

Have Your “Yes” Ready

Description

Acts 20:17-24

Our current District Superintendent has a saying that challenges the pastors on our district always to “have your ‘yes’ ready.”

I’ve become convinced over the years that the life seeking after holiness is one that consistently says “yes” to the leading of God. In fact, I think one of the characteristics of the sanctified life is that one’s life actually becomes a wholehearted “yes” to God. I believe it’s possible for our lives to be more than a bunch of individual “yes” decisions. God can do something in our lives where our life is “yes.”

I think Paul had reached that place in his life by the time the events of Acts 20 happened. He was compelled by the Spirit, even when the future was uncertain and the outcome wasn’t clear. He didn’t debate with God or question the Spirit’s leading. He had his “yes” ready, because his whole life was a “yes” to the movement of God in and through his life.

What would our lives look like if our posture before God was something like, “Lord, the answer is ‘yes.’ Now, what’s the question?”

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