

Sermon Notes with Pastor's Teaching Tool

A SPIRITUAL SACRIFICE / GIVING

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Philippians 4:14-23 (vs. 18-19)

¹⁸ But I have all, and abound: I am full, having received of Epaphroditus the things which were sent from you, an odour of a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, wellpleasing to God.

¹⁹ But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches (in) glory (by) Christ Jesus.

Teaching Purpose

Answers the question, "How should I understand this verse?" Is the passage dealing with a:

S	P	E	C	S
<u>Sin</u> to confess and forsake?	<u>Promise</u> to claim?	<u>Example</u> to follow?	<u>Command</u> to obey?	<u>Situation</u> or <u>State of mind</u> to avoid before it develops into a sin?

Sermonic Principles

Answers the question: “What’s in it for me?”

I) **If / Since** you are a Child of GOD:

- a) you Know your **Identity / Mission / Message / Method /** and your **Moral Purpose**
- b) you Know that you are a **Worshipper** of the One True Living GOD **(who is your Forever Father)**
- c) you Know that you are a **HOLY PRIESTHOOD** offering **SPIRITUAL SACRIFICES** acceptable **To** GOD

In THE SPIRIT

Through THE LORD JESUS CHRIST **(1 Peter 2:5)**

II) **The first SPIRITUAL SACRIFICE** we offer to GOD is **US!** **(Romans 12:1-2)**

III) **The second SPIRITUAL SACRIFICE** we offer to GOD is **PRAYER** **(Psalm 141:2)**

IV) **The third SPIRITUAL SACRIFICE** we offer to GOD is **PRAISE** **(Hebrews 13:15)**

V) **The fourth SPIRITUAL SACRIFICE** we offer to GOD is **A BROKEN HEART**
(Psalm 51:16-17)

VI) **The fifth SPIRITUAL SACRIFICE** we offer to GOD is **PROCLAIMING THE GOSPEL**
(Romans 15:15-16)

VII) **The sixth SPIRITUAL SACRIFICE** we offer to GOD is our **SERVICE** (Hebrews 13:1-19)
(v. 16)

VIII) **THE SEVENTH SPIRITUAL SACRIFICE** is **GIVING** (Philippians 4:18-19)

IX) **R / R / NF**

WORSHIP is **GIVING** and
GIVING is **WORSHIP!**

REAL WORSHIP includes **GIVING...**

GIVING offerings and gifts to **GOD!**

A **GRATEFUL HEART** is a

WILLING HEART and a
GIVING HEART!!

A **GRATEFUL / WILLING / GIVING** HEART ...

GIVES ... regularly **not** sporadically
intentionally **not** impulsively

GIVES ... generously and
voluntarily
(no **gift** is pleasing to **GOD** **unless** it is **voluntary!!**)

AS CHRISTIANS ... we give sacrificially
not equally!!

AS CHRISTIANS ... We can GIVE without
loving ... BUT
we can NOT LOVE without
GIVING!!

Action Point

Having heard and understood this teaching, **WHAT** should **I DO?**

LIVE LIKE IT!!!

WORSHIP THE LORD ... WITH OBEDIENCE

(John 4:23)

PRAISE THE LORD ... WITH OBEDIENCE

(Matthew 15:18)

LOVE THE LORD ... WITH OBEDIENCE

(John 14:15)

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