

Chapter 1 : Offering Christ to the World, Discipline: Religion, Type: Article - Brenna Cecilia, ID -

The Supreme Offering of Christ To the World! We want to look at 7 offerings of Himself to the world that God so loves. John For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Would Jesus wear a Rolex on his television show? TV religious hucksters have given a bad name to Christian giving. Because of such abuse, pastors may be afraid to deal with this important subject. But we need to be clear on what Scripture teaches about giving. All believers, but not unbelievers, should give to the Lord. Giving is a privilege and responsibility for those who have received from God the gift of eternal life. But it is wrong for churches or other Christian ministries to appeal to unbelievers for funds. It is wrong to give an unbeliever any basis for thinking that he can gain merit before God by giving or any other good deed. Unbelievers frequently gripe that the church is always after their money. They are right in one sense: God is after their money, because their hearts are bound up with their treasure, and God wants their hearts to be devoted to Him. The fact that they resent giving shows the condition of their hearts. Giving should be a thank offering to God, and a person outside of Christ cannot properly give such an offering Heb. Giving is for believers, and it should be done by all believers. Poor Christians as well as rich should give to the Lord 2 Cor. Those who are supported in Christian ministry are not exempt either. In fact, they should set the example Acts Why should I give? I should give because God has first given to me and I want to please Him. In giving, motivation is crucial. Wrong motives for giving: If you give to be honored by men for your great generosity, you are giving for the wrong reason. Giving is to be done in secret before God Matt. Naming buildings or putting up plaques in honor of donors violates this principle. We should not give because we feel guilty about having so much. Jesus is not promising that if you give, God will give you more in return. He is stating the principle that if you are a generous person, others will be generous toward you. But you may give and be impoverished because you gave. Responding to high-pressure tactics of Christian fund-raisers is another wrong motive. This is related both to greed and pressure. All sorts of gimmicks are used to get people to give: Right motives for giving: I mentioned this last week, but it bears repeating because it is the prime motive in grace giving. God has given us everything James 1: He gave His Son to provide for our salvation. He has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in Christ Eph. Because He has given so abundantly to us, we should respond by giving generously back to Him. God is glorified when we give from the right motives and in the right way 2 Cor. Your heart follows your treasure. If I want my heart concerned with the things of God, then I must invest in His work. Generous giving loosens your grasp on money. God could have chosen to work apart from us, but He did not. He could have used angels or loudspeakers from heaven to spread the gospel, but He chose to use us. Investments on earth are insecure and transitory. Investments in heaven are secure and eternal. There is no more sound investment than that of reaching people with the good news of Christ. God credits money which we give to further His kingdom as fruit to our account, and He will reward us for it someday Matt. God will provide money for you to give if you will trust Him for it. But if you bottle it up and keep it for your own comforts, the flow will dry up. Ask God to give you money to give. Then make sure you give it! Giving is a sacrifice that pleases God Phil. King David knew the connection between giving and worship. I like to give enough that it pinches our lifestyle. Thus because God has given so abundantly to me, and because I want to please Him, I am motivated to give cheerfully and generously to His work. How should I give? I should give in accordance with biblical principles. There are several basic principles of giving: I should give in a pre-planned, systematic way. Pray about it and start with something above ten percent. Then trust God by increasing the percentage each year, especially if you get a raise. Give it as the firstfruits, off the top, and trust God to meet your other needs. I should give in secret to the Lord, not in public before men. As I already mentioned, giving because of pride, power, or human recognition are wrong. Jesus says that we are to give in secret, but with the awareness that God is watching Matt. Every time you give, do it before the Lord. I should give sacrificially at times. In their case, tithing is sacrificial giving, because the members all make only the U. But because they give sacrificially, they support their own pastor, they have sent two missionary families to

other hard-to-reach areas, and they generously help other poor. Thus all believers are to give from biblical motives in line with biblical principles. To whom should I give? I should give to destitute family members, to spiritual ministries, and to the needy. How do we sort them out and determine which ones to give to and which ones to ignore? Give to destitute family members. This is your first priority in giving, since to fail to do it makes you worse than an unbeliever 1 Tim. The church must help these, but widows with families were to be cared for by their families. It is not right to deprive your own family of the necessities of life in order to give to others. Give to spiritual ministries. Those who labor at preaching the Word are worthy of financial remuneration Gal. The church is also to support workers sent out to evangelize and plant new churches in places where the gospel has not penetrated 3 John 7; 1 Cor. You need to be wise about giving to Christian organizations. Here are some questions you can ask to get maximum effectiveness from your giving: What does the organization believe? Do you know and agree with their statement of faith, their objectives, program, and methods? Is it strategic in completing the Great Commission? Is there an audited financial statement available? Is the organization a member of the Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability? How much do they spend on program versus overhead? Does your gift go where you intended? Is your gift tax-deductible? This may affect the amount you can give. Does the organization have a standard of excellence along with freedom from waste and extravagance? What do you know about the people involved with the organization or the person you may support? Are they people of biblical conviction and integrity? Do they depend on the Lord for their ministry and support or do they use high-pressure appeals for money? Are they clear in their objectives? Are they accountable for their ministries? Give to needy persons. We should give to help meet physical needs:

Chapter 2 : Offer Christ (Offering H.O.P.E.)

*Offering Christ to the World: Andrew Fuller - and the Revival of Eighteenth Particular Baptist Life (Studies in Baptist History and Thought) [Peter J. Morden, Ian M. Randall] on calendrierdelascience.com *FREE* shipping on qualifying offers.*

Joan Huyser-Honig Westminster Presbyterian Church in Auburn, New York, has only 80 to 90 worshipers each Sunday, so everyone noticed when people began shaking their heads no as ushers passed offering plates. Fandrich explains that most members pre-pay, pay by bank draft, bring checks to the church office, or use monthly offering envelopes. Only four still give through weekly envelopes. Making it more participatory Churches around the world use high-tech and low-tech ways to involve worshipers in the offering. Many members of Discovery Church in Bowmanville, Ontario, are under 40 and have smart phones. If the minister takes out his or her own smart phone during the offering and shows the congregation that it only takes a few seconds to make a donation, then people will respond quickly. First Sunday offerings go to the church food pantry. Loose offerings for the rest of the month go to a hospice, nursing home, emergency need, or congregational need chosen by the mission and stewardship committee. Travis Poling writes on Facebook that the congregation chooses charities by vote. Anne Zaki teaches in a seminary in Cairo, Egypt, but has worshiped all over the world. Unpaid pastors feed their families with offerings. Some churches auction off food tithes to raise money for a church need. Offering as an act of worship Greg Scheer notes in Reformed Worship that the Old Testament gives many instructions about offerings. New Testament worship references link the offering and communion liturgies and mention the offering more than preaching. It emphasizes the profound mystery that it is. It puts a face to our cash and builds community. After the scripture, sermon, and prayers of the people, pastor Rick Blunt introduces ministry announcements by saying something like: I invite you to fill out a Connection Card and place it in the offering, because your attendance is an offering to God. Check out recent research on world giving , U. Gather a group to read, discuss, and share findings from these books:

Chapter 3 : Offering of Letters: For Such a Time As This

Offering Christ to the World by Peter J. Morden Andrew Fuller () was one of the foremost English Baptist ministers of his generation, whose influence was to spread to North America and, indeed, around the world.

This message was based upon a reading from Acts 8: I think its important to note that our primary task is to make disciples of Jesus Christ. It is not to transform the world. So often we get that mixed up. We turn the sentence around. It sounds like such a daunting taskâ€”make disciples. Ultimately, it is not we make the disciple. No doubt we can drudge up countless problematic examples of what it means to offer Christ to another. Jesus said, I am the way, the truth, and the life John These are things I think we all yearn for. So, while people may not be looking for Jesus per se, they are looking for what he has to offer. Jesus is the way through which our relationship with God is restored. This restored relationship leads to the reconciliation of all our other relationships. Jesus is the Way to peace with God and all others. Jesus is the Truth. Jesus is the life. As our relationships are healed, death and destruction are no more, and we begin to experience the life that truly is life now and into eternity. If we really want to fulfill our mission. All you need do, is invite and journey with people along the way, so that they can discover the truth and find life in Jesus name. We offer Christ by walking the Way and inviting others to do the same. United Methodist Publishing House,

Chapter 4 : World Mission Offering | International Ministries

Prepare a book review from: Peter J. Morden, Offering Christ to the World: Andrew Fuller and the Revival of Eighteenth Century Particular Baptist Life, Carlisle, Cumbria, UK: Paternoster, The book review will be 5 to 6 pages in length and will include an analysis of the book's contents and a critique of the book.

Can you imagine what it would be like without giving being such a major part of it? If you are a bit jaded about Christmas like we all can become sometimes I encourage you to really step back and try to become joyful about your giving. We have the opportunity to let the gifts we purchase be an obligatory purchase or we can choose to give a gift. There is a huge difference between buying stuff that you feel or are obligated to, and intentionally and cheerfully giving something to another person. And when you consider the possibilities of making homemade Christmas gifts that will be remembered it can really help put new meaning to giving gifts. So if you need a little boost to your giving attitude this year, do a little meditating on the scriptures below. And for extra credit you can check out some of these inspiring giving quotes. These are 21 of the more popular giving Bible verses – feel free to add others to the comments! Deuteronomy The generous man will be prosperous, and he who waters will himself be watered. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which amount to a cent. They will pour into your lap a good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over. For by your standard of measure it will be measured to you in return. Each one must do just as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that always having all sufficiency in everything, you may have an abundance for every good deed. Not that I seek the gift itself, but I seek for the profit which increases to your account. Any other giving verses that you can think of? If you have been inspired by these Bible verses, dig in further and explore what the Bible says about money! To get you started, check out my article: The pages on this site help us pay the bills by using affiliate relationships with Amazon, Google, Ebay and others but our opinions are NEVER for sale. Find out more here.

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Each year, for the focus of the campaign, we choose specific legislation or a legislative emphasis that can make a real difference to people struggling with hunger and poverty. People write letters, usually as a group, and present them as an offering to God before mailing them to Congress. Hundreds of Offerings of Letters are held each year, resulting in tens of thousands of letters to Congress. They have, and continue to have, a significant impact on the decisions made in Congress. Every day, millions of people in the United States and around the world feed and support their families in part because of lifesaving programs funded by our government. We are making progress toward the end of hunger, but we live in challenging times. Our gains are increasingly vulnerable due to the actions and inactions of governing officials. Our great democracy gives all Americans access to powerful decision makers. Just as Esther in the Old Testament was called to be an advocate with the king of Persia for her threatened people, we are called to speak up with leaders in Congress to protect vital programs for people who struggle with hunger and poverty. We must call on our leaders to ensure that all people, regardless of where they live, have the opportunity to reach their God-given potential. The actions that Congress takes have far-reaching impact on the lives of millions of people in the United States and around the world living in hunger. The federal budget is the investment of our tax dollars. You serve God when you put your faith into practice. In the book of Esther, for example, we find the story of an unlikely advocate – Queen Esther, who is persuaded to risk her own position of privilege to save her people from destruction Esther 4. The choices made by our elected leaders on the federal budget determine how our nation generates revenue and invests shared resources. We show our commitment to the common good when we advocate for investments in programs that move people out of hunger and poverty, and into better opportunities in life. God has blessed our nation with sufficient resources to make provision for all in our present time and in years to come. Investments in domestic safety-net programs, such as WIC, SNAP, free and reduced-price school meals, and tax credits for low-income workers help people in the United States move out of poverty and feed their families. International programs like the global food security initiative, Feed the Future, and the McGovern-Dole school feeding program help millions of hungry people around the world. Like Esther, we must meet the challenges before us and speak truth to power. Mordecai reminded Esther that she could not remain neutral. Action was needed, and she could use her position of influence to change the fate of her people. We cannot be silent in this challenging time. Together, we must urge Congress to develop a federal budget that serves the common good and offers help and opportunity for all people – especially those struggling to put food on the table. View the complete reflection [Take Action Right now](#), the biggest threat to people struggling with hunger and poverty continues to be the threat of large budget cuts. Your advocacy is critical in ensuring that spending bills provide the strongest support possible for anti-hunger and anti-poverty efforts in the United States and around the world. We are raising our collective voice to ask Congress to invest in and protect key programs that help improve the lives of men, women, and children facing hunger and poverty in the United States and around the world. Your messages to Congress will push legislators to make funding decisions that can jump start and accelerate progress against hunger. Writing a personal message is simple and should take only a few minutes. Ready to take action? Urge your members of Congress to invest in and protect key programs that will end hunger and reduce poverty in the United States and around the world. Louis Catholic Church, Miami Have a question? Connect with a Bread for the World organizer:

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Chapter 7 : Church Offerings as Acts of Worship

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