith.

Fear and Rebellion Opposes Faith and Repentance

It may be safe to say that
Fear of Man and Idols
is the opposite of
Faith in Christ

Rebellion against God
Is the opposite of
Humble Repentance

Faith and Repentance

Was originally created in the
heart of the first human beings
In the Garden of Eden

Stewardship

Fear and Rebellion

These were the twin
motivations

In the hearts of Adam and Eve

When they decided
to make their lives their own

Ownership

**Jesus tells a parable
About Fearful and Rebellious
Ownership**

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Uncle Screwtape

**(In all the world the biggest) joke
is the word "Mine".**

For the word "Mine",

**in its fully possessive sense,
cannot be uttered**

by a human being about anything.

**In the long run either Satan or God
will say "Mine" of each thing that exists,
and especially of each man.**

Questions

Is our life defined by fear and rebellion?

Is our life defined by faith and repentance?

Do we live as stewards or owners?

Is it all His or is it all mine?

It all belongs to Christ to do with as he wishes.

We Are Not Our Own

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What is your only comfort
in life and death?

A.

That I am not my own,
but belong with body and soul,
both in life and in death,
to my faithful Saviour Jesus Christ.