

## SERMON MESSAGE FOR DECEMBER 29/30, 2018

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**CHRISTMAS AT OUR HOUSE**  
*The Indwelling Lord at Home in Our Hearts*  
Ephesians 3:14-19 (p. 999)

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**MAIN IDEA** → The God of the Universe moves into \_\_\_\_\_  
through \_\_\_\_\_. (17; Rom. 8:9; Rev. 3:20)

### WHEN HE MOVES IN ...

1. He takes \_\_\_\_\_ of His \_\_\_\_\_. (17; 1 Cor 6:19-20)
2. He sets up \_\_\_\_\_. (17; 1 John 5:12-13)

**WARNING** → Do not attempt to \_\_\_\_\_ He moves in.  
(18; Malachi 3:2, NIV; Eph 1:7)

3. He \_\_\_\_\_ from the \_\_\_\_\_. (16-17; Phil 1:6)
4. He brings the \_\_\_\_\_ that you've been \_\_\_\_\_. (17-19)

**TRUTH** → We have \_\_\_\_\_ hearts that are only \_\_\_\_\_ when  
Jesus moves in. (19; John 10:10, NIV)

### How do you experience this kind of full life?

- You \_\_\_\_\_ to give you what is \_\_\_\_\_.

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## FROM THE DECEMBER 29/30, 2018 SERMON QUESTIONS FOR PERSONAL PRAYER REFLECTION

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Life Groups will be on break until the week of January 13, 2019. For this weekend's message, read Ephesians 3:14-19 and review your outline notes.

1. What reactions come when you stop and really consider that the God of the universe lives in your heart through faith? (v. 17; Rom. 8:9; Rev. 3:20)
2. In what ways is this truth good news for you: "When He moves in ... He takes possession of His property"? (v. 17; 1 Cor. 6:19-20)
3. In what ways is this truth good news for you: "When He moves in ... He sets up permanent residence"? (v. 17; 1 John 5:12-13)
4. "When He moves in ... He remodels from the inside out." (vs. 16-17; Phil. 1:6) How are you feeling these days about this reality? Are you excited about the changes He has planned for 2019? Why or why not?
5. What are one or two things you can do this week in order to further experience God's love for you? (vs. 17-19)

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*(For Scripture references and fill-in the blanks)*

**MAIN IDEA:** The God of the Universe moves into **vacant hearts** through **faith**. (17; Rom. 8:9; Rev. 3:20)

"However, you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. But if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him." Romans 8:9

"Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and will dine with him, and he with Me." Revelation 3:20

*WHEN HE MOVES IN ...*

1. He takes **possession** of His **property**. (17; 1 Cor 6:19-20)

"Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? For you have been bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body." 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

2. He sets up **permanent residence**. (17; 1 John 5:12-13)

"He who has the Son has the life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have the life. These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life." 1 John 5:12-13

**WARNING:** Do not attempt to **clean up before** He moves in. (18; Malachi 3:2, NIV; Eph. 1:7)

"But who can endure the day of his coming? Who can stand when he appears? For he will be like a refiner's fire or a launderer's soap." Malachi 3:2 (NIV)

"In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace that he lavished on us." Ephesians 1:7

3. He **remodels** from the **inside out**. (16-17; Phil 1:6)

"For I am confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus." Philippians 1:6

4. He brings the **love** that you've been **longing for**. (17-19)

*"The infinite abyss can only be filled by an infinite and immutable object, that is to say, only by God Himself."* Blaise Pascal

*"You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you."* Augustine of Hippo

**TRUTH:** We have **God-shaped** hearts that are only **filled** when Jesus moves in. (19; John 10:10, NIV)

"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full." John 10:10 (NIV)

***How do you experience this kind of full life?***

- You trust God to give you what is already yours.