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*“All this running through my mind as I stood overlooking the Oder Sound...thinking about our cultural moment and the compromise rampant in our day. Should we just give up and capitulate to the powers of our time? Should we sit by while our faith is taken captive by political and ideological forces? Should we avert our eyes while mammon wreaks havoc on our hearts? Should we watch twenty million young people leave the church in our generation? A million a year give up on faith? Is it possible to build community in such a way that though it is small, generations to come will look back on our faithfulness in a generation of compromise?”*

*- Jon Tyson, A Beautiful Resistance*

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### 2 Peter 2:19

*“They promise them freedom, but they themselves are slaves of corruption. For whatever overcomes a person, to that he is enslaved.”*

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*“Indwelling sin is compared to a person, a living person, called “the old man,” with his faculties, and properties, his wisdom, craft, subtlety, strength; this, says the apostle, must be killed, put to death, mortified, — that is, have its power, life, vigour, and strength, to produce its effects, taken away by the Spirit.”*

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*“Do you mortify; do you make it your daily work; be always at it whilst you live; cease not a day from this work; be killing sin or it will be killing you. Your being dead with Christ virtually, your being quickened with him, will not excuse you from this work.”*

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*“our deepest desires—usually to become people of goodness and love—are often sabotaged by the stronger surface-level desires of our flesh. This is exacerbated by a culture where the widespread wisdom of the day is to follow our desires, not crucify them. But in reality, “Be true to yourself” is some of the worst advice anybody could ever give you. Here’s why: giving in to the desires of our flesh does not lead us to freedom and life, as many people assume, but instead to slavery and, in the worst-case scenario, addiction, which is a kind of prolonged suicide by pleasure.”*

- John Mark Comer, *Live No Lies*

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- An ambassador of the Most High God (2 Cor 5:20)
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