

ENGAGING GOSPEL DOCTRINE (EPISODE 159)

LESSON 33

“Ye Are the Temple of God”

Hook	In this reading we are told that we “are not our own” and “bought with a price”. At the same time, the sacredness of agency and responsibility is a key principle of the gospel. How do we understand these ideas?
Manual Goal	To inspire class members to seek the blessings that come from being unified in Christ, following the Spirit, and being morally clean.
EGD Goal	To inspire class members to embrace the idea of being “a temple of God” in an empowering, constructive way and to use their agency in a way that brings happiness and well-being.

Corrections to consider: (From Ray) What about people who “don’t appreciate that we don’t use the manual more”?

There are always going to be people who are upset that teachers are not "loyal", i.e. correlated enough. But for every one of those, I think there are at least 10 hungry for something different, authentic, nourishing.

I think the manual lessons can be taught very well. But those already exist, right? :) I think that listeners can decide what percentage of manual content to use and what percentage of podcast material to use.

I. Sunday School

- a. How this discussion usually plays out at Church Review the reading
- b. Unity in the Church
- c. Human and divine wisdom
- d. “Milk and meat” (use and misuse!) “Milk before meat, but meat”
- e. “Ye are the temple of God”/“Ye are not your own”
 - i. How this can be empowering and healthy
 - ii. How this message can be disempowering and unhealthy
 - iii. Finding the healthy balance (somewhere between “I don’t have any say in what I do” and “I can do whatever I want; no one can tell me what to do”)
- f. Conclusion I

II. Scripture Study

- a. Return to the reading (Including the Scripture Chain I forgot to put in Part I)
- b. Paul’s Corinthian correspondence (Read from Ehrman)

- c. Jesus on marriage
- d. Paul on not-marriage

III. Study Notes

- a. The Bible and homosexuality
- b. Our body vs. God's temple II (Behavioral economics, we do what we let ourselves get away with), on the other hand "not our own" can mean "not my problem" or "there is no point"

Resources:

Link to Natasha and Jennifer's stuff, new beginnings on chastity/sexuality?

Milk before meat, but meat

Mormonsandgays.org