

# The Importance of Giving

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[ 0 : 00 ] Welcome. Thank you for choosing to listen to another word-filled message by David Entry. Preaching is the means by which God manifests His word and nourishes our spirits.

May the life of God enter into you and you as you listen to this message. Be blessed. When you do a charitable disingenuous and when you give your arms, all you do is you do your hand.

In that translation, Jesus said when. Giving is a when. Jesus, please mention that first. Alright, verse 3. That's verse 3. Let's look at verse 5. Let's all read it together.

The first sentence. Let's go. And when you pray, you shall not be like the hypocrite. Alright, let's read the first statement there. Let's go. And when you pray.

First few phrases. And when you pray. One more time. And when you pray. Louder, please. And when you pray. So prayer is mandatory.

[ 0 : 58 ] I said this morning, it's a necessity. It's mandatory. You see the giving there. Giving is mandatory. When, verse 3. When you give your arms. Verse 5.

When you pray. Verse 6. When you pray. Alright. So prayer is a necessity. It's mandatory. When it comes to moving the things in the spirit.

And then verse 16. Says that. And when you. Verse 16. Moreover. When you do what? Fast. Let's all say that together.

When you. Fast. One more time. When you fast. For the last time. When you fast. Fasting. Praying. And giving. Go together.

When you fast. In your fasting. There must be praying. And there must be giving. It goes together. That is why. Throughout this period of fasting. We've been meeting here to pray.

[ 1 : 56 ] And we allow people to. Give. As the Lord leads them. Okay. So giving. Big time fasting. 30 days fasting. Does. Moses. Did the same thing. Moses did 40.

Jesus did 40. These are the. Two greatest figures. In the. In the. In the Bible. The Old Testament. And the New Testament. Moses. Jesus. Even David. All of them fasted. Paul fasted.

And so. Fasting is mandatory. But when you fast. It must go together. With praying. And when you fast. And pray. There must be. Some form of giving.

You see. Worship. Always goes. With giving. Any. There's no worship. You see. Every worship. Has. An element. Of sacrifice.

So we sing. We bring sacrifice. Of praise. Into the house. Of the. Every worship. Has an element. Of sacrifice. That is the giving. In fact. In. In. I think in numbers.

[ 2 : 52 ] Sorry. Exodus. Bible says that. Let none come. Before me. Empty handed. That's very interesting. So. Pray. Worship. You cannot worship.

Without giving. Any worship. That has not got sacrifice. And giving. Is not a genuine worship. Hello. So.

He says. When you give. He plays giving first. Then he said. When you pray. And then. When you fast. Say. When you give. When you pray. When you fast.

They go together. Now. Look at. Acts chapter 10. Verse. 1. 2. And particularly. 3. Acts chapter 10. Verse 1. 2. And 3. Bible says. There was a certain man. In Caesarea. Called Cornelius. A centurion. Of what is called. The Italian regiment. Verse 2. A devout man.

[ 3 : 49 ] And one who feared God. With all his household. Who gave arms generously. To the people. And prayed. To God. How many times? Always.

Alright. So. Did you realize. That he was a giver. And he prayed. He was a giver. Go to the next verse. And Bible says that. About the ninth hour.

Of the day. He saw clearly. In a vision. An angel of God. Coming. Coming in. And saying to him. Cornelius. Next verse. Cornelius. And when he observed him.

He was afraid. And he said. What is. What is it Lord? He said to him. Your. Let's read that part together. Your prayers. And your arms. Have come up for God. For a memorial. Before God. Have come up for. For a memorial. Before God. Said your prayers. And your arms. Now. Somebody said. But he wasn't fasting. When he. I showed you the other time. That he was also fasting.

[ 4 : 47 ] The angel. Didn't mention the fasting. The angel said. It's prayer. And giving. That stays before God. Prayers.

And giving. And giving. Most of us. Fasting and prayers. Is enough. If he fasted. Some people. Just fasting alone. It's anger strike. So. Prayers. And giving. Stays. Before God. But for you to know. He was fasting. In verse 30.

When Peter got there. And he was narrating. The incident to him. He told Peter. In verse 30. So Cornelius said. Four days ago. I was what? I was what? Until this hour.

And at the ninth hour. I prayed in my house. And behold. A man stood before me. So if you read it from here. You think he didn't give you. It's not a giver. And if you read the early.

[ 5 : 41 ] Preface. You think he didn't fast. You can connect the truth. He said. That time the angel gave me. He was fasting. But angels didn't say anything. About his fasting. You see. Daniel fasted.

Angels move. Cornelius fasted. Angels move. So. There is a way. Your fasting moves. Heaven. It's good to eat.

But it's better to fast. Alright. It's good to eat. Tell somebody it's good to eat. But it's better to fast. Because fasting moves. Moves spiritual things. Fasting creates spiritual movement. Your life is tight. My friend. You have to learn how to fast.

Learn how to fast. You see. After you finish fasting. You can still eat the KFC. But some of us. We call KFC. You can fast.

[ 6 : 36 ] And the devil is. Is punching you. Anyway. So. He said. I was fasting. When the angel showed up. In this season of fasting. That we are just ending.

May every angel. That has been dispatched. May you encounter them. May they arrive in peace. In the name of Jesus. And he says that the angel showed up. The angel said. So you can tell that. Your fasting moved the angel to come and tell you that. Your prayers. And your giving. Have come before God. For a memorial. God told me.

I was sharing with someone this afternoon. I had a word for the person. About what God is about to do. The person received it. And I told the person as well. That this is what God said. I should tell you. You have to be mindful of this person.

On this thing. Do this. Careful about what this. And I told the person. Please. Take. It may look. A difficult thing to do. But you can do it. Because. That's what. Now. If what I said.

[ 7 : 32 ] About. God is going to do this for you. Is true. Then I'm telling you. This one too. Is true. Because it's the same God. The God who told me. The one who is this. He said. Sometimes we want to hear the good.

But we don't want to hear the instruction. No. There's no bad in God. That's why. The church only has got good news. There's no bad in God. But some people. Take instructions as bad news. Anyway. So. He. God visited him. Cornelius. Because he was a giver. He prayed. And fast. I said. When you combine. Praying.

Fasting. And giving. Heaven moves on your behalf. And I see heaven moving on somebody's behalf. In the name of Jesus. God told me. That son. Tell my people.

Tell my people. To bring me. A sacrifice. And I knew that's true. From scriptures. Sacrifice. After this season of fasting today.

[ 8 : 31 ] We are ending it with a sacrifice. And as I was in meditation today. God said. You start with you. He began to tell me. Well. I said. God. God. This is too much. I can't give all this like that.

Then I said. The first thing. I said. No. This can't be God. This can't be God. This looks stupid. Sometimes when you obey God. You look stupid. Sometimes when you obey God.

You look stupid. But when the results come. Everybody wants to be like you. You don't need human approval. To please God. To obey God. Just obey.

Just take a step. And Lord. I obey you. Isn't that man's message. Was very interesting. The first Sunday. We started the fast. God sent him to come. And teach us. How sacrifice.

At the altar. Moves things. In the realm of the spirit. I was. My friend. I was having a chat. With a certain man. Friend of mine. Man of God. Was saying something. He blessed me so much. He said.

And I said it this morning.

[ 9 : 29 ] He said. Man of God. I have discovered. How do you think. When. Anytime. Something. Evades my prayer. Or something. I am praying. I can't see results. I just give it to the altar.

I give the sacrifice. At the altar. Because. Sacrifice at the altar. Causes things to move. Say sacrifice. I was telling you about. The testimony of this lady.

Who. In Kenaland. In Nigeria. She was being evicted from her house. And. She. She needed money to pay. For her rent.

Other than that. She was going to be evicted. And actually. Someone gave her money. And instead of paying. She said she was in the church. And she felt that. No. I have. I have to give this thing to God. God was telling me.

Give. See no. That is not right. And she did that. She did that. And within a short time. She bought her own house. Now. I was telling somebody.

[ 10 : 24 ] See. Sometimes when you take a step. And you obey God. In the immediate. In the immediate future. You may feel it.

But. In the future. You will realize that. There is when the scripture says. Cast your bread upon the waters. And after many days. You will find it. My friend said. When your seed leaves your hands. It does not leave your life. But it enters your future. Where it multiplies. I will say that again. That is Mike Medoc.

He said. When your seed leaves your hands. It does not leave your life. Rather. It enters your future. Where it multiplies. And I see somebody's future.

Smiling at you. At last scripture. And then. We do this quickly. In 2nd Kings chapter 3. The pastor quoted it. And I want us to look at it again.

[ 11 : 21 ] Because it is so powerful. 2nd Kings chapter 3 verse 26. This is 2 Kings. They were fighting. And God was on the side of Israel. And Israel was beginning to defeat the people.

And slaughtering them. And killing them. And defeating them. And defeating them. And when the king of Moab saw that. The battle was too fierce for him. Now listen. Israel. Israel was defeating Moab.

Because God was behind them. Okay. God was behind them. Then king of Moab saw that. These people are defeating me. This is too fierce for me. When he saw that the battle was too fierce for him.

He took with him 700 men. And with. Sorry. Who drew souls. And. And break through the king of Edom.

But they could not. Go to the next verse. Then. So listen. When he saw that thing was going against him. He took 700 men. The strong ones. To try and break through. But they couldn't.

[ 12 : 20 ] So what did he do? He realized that the thing. Everything I've done is not working. So let me. Let me. Let me. Go through the roots of the altar. And then. And then he took his elder son. Who would have reigned in his place.

And he. Offered him. As a burnt offering. Upon the wall. And there was a great indignation against Israel. So they departed from him.

And returned to their whole land. he said when he realized that everything he was doing wasn't working he said let me go through the altar let me go through the altar let me go through the altar when you come through the altar you move things in the spirit in a strange way it's a sacrifice I'm teaching you something that God endorses that I believe, I do and I've seen it I've seen it God fighting for people God said your offering has come before me for a memorial you give you give in we have fasted, we have prayed some of us have done some giving but this evening is an opportunity for somebody to bring up to build an altar of sacrifice which enters your future and speaks on the behalf of your marriage and speaks on the behalf of your children and speaks on the behalf of your business sometimes somebody will tell you that bring this huge amount of money so that we can connect you to somebody who will help you

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