## (Continuation of Morning Lesson)

- B. We must strongly resist the pressure to conform to the world's mold. Rom. 12:1, 2
- C. Evil companions are bad for morals. 1 Cor. 15:33
  - 1. So, we should stay away from them as much as possible. 1 Thess. 5:22
  - 2. Pitching tents toward Sodom has left behind the smoking ruins of many families. Gen. 13:12; 14:12; 19:16, 24, 26, 31-36
- D. Any that love the opinions of father, mother, brother, sister, or children more than Christ cannot be his disciple.
  Luke 14:26
- E. Men do not have a safe guideline for crossing the chasm that separates earth and eternity. Matt. 7:13, 14

## III. MESSIAH.

- A. A third choice is to let Christ rule my life.
  - 1. He is knocking at the door of my heart. Rev. 3:20
  - 2. However, he will never force his way in. Luke 24:28, 29
- B. He drafts no soldiers and presents no subpoenas for his mediatorship. Matt. 22:37; 2 Cor. 5:14
- C. One that comes to Christ must renounce all, take up his cross, and follow as closely as he can in the master's footsteps. Luke 14:26, 27; 1 Pet 2:21, 22
- D. The choice is difficult, but never regretted. 2 Cor. 7:10
  - 1. His truth sets us free. John 8:32
  - 2. His life is abundant. John 10:10
  - 3. His rule is not unreasonable. 1 John 5:3
  - 4. Joshua gave his life and was never disappointed. Josh. 24:15
  - Paul gave Christ his heart and never looked back.
     Tim. 4:6-8; Luke 9:62

## **CONC:**

- 1. The truth is, "No servant can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon." Luke 16:13
- 2. Who is at the controls of my life?