

The Master(s)

Ready:

“No one can serve two masters... ” - Matthew 6:24

Set

Playing the final round of The Masters in 2014 was very fitting for golfer Bubba Watson. For him it was an opportunity to win The Masters for the second time in three years, while playing for his Master, Jesus Christ.

Watson defeated Jordan Spieth and Jonas Blixt to win his second major championship. After his first win in 2012, he thanked his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, and admitted he didn't know what to say because as he put it, “I never got this far in my dreams.”

Reflecting on one of the biggest days in Watson's career, we, as Christian competitors, should follow his example and not allow what happens in competition to change who we are on the inside, and more importantly, Whom we serve. Often, people get an indication of whom or what is our "master " by how we respond in both victory and defeat.

For Bubba Watson, it is clear that Jesus Christ is his Master. Winning The Masters isn't going to change that. Everyone serves someone or something. I encourage you to identify whom or what is your master in life and to understand the consequences of serving this master for the rest of your life.

If your master is anything or anyone other than Jesus Christ, the product of your service will be worthless in the end. If you want your life to have eternal significance, you must surrender your life to the only One worthy of being called Master: the Lord Jesus Christ.

Go

1. Have you allowed sports/winning to become your “master”?
2. If Jesus Christ is your Master, what are some other things that challenge your allegiance to Him? If Jesus Christ is not your Master, whom or what is? Why?
3. Why do you think Jesus says that “No one can serve two masters”?

Workout

- Joshua 24:14-27
- 2 Timothy 2:19-21

Bible Reference:

2 Timothy 2



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