Sermon Teaching

True Gospel : True Freedom (7 of 8) "The Freedom Of Giving" Cornerstone Church of Poway Pastor Ed Turley September 22, 2019

Big Idea: Freedom comes not from rules or the lack of rules but from a personal relationship with Jesus who loves me and gave His life for me.

"My old self has been **crucified** with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but **Christ lives in me**. So I live in this earthly body by **trusting** in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me." **Galatians 2:20 (NLT2) Remember Verse**

We Have Freedom To Give When We Understand:
1. Our Giving Comes Out Of "Don't be misled—you cannot mock the justice of God. You will always harvest what you plant. Those who live only to satisfy their own sinful nature will harvest decay and death from that sinful nature. But those who live to please the Spirit will harvest everlasting life from the Spirit." Galatians 6:7-8 (NLT2)
"But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven , where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in or steal; for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Matthew 6:20-21 (NASB)
Jesus said, "No one can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and Money." Matthew 6:24 (NIV)
Notes:
2. Our Giving Provides For The "Those who are taught the word of God should provide for their teachers, sharing all good things with them." Galatians 6:6 (NLT2)
"It was He who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ ." Ephesians 4:11-13 (NIV)
Notes:

3. Our Giving Is An Act Of Faith That "So let's not get tired of doing what is good. At just the right time we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don't give up. Therefore, whenever we have the opportunity, we should do good to everyone—especially to those in the family of faith." Galatians 6:9-10 (NLT2)
"Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver . And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work." 2 Corinthians 9:6-8 (NIV)
"Now He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God." 2 Corinthians 9:10-11 (NIV)
"This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God . Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, men will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else." 2 Corinthians 9:12-13 (NIV)
Notes:
➤ How does my giving reflect my relationship with God?
My next right steps to freedom, I will: [] Be consistent in my giving [] Volunteer for Workday on October 12 [] landscape [] paint [] carpentry [] Share my story of faith [email to: church@cornerstonepoway.com] [] Accept Jesus as my Lord and Savior



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Family Corner: [Choose one day this week to ask questions to go deeper in

faith as a family. Try this over dinner. Keep it to 12 minutes or less.]

Small Groups: [Choose as many questions that honors your group's time commitment]

Open in Prayer:

Icebreaker: What is one lesson about money you can learn from your parents?

What thoughts from this week's message encouraged you to live a life for Jesus?

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We Have Freedom To Give When We Understand:

1. Our Giving Comes Out Of Our Relationship With God

Read Galatians 6:7-8

Looking back over the last year, what kind of harvest are you looking at? Weeds? Bumper crop? Spindly plants? Why?

In what ways can you live to please the Holy Spirit better?

Read Matthew 6:20-21

If Jesus was to analyze your life, what would he say your treasure is?

Read Matthew 6:24

Who has been your master lately?

What is one thing you can do in the coming week to seek God's kingdom first?

2. Our Giving Provides For The Mission Of The Church Read Galatians 6:6

How do you feel about the staff at Cornerstone?

Read Ephesians 4:11-13 How has the teaching at Cornerstone helped you or your walk with God?
Where do you like to give back in service?
3. Our Giving Is An Act Of Faith That God Is Our Provider
Read Galatians 6:9-10 Where do you see an opportunity to do good this week?
What have you reaped by being generous to others?
Read 2 Corinthians 9:6-8 What do you make of the four "alls" in verse 8?
How does giving reflect God's grace?
Read 2 Corinthians 9:10-13 For what purpose will God materially bless these people?
How is giving contagious?
Why is being able to receive also important?
Close in Prayer: Start praying. Be bold and pray specifically.