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INTRODUCTION

1. Being loved is humbling. We want to be loved & to love.
2. 2C5:13-15 Christ's love for us: v15; Rm 8:34-35; 1Jn 4:9-10
3. Christ's love gripped & motivated Paul

**1st: A Life of Union with Jesus' Death and Resurrection - v14b-15a**

1. *therefore all died... that they who live:* joined to Jesus' death & resurrection.
2. Rm 6:11-13
  - i. v1-10 define us: united in Jesus' death & res - in rln to sin - v10-11.
  - ii. Imperatives [commands] are based on indicatives [factual statements]: b/c we are united to Christ, we are commanded to live for Christ - v13b

**2nd: A Life of Discipleship**

1. 2C5:15b *they who live* [united to Jesus in His resurrection] *no longer live for self* [having died w/ Jesus in His death]. *No longer living for self*.
  - i. interpersonal communication dynamics
  - ii. technology
2. In Gn 3 - desire for autonomy: selfish selfolatry is idolatry
3. *no longer live for self* = essence of discipleship - Lk 9:23.
4. We have died to sin of selfishness united to Jesus' death.

**3rd: A Life of Service**

1. 2C5:13 - *for God, for you*. Serve Jesus by serving His Bride - Mt 25:40.
2. We are alive to live & serve united to Jesus' resurrection - Gal 6:10
3. Best way to break back of selfishness is to serve others out of love for Jesus.

**Applic #1: Appreciate Each Other's Service**

**Applic #2: Intentionally Crucify Selfishness in Union with Cross of Christ**

**Applic #3: Make Jesus' Death & Resurrection the Dynamic of Your Life**

**Applic #4: Love Jesus and Each Other** 1C13:4-7