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Saturday Evening

“The Gift of Giving”



“Then the people rejoiced because they had given willingly, for with a whole heart they had offered freely to the Lord.”

1 Chronicles 29:9a

The “gift” of giving in this instance would be experiencing the joy of giving willingly and with their whole heart.



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Prelude

Call to Worship and Invocation

Psalm 103:1-8

¹ Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

² Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits,

³ who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases,

⁴ who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,

⁵ who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

⁶ The LORD works righteousness and justice for all who are oppressed.

⁷ He made known his ways to Moses, his acts to the people of Israel.

⁸ The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

*Hymn

“Take My Life and Let It Be”

Hymn #585

Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee.
Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise,
let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of Thy love.
Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for Thee,
swift and beautiful for Thee.

Take my voice, and let me sing, always, only, for my King.
Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from Thee,
filled with messages from Thee.

Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect, and use ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose,
ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose.

Take my will, and make it Thine; it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is Thine own; it shall be Thy royal throne,
it shall be Thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour at Thy feet its treasure-store.
Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for Thee,
ever, only, all for Thee.

*Scripture

1 Kings 19:19-21

¹⁹ So he departed from there and found Elisha the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen in front of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and cast his cloak upon him.

²⁰ And he left the oxen and ran after Elijah and said, “Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you.” And he said to him, “Go back again, for what have I done to you?”

²¹ And he returned from following him and took the yoke of oxen and sacrificed them and boiled their flesh with the yokes of the oxen and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he arose and went after Elijah and assisted him.

Message

“Cost of Discipleship”

Rev. Chris Vogel

*Hymn

“I Asked the Lord”

I asked the Lord that I might grow in faith and love and ev'ry grace,
might more of His salvation know and seek more earnestly His face.

'Twas He who taught me thus to pray and He I trust has answered prayer,
but it has been in such a way as almost drove me to despair.

I hoped that in some favored hour at once He'd answer my request,
and by His love's constraining pow'r subdue my sins and give me rest.

Instead of this He made me feel the hidden evils of my heart,
and let the angry pow'rs of Hell assault my soul in every part.

Yea more with His own hand He seemed intent to aggravate my woe,
crossed all the fair designs I schemed, humbled my heart and laid me low.

“Lord, why is this,” I trembling, cried, “wilt Thou pursue Thy worm to death?”
“'Tis in this way” the Lord replied, “I answer prayer for grace and faith.”

“These inward trials I employ from self and pride to set thee free,
and break thy schemes of earthly joy that thou may'st find thy all in Me.”

*Benediction

Postlude

**Please Stand if Able*