

THEME: My heart- Christ's home

TITLE: Is your heart a home for Jesus? Transferring the title

SONG: Can't live a day without You!

Walk with me

INTRO: Welcome to Grace Notes. We are concluding our series featuring the booklet entitled 'My heart, Christ's home', written by Robert Boyd Munger in 1936. We trust you have found these programs introspective and that the Lord is cleaning your heart home as a result of listening to Mr. Munger's writing and the Scriptures. This program focuses on the need to turn your entire life over to the Lord and give Him the title deed to your heart. Listen carefully and be willing to make that commitment. *****

In this series we have looked at our heart as a house with many rooms or areas, and the relationship we have with the Lord Jesus in light of what is done in each place. We surveyed the Study and analyzed what we watch and read as to its merit, the Dining room where our appetites and desires were brought to the forefront, the Living room where fellowship with the Lord is to take place, the Workroom that revealed our talents in light of what we are or aren't doing for the Lord, the Rec room that showed how the relationships and activities that are important to us may need to be changed, and the Hall Closet – where we harbor secret things we are holding onto. It was a real eye opener – or should we say heart opener.

Now it's time to get real about everything – time to decide if we trust the Lord Jesus to not only help us clean house, but to take over and run our life.

Mr. Boyd concludes...

..a thought came to me. I said to myself, "I have been trying to keep this heart of mine clean and available for Christ but it is hard work. I start on one room and no sooner have I cleaned it then I discover another room is dirty. I begin on the second room and the first one is already dusty again. I'm getting tired trying to maintain a clean heart and an obedient life. I just am not up to it."

Suddenly I asked, "Lord, is there a possibility You would be willing to manage the whole house and operate it for me just

as you did that closet? Could I give to You the responsibility of keeping my heart what it ought to be and myself doing what I ought to be doing?"

I could see His face light up as He replied, "I'd love to! This is exactly what I came to do. You can't live out the Christian life in your own strength. That is impossible. Let me do it for you and through you. That's the only way it will really work! But", He added slowly, "I am not the owner of this house. Remember, I'm here as your guest. I have no authority to take charge since the property is not mine."

In a flash it all became clear. Excitedly I exclaimed, "Lord, You have been my guest, and I have been trying to play the host. From now on You are going to be the owner and master of the house. I'm going to be the servant."

Running as fast as I could to the strongbox, I took out the title deed to the house describing its assets and liabilities, its condition, location and situation. Then rushing to Him, I eagerly signed it over giving title to Him alone for time and eternity. Dropping to my knees, I presented it to Him. "Here it is, all that I am and have forever. Now You run the house. Just let me stay with You as houseboy and friend."

He took my life that day and I can give you my word, there is no better way to live the Christian life. He knows how to keep it and use it. A deep peace settled down on my soul that has remained. I am His and He is mine forever!

May Christ settle down and be at home as Lord of your heart also.

So ends the writing of Mr. Boyd. This song fits his message so well.

***** WRITER:Avalon
** Can't Live A Day Without You ** LENGTH: 4:43

Verse 1

*I could live life alone
And never fill the longings of my heart
The healing warmth of someone's arms
And I could live without dreams
And never know the thrill of what could be
With every star so far and out of reach
I could live without many things
And I could carry on, but...*

Chorus

*I couldn't face my life tomorrow
Without Your hope in my heart I know
I can't live a day without You
Lord, there's no night and there's no morning
Without Your loving arms to hold me
You're the heartbeat of all I do
I can't live a day without You*

Verse 2

*I could travel the world
See all the wonders beautiful and new
They'd only make me think of You
And I could have all life offers
Riches that were far beyond compare
To grant my every wish without a care
Oh, I could do anything, oh yes
But if You weren't in it all...*

Repeat chorus

Bridge

*Oh, Jesus, I live because You live
You're like the air I breathe
Oh, Jesus, I have because You give
You're everything to me*

Repeat Chorus 2x

The conclusion of it all is that we need to turn the title deed of our heart to Jesus Christ and give Him Lordship over us.

Our heart is the center of our total personality, our emotions or feelings.

Proverbs 4:23 says...

Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it.

The definition of 'Lord' is a person who has authority over others.

God has the right to require us to give Him Lordship over us because He gave His life as a ransom for the sins we've committed against God. 1 Corinthians 6:20 says we were bought at a price - His precious blood shed on Calvary. He paid our debt - a debt we could not have paid.

**The Psalmist understood this when he wrote in Psalm 19:14...
May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my HEART
be pleasing in your sight, LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer.**

So how do we do this?

Proverbs 3:3 tells us...

**Let love and faithfulness never leave you;
bind them around your neck,
write them on the tablet of your HEART.**

Proverbs 7:2-3 says...

**Keep my commands and you will live;
guard my teachings as the apple of your eye.
Bind them on your fingers; write them on the tablet of your
HEART.**

Proverbs 3:5-6 reads...

**Trust in the LORD with all your HEART
and lean not on your own understanding;
in all your ways SUBMIT to him,
and He will make your paths straight**

**We can only do these things when we come to Him for help and
rest in Him.**

Jesus said in Matthew 11:28-29

**"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will
give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and LEARN from me, for
I am gentle and humble in HEART, and you will find rest for
your souls.**

**When we come under His yoke, He makes the burdens of living
easier.**

**God is not only LOVE. He is lovely and loving as well. The more
we spend time walking with Jesus, the Lover of our soul, the
more we'll understand His love and grow in our love for Him!**

******* WRITER: Ken Snyder**

**** WALK WITH ME ** LENGTH: 3:25 (intro 10)**

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Walk with me Walk with me
Lest mine eyes no longer see
All the glory - All of the story of your love

Talk to me Talk to me
As you spoke so tenderly
As you walk there, as you talk there By the sea

Let me follow in the footsteps
That trod the shores of galilee
And let me learn to pray as he prayed
In the garden of Gethsemane

Take my hand Take my hand
Teach me, lord, to understand
All the beauty - All the duty of your love

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