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8/9/16 - Giving the Gospel - Part 2

"Giving" the Gospel

Is there a greater gift we could ever "give" to others than the Gospel of Jesus Christ?

Someone "gave" to you!

As an extension of Christ, we have the opportunity to give to others, just as someone else in our own lives 'gave' the Gospel to us! Remember that??!

The Good News

The good news is also that GIVING the good news bears good fruit in our lives and in our hearts, as believers obedient to His call.

Showing the Love of God

We know the doubting hearts we as human beings can have. And the Lord knew our weakness, and in grace "fed" us what we needed, to open our hearts to the love of God. And we can do the same for others.

John 10:27

"My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me;

God wants to change our perspective, the way we look at things in life, what's really important, and what real blessings are in life.

1 Cor 9:23

I do all things for the sake of the gospel, so that I may become a fellow partaker of *it.*

A "Fellow Partaker" of the Gospel

The Greek word for partaker means a "co-participant".

The "race" to "win" others

Giving the Gospel, in whatever ways we can, is a vital part of running the race set before us! 1Co 9:19-27

"Our" time

Have you ever wondered why the culture in America often talks about "pastimes"? Do you realize we Americans have been duped into looking for selfish ways to "pass the time"?

WHY does our culture encourage us to pass the time on things that are not

actually important to God?

USING the time for the Gospel

WE are new creatures in Christ, and God wants to set us free with His perspective.

Whose Perspective do you have?

If God created us, and designed us for a certain purpose, for His glory, does He want our LIFESTYLE to be one of using time for ourselves?

Whose Perspective do you have?

Could it be Satan's deception, as the god of this world, to get us to waste our spiritual lives away, so that we don't become a "partaker" in the gospel?!! God wants to rescue us from being CONSUMED by the things in this world, even "good" things that seem to be innocent.

Whose Perspective do you have?

When something takes over your lifestyle that has nothing to do with God or His gospel, what do you think about that??

It's your turn!

Have you ever thought about life that way? Think of the big picture. Right now, it's your turn on this earth!

It's your turn!

Will you let your turn pass you by, without being useful to the Master, especially in regards to becoming a partaker in the Gospel?

USE the time

Look up, and ask the Lord, "what can I do for You today?"

A Great Relief

When you actually live for others, you are relieved from being occupied with yourself!

Giving the gospel should simply be part of our lifestyles, as believers. It's who we are and it's what we do.