



“All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned everyone to his own way, and the LORD has laid upon Him the iniquity of us all.” Isaiah 53:6

At the heart of sin lies rebellion – the insistence that we have our own way. It is such a part of our nature that we revel in our “independence” and ever assert it as our “right.” But of course, such thought is delusional. Delusional because all liberty begins within the human heart and then displays itself outwardly in men’s lives and community governments. Also, independence from tyranny and oppression is one thing. But men who are a law unto themselves only exchange one form of bondage for another. Any suggestion that maintains our actions are independent, sovereign-like and unaccountable to any other, is where we confuse the issue. If any people is to live free and independently they must at some point be willing to live morally self-restrained lives!

In His creation, the Creator has fashioned men to function in harmony with Himself. It is here, at His side, and only at His side that we find rich fulfillment and satisfaction. Any other place is harmful and even destructive. A moving car without a competent driver is dangerous!

Examine your heart (2 Corinthians 13:5). Are you attempting to live out your own plan or are you living in a manner wholly submitted to Christ? He has taken your rebellion, your iniquity, and your sin upon Himself. He has paid the price for your rebellion in His own body – are you willing to yield your selfishness to His gracious plan and purpose for your life?

It is at this point of surrender to His will that you will find peace of heart and rest of mind. “Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:” (Romans 5:1)

“Lord, You bore so much for me. Indeed, I am eternally grateful.”

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