



HAVE IT ALL

"Is what you're living for worth Jesus dying for?"
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21 days of prayer and fasting
5th January - 25th January 2025

DAILY DEVOTIONAL

KEY DATES:

HAVE IT ALL: 21 Days of Prayer and Fasting

Sunday 5th January - Saturday 25th January

Worship and Prayer Meetings

Wednesday 8th 15th, 22nd @7:30pm.

(Please note, there will be no Thursday night prayer on these weeks)

First Monday

Monday 6th

Prayer Gathering @ 6:30pm

Contagious Evangelism Worship and Prayer Encounters

Tuesday 21st @ 7:30pm

Contagious Evangelism Outreach

Saturday 25th from 1-4pm





Jesus Have It All
Song by Jeremy Riddle

Jesus, have my heart, my will, my soul
Jesus, have my hopes, my dreams, my world
With joy, I lay it down
With joy, I cast my crowns
Jesus, have it all

To You, I bring my praise, my lips, my song
A living sacrifice as one reborn
Your life is now my own
Your will is what I want
Jesus, have it all

Jesus, have it all x2
To You belongs the glory
The praise of all the world
Jesus, have it all x2
All blessing and all honor
All majesty and awe
Jesus, have it all

Jesus, have Your church, Your love, Your bride
The joy for which You freely gave Your life
Radiant in white
Washed and purified
Jesus, have us all

Jesus, have Your worth, Your due, Your sum
The praise of every nation, tribe, and tongue
Let all that has been made
Glorify Your name
Jesus, have it all

Jesus, have it all x2
To You belongs the glory
The praise of all the world
Jesus, have it all x2
All blessing and all honor
All majesty and awe
Jesus, have it all



FOREWORD

In the New Testament, Jesus is described as 'Saviour' 24 times; however, He is called 'Lord' more than 600 times. That is because 'saving' is what He does, but 'Lord' is who He is.

The book of Mark records an encounter between Jesus and a rich young ruler. Mark tells us, "As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to Him and fell on his knees before Him. 'Good Teacher,' he asked, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' 'Why do you call Me good?' Jesus answered. 'No one is good—except God alone. You know the commandments: You shall not murder, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, you shall not defraud, honour your father and mother.' 'Teacher,' he declared, 'all these I have kept since I was a boy.' Jesus looked at him and loved him. 'One thing you lack,' He said. 'Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow Me.' At this the man's face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth" (Mark 10:17-22).



Why did Jesus pick on the man's money? Was it wrong to have money or possessions? No, the problem was that the young ruler wanted to worship Jesus and his wealth. The problem was, "No one can serve two masters... You cannot serve both God and Money" (Matt 6:24).

We can shake our head at that young man, but what about us? Are there areas in our life where we desperately want a Saviour, but really don't want a Lord? Can we say with purity of heart, *"Have it all Jesus"*?

So, as we begin 2025, we are going to search our hearts. Through fasting and prayer, we are going to hunt for any other masters in our lives that would keep Jesus from "Having it All".

Through fasting and prayer, the Holy Spirit can transform a life. So we are inviting you to be part of this global move that takes place every year to *"put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desire."* (Rom 13:14). Come and join us as we take stock of what it truly means to say, *"Jesus, Have It All"*

Chronicles 16:9 NASB *"For the eyes of the LORD roam throughout the earth, so that He may strongly support those whose heart is completely His..."*



CORPORATE FASTING:

Why do we fast as a church together?

Jesus fasted forty days and forty nights as preparation for both His temptation and ministry (Matt 4:2)—but that is the only account we have of Jesus fasting. When John’s disciples asked why His disciples did not fast, Jesus said, *“Can the friends of the bridegroom mourn, as long as the bridegroom is with them? But the days will come when the bridegroom will be taken away from them, and then they will fast”* (Matt 9:15)—in other words, their fasting will come.

Fasting involves abstinence from food (and other things) for a period of time. Interestingly, the only fasting Jewish law actually required had to do with observing the Day of Atonement (Lev. 16:29-31; 23:27). But, we do find instances in the Old Testament where people fasted to:

- express grief (1 Samuel 31:13; 2 Samuel 1:12; 12:20-23)
- express repentance (1 Samuel 7:6; 1 Kings 21:27).
- prepare for prayer or anointing for service (2 Sam 12:16-17; Ps 35:13)
- seek divine revelation (Exodus 34:28; Deut 9:9; Daniel 9:3; 10:3)
- seek divine favour (Judges 20:26; 2 Chronicles 20:3)

In the New Testament, we read... *“Now, therefore,” says the LORD, “Turn to Me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning.”* So rend your heart, and not your garments; return to the LORD your God (Joel 2:12-13). We also have the words of Jesus (Matt 9:15) telling us that His followers would fast in the days to come. So we can safely conclude that fasting is still an effective spiritual discipline. In fact, we find the early church practiced fasting in preparation for important opportunities & decisions (Acts 13:2-3; 14:23). And we can see they were doing this fasting together.

We believe that not only is fasting important, but that it is also important that our church family fast together. It creates strength and binds us together. It launches people into new directions and ministries. And whenever we have fasted together, we have also experienced breakthrough together.

So Gateway family, let's get fasting!

RECOMMENDED READING FOR FASTING:

God's Chosen Fast by Arthur Wallis

Fasting by Jentezen Franklin

A Hunger for God: Desiring God through Fasting and Prayer by John Piper

Fasting: Rediscovering the Ancient Pathway by Michael Dow

The Beginners Guide to Fasting by Elmer Towns

How to Fast Successfully by Derek Prince



DAY
01

SAVIOUR AND LORD

Then Jesus said to his disciples, “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. 25 For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it. 26 What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul?”

Matthew 16:24-26

I’m sure you’ve heard the expression “accept Jesus as your Lord and Saviour”, at least once. But let’s be honest, as pretty as that sounds; there are deep realities beneath the surface of this statement. And being honest, we must also admit that we like the ‘Jesus as Saviour’ more than the ‘Jesus as Lord’ part. But the problem is, they come as a package.

Why? Because making Jesus, Saviour, without making Him Lord means limiting Him. It means that we are still in control of some areas – the ones we don’t want him to touch. Which means that in those areas – we are the Lord. If you really think about it, wanting a Saviour, but not a Lord; is a bit like inviting Him to follow us!

When Jesus said, “Take up your cross and follow me”, He wasn’t suggesting that you and I simply say a prayer and then receive a ‘get-out-of-hell-free-card’. He was asking us to allow Him to monopolize EVERY part of our life. It means we are willing to go where He asks, willing to do what He commands. It means living wholly devoted – saying, ‘Have It All, Lord’.

This is why we are doing this fast. This is why we are searching our hearts and our lives.

DAY 02

SAVIOUR AND LORD II

But whatever was to my profit I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. What is more, I consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord...

Philippians 3:7-8.

The call of Jesus to 'Follow me' is the main emphasis of the New Testament – it is a call to live a life that declares, 'Jesus is Lord'. But what does it really mean to say 'Jesus is Lord'? How is it more than saying, 'Jesus is Saviour'?

- 'Jesus is Saviour' emphasizes the forgiveness of my sins. But 'Jesus is Lord' emphasizes the reorientation of my life. I'm no longer the 'king' of my life, Jesus is. And that changes everything.
- 'Jesus is Saviour' impacts me. It is also quite personal and private. But when I declare that 'Jesus is Lord', that impacts everyone and everything around me as well. I no longer live to myself. I no longer live to please others. I live for the glory of God. I seek to reflect Jesus to others.
- 'Jesus is Saviour' affects the spiritual aspects of my life. But 'Jesus is Lord' is all-encompassing. It isn't limited to what I do on a Sunday, or when I wake up in the morning. Instead, it sits right in the very centre of my life. It is the 'wheel within the wheel', that shapes and instructs every part of my life.

So you see, there is quite a big difference between calling Jesus Saviour and making Him Lord. And the title we choose to prioritize deeply affects the way we experience the entire gospel. One demands nothing of us. But the second demands our everything. It is the focus of a lifetime.

DAY 03

"LORD, I HUMBLE MYSELF"

Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.

James 4:10.

"My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the Lord. "As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts."

Isaiah 55:8-9.

I remember hearing Bill Johnson once talk about the fact that the Word of God isn't given to us as mere information but rather it is always given as an invitation to an encounter. For example, when the Bible tells us that we 'enter His gates with thanksgiving and into His courts with praise,' that isn't just a simple truth for us to acknowledge. It is actually instructions on 'How To' enter into His presence.

Similarly in the verse above, when we are told that God thinks and acts differently than us, this is not just information. It is an invitation to surrender our thoughts and ways to His. Understanding it is good, but humbling ourselves by choosing His thoughts and His ways, is key to our faith. It's also just plain smart because the Bible teaches us that His way is the higher way, His thoughts the better ones.

This is all great in theory. And I would guess that you are agreeing with everything I've said so far. But here's the thing. The problem comes when the theory needs to become reality. When we want to manage a situation our way, when we want to think our thoughts, but

God and His Word are telling us to think and act a different way. When we need to humble ourself.

Let's be real and look at relationships for a moment. His way is forgiveness, but mine is to harbour that wrong in my heart and conversations for a very long time. I would like revenge, but He wants me to pray for them. I want to retaliate, but He would have me turn the other cheek. So who gets to be Lord in my relationships? Will I humble myself? And what about other areas, like generosity, kindness, and keeping ourselves 'unspotted by this world'? Will I humble myself in these areas also?

This is where the 'rubber meets the road'. This is where there is a conflict of lordship and a decision to make; His thoughts or mine? Who gets to win that battle? That's what this fast is about.

APPLICATION:

Take a moment with the Lord to consider, are there areas in my life that I need to humble myself. To do it your way and not my own?

Isaiah 48:17. *This is what the Lord says — your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel: "I am the Lord your God, who teaches you what is best for you, who directs you in the way you should go."*

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DAY 04

"LORD, LEAD ME"

"Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails.

Proverbs 19:21.

Seasons of prayer and fasting are really great times to sit back and look at what we are trying to achieve in our lives, so is the New Year. And as these two are intersecting right now; this a great time to check where we are going in life, and who has the reins - who is setting the course.

I love that the Holy Spirit leads us like a shepherd, rather than drives us like a cowboy. I find it so very assuring that He is gentle and kind to us, and has made following His leadership a choice. But, sometimes, I do find myself wishing that He would be more obvious. That He would simply grab the wheel, and say, 'Go right here, then turn left!' But that is not His way. And truth be told, I probably would get stropy with that kind of leading!

So how do we follow Him? Well, first we must let Him know that we are willing to follow His leadership. And this involves more than mere words, it must be the cry of your heart. Then we must pause; to listen. Because too many of us bring Him OUR PLAN, and ask for HIS BLESSING, rather than bring Him OUR DAY, asking for HIS LEADING. Of course you have a great idea, but is it His? Of course that could work, but will it? Take some time with Him. Go on a prayer walk, write in a journal, pray in tongues, and listen to your heart. Listen for His leading. And when you sense direction, don't rush in. Keep praying. Keep listening, because knowing that you should go north, is not the same as knowing the road you must take. But when we pause, He provides further understanding, further clarity, further guidance.

**DAY
05**

"YES LORD"

In his heart a man plans his course, but the Lord determines his steps.

Prov 16:9.

If I'm being honest, I have a tendency to be somewhat of an extremist. When I'm in, I'm all in!!! That has some real life application benefits. A couple of years ago I felt led to prayer walking. That same day, I promptly put my shoes on and headed out the door. Four hours, and one very tired dog later, I walked back through the door and the next thing you know I'm dragging anyone who would listen, into their trainers and out their front doors. In fact, just a few weeks later, I did a prayer walk in San Francisco and walked 107kms in 3 1/2 days!!!

We are in the early days of 21 days of prayer and fasting. This is the stage where we are inviting Him to take the lead, to be in control, to do something with and in our lives. Who knows what He might lead us to! I have been led to move countries, to start churches, to give significant gifts, and to take on daunting projects, and I have also been led to smaller, seemingly insignificant things. But friends, those small things were the life changing ones; those small things taught me His voice, His ways, His wonders.

If you tend to extremity like I do, you started out this fast saying, 'Lord, I give you everything'.....'Lord, I surrender my whole life'.....'Lord I'll pray for two hours everyday for the rest of my life'.....'Lord, I'll never eat anything unhealthy or contaminate this temple ever again'. And those are awesome concepts. Awesome commitments. But let's back up for just a minute, and look for what He is actually leading us into, today. Because I have discovered that those things, are the things that hold great power in our life.

What I'm saying is that rather than grasping for something that you could surrender to Him every day of your life from now till heaven, simply surrender today to Him. Following Jesus is about saying 'yes' to him today. Jesus taught us that we shouldn't worry or care about tomorrow, that today has enough challenges of its own. That's what today is about; saying 'yes' to Him. In the big things, but also in the small.

APPLICATION:

Right now, make a conscious determination that today gets to belong to Him and that you will say 'yes' to Him as many times as you can. It's too late to give God yesterday. And tomorrow isn't here yet so you can't give Him that either. But today can be your gift to Him. That's why it's called the present.

FURTHER REFLECTION:

Don't try to surrender your whole life.....just surrender today. Find a way to say 'Yes, Lord', today. Then do it again tomorrow. Then the next day and the one after that, until a day becomes a week, and a week becomes a month.

ADDITIONAL VERSES:

- Jer 26:14
- Ps 25:1-5.
- Hebrews 4:7

NOTES:

What does 'Have it All' really mean?
Let's look at what it meant to some...

DAY
06

PAUL

By Ian Shepherd

The heart of man plans his way, but the Lord establishes his steps

Proverbs 16:9

For the Apostle Paul, "Have It All" meant giving God His future.

READ ACTS 9:1-22

When someone says, "follow me", we could very quickly conclude with the question "Where are we going?"

But I want us to focus on that part for a moment and ask ourselves four questions.

1. Who or what am I following?
2. Who or what is influencing my decision?
3. Where is this taking me and my thought life?
4. Is that future good for me and does it bring hope?

The concept of our future needs us to consider how we get there, what influences us and what plans are involved. The Bible doesn't actually tell us to not make plans for our future; plans are good, and there is wisdom in planning for the future. Yet, the Bible reveals that it's unwise to leave the Lord out of our planning for He is the one who holds the future.

Jesus is our Saviour and our Lord which should carry some weight. He is the author and finisher of our faith and Jeremiah 29:11 says - For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. God is very interested in our future and our choices, and so He has given us the Holy Spirit to help.

Paul had much revelation to share with us and one of his prayers for the church was that we would have a spirit of wisdom and revelation

in the knowledge of God, so our understanding would be full of light and clarity and we would know the hope of His calling.

APPLICATION:

Today, ask God for a revelation of His wisdom and seek out godly counsel. Pray for clarity and follow the leading of the Holy Spirit. If things don't seem to be going well or according to plan, don't get frustrated. Adjust your focus upwards. Be flexible and listen. Perhaps God has a better way or a better plan.

PRAYER:

Father I thank you that you have already made a way and I look to follow you. Father help me let go of things that distract me away from the future you have for me. I ask that you quicken my spirit to be sensitive to your leading and the still small voice (continue your prayer from the heart)

ADDITIONAL VERSE:

Isaiah 43:19

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DAY
07

THE WIDOW OF ZAREPHATH

By Paulette James

Trust in the Lord and do good; dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture. Fix your heart on the promises of God and you will dwell in the land, feasting on His faithfulness.

Ps 37:3 (The Passion Translation)

For the widow of Zarephath, "Have It All" meant giving God her trust. [READ 1 KINGS 17:8-16](#)

This widow had a choice to make. Elijah's request came at what seemed like the wrong time. It is a severe famine and she is down to her last meal and preparing to die. The widow protested at Elijah's request "I don't have enough to meet your needs as well as mine". I cannot succeed in reaching...

But Elijah reassures the widow "do not fear, if you do what I say" – God has promised to make sure that you will have an unlimited supply of food.

Trusting God is not passive, it's active and involves us demonstrating by our actions that we have confidence in what God promises in His word. Our actions show that we are safe and secure enough in His word to boldly give what He asks of us despite our circumstances or our status. Widows are vulnerable, marginalised and open to exploitation. But this widow put her fears aside and was obedient.

v 15 and she went away and did according to the word of Elijah...

Often what God asks of us makes no sense in the natural but Proverbs 3:5 tells us to "trust in the Lord with all your heart and don't lean on your own understanding". "If we try to work it out, we will

DAY
08

STEPHEN

By Misphe Dickenson

But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect...

I Peter 3:15.

For Stephen, "Have It All" meant giving God his voice. READ ACTS 6-7

As a mum to a 5-year-old, I spend a lot of my day talking, whether it be to my daughter or at her playgroup/social groups; there are a lot of words to be said.

Truth is, we all have something to say but is what we are saying echoing what He is saying? Does He have our voice or do we? In Acts 6-7 we read the account of Stephen; we read that he was a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, that he was full of power and that he did great signs and wonders among the people, but mostly we read about what he said. When confronted by people, authorities & even death, Stephen could only do one thing; speak of the things of God.

Peter implores us, like Stephen, to always be able to give an answer for our hope – a hope that is like no other, a hope that surpasses all understanding and even mental reasoning, a hope that is solid, a hope that is sure and a hope that is everlasting.

Did you know that there is a connection between our heart and our mouth? Jesus tells us; *'For out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.'*(Lk 6:45) Well, we definitely know what was in

Stephen's heart!

As we read 1 Pet 3:15 we find the link between our heart and our voice being used for Him... it is having Christ as Lord.

In the account of Stephen, Acts 6:10 says *"And they were not able to resist the wisdom and the Spirit by which he spoke."* Do you realise that the only reason this was the case was because Stephen had given God his all. He had made Christ the Lord of his heart, enabling his mouthpiece, his voice, to be used for God.

It is the same for us too. As we say "Lord, you can have it all", as we allow Him to be the Lord of our heart, we release our voice to Him and allow Him to speak through us.

APPLICATION:

Let's spend some time today considering Stephen's example. Let's ensure today that He truly is Lord of our heart so that out of the abundance of a heart under His Lordship, our mouth speaks.

ADDITIONAL VERSES:

Acts 6 & 7
1 Pet 3:15

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DAY
09

DAVID

By Michael Sims

*Give unto the LORD the glory due to His name;
Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.*

Psalm 29:2

For David, "Have It All" meant giving God extravagant worship.

READ 2 SAMUEL 6

As a parent and grandparent, I know that embarrassed look I receive, when I do something 'dad-like' which makes the children roll their eyes or cringe, encouraging me to stop what I'm doing immediately or in some other way highlighting their disconnection with me and my 'antics'.

David, a man after God's heart, had got the Ark back from Obed-Edom, who had been greatly blessed by its presence in his house. As a result, David danced with joy as he led it back home to Israel. It's times like this that worship (devoting one's thoughts, words, and deeds in glory to God through adoration, praise, thanksgiving, confession of sin, and dependence) comes easy, I still remember singing and spinning around as an act of worship to my Jesus, after I received healing.

True worship involves sacrifice (Rom 12:1), and this is often felt most in challenging times when worship doesn't come easy, when worshipping in any form would involve a sacrifice from us. Experience has taught me that worship pressed into through the anguishes of trials, often prove to be the most glorious times of worship

FURTHER REFLECTION:

Extravagant means to exceed the limits of reason or necessity. It lacks moderation, balance, and restraint. It is extremely or excessively elaborate.

DAY
10

JESUS

By Jacob Costello

Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus, who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond servant, and being made in the likeness of men. Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

Philippians 2:5-8.

May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.

Gal 6:14.

For Jesus, "Have it All" meant giving the Father His reputation.

There hasn't been and never will be a moment in eternity when Jesus is not God, including His time here on earth. But Jesus made a decision to set aside His glory and power and come to earth in the likeness of a man. While he was here, He operated as a man, He performed signs and wonders while operating as a man, and at the end of His life here on earth, He hung on a cross, and with angels waiting for His call, He laid aside His rights and took His final breath so that you and I can be saved.

Jesus set aside his reputation. So what does it look like for us to say to God, "Have my reputation"? Well, verse 5 in Philippians 2 tells us to "*have this attitude which was also in Christ Jesus*". What is the

attitude? An attitude of humility. Jesus chose humility over glory. He chose to operate as a man rather than to operate in the power that created everything we see around us. Even so, everywhere He went, the multitudes followed. Humility didn't stop Jesus from being someone worth listening to, worth following.

What if we would choose to lay aside our reputation and choose an attitude of humility? What if we remembered that everything we have is because Jesus chose humility on the cross all of those years ago? Like Him, we would open a door to allow the Father to do so much more in us and through us than we would ever accomplish on our own.

FURTHER REFLECTION:

Today, ask yourself the question – Am I willing to give God my reputation today and pick up humility instead?

ADDITIONAL VERSES:

2 Chronicles 7:13-15

Matthew 23:2-12

1 Peter 5:6

Jeremiah 9:23-24

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DAY 11

ABEL AND CAIN

For Abel, “Have It All” meant bringing God his first fruits. But his brother Cain, brought his leftovers. [READ GENESIS 4:1-6](#)

We all know the story. Cain and Abel were the sons of Adam and Eve. Cain became a farmer and Abel a shepherd. The Bible tells us, “Cain (the farmer) brought some of the fruits of the soil as an offering to the Lord. And Abel (the shepherd) also brought an offering—fat portions from some of the firstborn of his flock. The Lord looked with favour on Abel and his offering, but on Cain and his offering he did not look with favour.”

While both brothers presented an offering to God, Abel’s offering found God’s favour and Cain’s did not. Why? For most of my life, I have thought that God rejected Cain’s offering because it needed to be a blood sacrifice. That He preferred meat over vegetables, but it isn’t as simple as that. It was actually about the hearts behind the gifts.

You see, Abel brought his firstborn. And Cain should have brought the first yield from his crops - his ‘first fruits’. I’m certainly no farmer, but I do know how exciting it is to pick that first strawberry or carrot or cucumber! So I can see why it would show worship and honour for God by giving Him the first fruit. In Cain and Abel’s story, what pleased God was that Abel brought portions from the firstborn of his flock. But Cain, with ‘some of the fruit’ displeased God. Think about it - was he giving God the leftovers after he fed himself and his family? With everything that has gone on with inflations the last couple of years, this isn’t so impossible to imagine, is it? Yet it displeased God.

Don’t get me wrong, God does not expect anyone to bring what they do not have. But, by faith, Abel put God first. Before he

partook of the fruit of his labor, he honoured God with his first and his best—the firstborn of his flock and of the fat portions. And God was pleased and received Abel's offering. But Cain's story went differently. It was not his first fruits, neither was it his best.

God honoured Abel because he brought the first fruits of the flock. Our attitude in giving is a huge part of our gift. People might see your gift, but God sees both your heart AND your gift. God knows when you are putting Him first and honouring Him in your giving or not. God does honour first fruits, but He rejects leftovers.

FURTHER REFLECTION:

It's going to be uncomfortable, but you are the only one with you right now. So take an honest look at your giving. Does God 'have it all', or have you been bringing him your leftovers?

ADDITIONAL VERSES:

Malachi 3:10

2 Corinthians 9:7

2 Corinthians 8:2-3

1 Timothy 6:17-19

Proverbs 3:9

2 CORINTHIANS 8:9

Hebrews 13:16

Matthew 6:21

DAY
11

DORCAS

By Wendy Sims

"Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?'" The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.'

Matt 25:37-40.

For Dorcas, 'Have It All' meant giving God her time and skills.

READ ACTS 9:36-42

What would it look like if we truly said to God, "Have it all"? How easily we can spend our time and talents on things with little or no kingdom value. Yet, Dorcas' life challenges us to rethink this by showing the true power of a life fully given to God's purposes. She didn't preach from a platform or write theological books; instead, she offered her "all" in service to others. Her humble life was "full of good works and acts of charity"—using her sewing skills to clothe the poor and vulnerable.

Dorcas' example teaches us that dedicating our skills to God is a way of saying, "Have it all, Lord," through simple, compassionate acts of love. Here are three lessons her life offers us:

1. Use Your Skills as an Offering

Dorcas met real needs with her talents, making a simple skill into an offering to God. This challenges me to view my own abilities as ways to serve others and honour Him. When we use even the simplest

talents to bless others, they become powerful expressions of God's love.

What talent or skill can you offer today to meet someone's need?

2. Serve Faithfully, Without Seeking Recognition

Dorcas served quietly and compassionately, without seeking applause. Her community deeply felt her love, grieving her loss as a testament to the quiet strength of her kindness. This challenges me to serve without recognition, letting my actions reflect God's love.

Are there ways you can serve others today without seeking recognition?

3. Create a Legacy of Love

Dorcas' life left a legacy that outlived her, showing that each act of kindness plants seeds of hope and love. Her story reminds me that a legacy for Christ is built one small act at a time.

What small act of kindness can you do today that might plant seeds for a lasting impact?

Remember, every act of kindness, however small, is seen by God.

PRAYER:

Lord, help me to use my time and skills to honour You and serve others. Let each act of service be my "Have it all, Lord." Amen.

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DAY 13

ZACCHAEUS

For Zacchaeus, “have it all” meant repentance and change.

READ LUKE 19:1-10

In today’s Bible reading, we hear that Jesus entered Jericho and was going through the town. And there, up a tree, he found a man called Zacchaeus.

Zacchaeus was a chief tax-collector by profession. These men would ensure that taxes were paid, but they also managed to enrich themselves while they were doing it, at the expense of others. This behaviour had caused Zacchaeus to become very rich and acquired a great many material goods.

But then Zacchaeus met Jesus. And the Lord called him by his name. When that happened, Zacchaeus realised that He could no longer live the way he had been. He saw that riches and material pleasures didn’t bring him happiness. So he publicly acknowledged the error of his ways and promised to reform. But he didn’t stop there. He also promised to giving half his substance to the poor and restoring fourfold to anyone he had wronged. Repentance means to turn around and go the other way. And Zacchaeus did a serious amount of repenting!

I often think that Jesus visited Jericho for the sake of this sinful man. When the Lord entered the house of Zacchaeus, salvation came to his family: ‘Today salvation has come to this house’. And Zacchaeus, so impacted, confessed his sin and altered his way of life.

I love that Jesus didn’t condemn him for the transgressions he’d committed. But I also can appreciate that He gave Zacchaeus the opportunity to put things right. May we keep the example of the tax-collector Zacchaeus rooted deeply in our conscience. His example shows us the right path.

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JOSEPH OF ARIMATHEA

By Scott Dickenson

To the Lord your God belong the heavens, even the highest heavens, the earth and everything in it.

Deut 10:14.

For Joseph of Arimathea, 'Have It All' meant giving his resources.

READ LUKE 23:50-56 & MATT 27:59-60

Being not overly sentimental, I tend to not get too "attached" to material things. Don't get me wrong, you can't just take something of mine that doesn't belong to you – but a heavenly perspective of eternity can quickly bring us to one possible conclusion that Joseph from Arimathea had grasped: There are quite simply some things that you just don't need when Jesus can "Have it all".

Joseph, being from Arimathea, a city of the Jews and a Jew himself, would have held the Jewish belief concerning the resurrection - that those buried would rise again on the last day. So in asking for the body of Jesus and giving up his tomb to lay it safely in; Joseph was "giving it all" by giving up valuable real estate. Giving place for the life of Jesus to be raised up where Joseph would have originally planned to lay.

What a statement it is from Joseph to give up his tomb - but oh what a return he was enabling himself to receive! Verse 55 of Luke 24 tells us Joseph was waiting for the kingdom of God. Jesus brought in the Kingdom of heaven (though differently from how Joseph was imagining), so his need of this physical tomb, paled in insignificance as his spiritual resurrection would be in Christ, as later described by Paul in Romans 6:4-5, *'We were buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. For if we*

have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly also be united with him in a resurrection like his.'

Also, by the giving of his tomb, Joseph of Arimathea whether knowingly or not, demonstrated that Jesus belonged to God. As Deuteronomy 10:14 says, even everything in the earth belongs to God. The burial of Jesus body into the tomb was not only saying that Jesus was now in the earth, belonged to God – but also mankind belonging to God was being reconciled! In the same way that Levi figuratively tithed to Melchizedek while still in the loins of Abraham (Hebrews 7:9), we too were in Christ when He bore our sins, being made dead to sin (1 Peter 2:24). Through Him, we have received it all! been reconciled to God and made the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus! Jesus was the last Adam, but the first born among many brethren! The gospel is the power of God unto salvation.

APPLICATION:

Today as Joseph did, let us ask for the Lord to be placed in what is valuable to us - in our 'tomb', no matter the cost.

To the one who brings eternal life – have it all!

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JOSHUA

By Jennifer Cannon

As the Lord commanded his servant Moses, so Moses commanded Joshua, and Joshua did it; he left nothing undone of all that the Lord commanded Moses.

Josh 11:15.

For Joshua, “Have It All” meant giving God full obedience.

Moses had died, and Joshua, his faithful servant, was now his successor. The Lord spoke to Joshua, instructing him to be strong and courageous as he was to lead the Israelites into the promised land. God warned him to obey all the instructions given by Moses, not turning to the right or left, so he would succeed in all he did. He was told to meditate on Moses’ book of instruction day and night, ensuring nothing was overlooked and all was obeyed. Only then, God said, would Joshua find success. He repeated, “Be strong and courageous; do not be afraid or discouraged, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.”

God knew that what was required of Joshua would take everything he had. It would demand he resist fear, stay obedient, and live courageously with diligence, devotion, and steadfastness. Joshua’s calling required all of him.

Today, you may not feel your calling is as big as Joshua’s. His was huge—leading Israel across the Jordan as the waters separated, guiding them around Jericho until the walls fell, and dividing the promised land among the tribes. God made him great because he was willing to give God his all. Friend, God also has a call for you and me that requires this same obedience and dedication. We have a book of instruction to meditate on continually, and your life has purpose, as God calls you to fulfil what only you can.

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A LITTLE BOY

By Andrew Cannon

Whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Col 3:17

For a little boy, “Have It All” meant giving Jesus his lunch.

READ JOHN 6:1-15

In John 6, we see the story of Jesus feeding the five thousand. It's easy to focus on the miracle itself—how Jesus multiplied five loaves and two fish to feed a multitude. But have you ever thought about the little boy who offered his lunch?

He didn't have much to give, yet he gave what he had. It would've been easy for him to think, “This is too little to make a difference.” But instead of withholding, he offered his meal, and Jesus took that small gift and performed a miracle. This story is a powerful reminder that God doesn't need us to have everything figured out or that only the largest of offerings can be multiplied by God. He simply asks that we offer all of what we have in faith.

The lesson here is about trust and obedience. Whether it's our time, talents, or resources, God can use whatever we surrender to Him. When we give—even when we feel like it's not enough—God can multiply it in ways we never imagined. The boy's small lunch became a feast for thousands because he was willing to let go of it and trust Jesus with the outcome.

Colossians 3:17 says, *“Whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.”* This verse encourages us to give every

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MARY

By Sophie Haycock

For Mary, "Have It All" meant giving God her body.

READ LUKE 1:16-28

When Mary the mother of Jesus gave her body as a maternal sanctuary for God as part of him having her all (Luke 1:16-38) she knew all about being stretched in more ways than one and still gave her YES!

Her response invites us to examine our own trust, devotion and costly service to God. Are we willing to follow her example so that Jesus can be brought into the world through all of who we are?

Mary accepting God's plan for her life, despite knowing that the path ahead would not be easy, shows her unwavering trust. She must have known that her body, life, relationships and reputation would be significantly stretched and challenged, yet she willingly became a living sacrifice and accepted the call *'I am the servant of the Lord; may it be done to me according to your word'* (Luke 1:38)

I believe that Mary knew the reality of God's faithfulness, that he was there as a protector, a provider and the God who would give her rest. Therefore her circumstantial and physical needs as well as Jesus' developmental needs in the womb would be met. God would actively move on her behalf to ensure that there was a secure, well nourishing and well rested environment where they could both thrive.

Mary of course would also be responsible for stewarding her own body. She wouldn't have the best pregnancy experience & be able to give much out of herself for Jesus without self care!

Like Mary, we too should take good care of ourselves as stewards who carry the spirit of Jesus around in our bodies, as living temples

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HANNAH

By Julie Shepherd

For Hannah, "Have It All" meant giving her child.

READ 1 SAMUEL 1:21-28

We hold their hands for a short time, but their hearts forever.

Hannah desperately wanted a child and was unable to conceive, her prayers are what struck me in this portion of the word. She made a vow to give something of great value to God, a child. Out of great anguish of spirit she promised to give her child to the Lord all the days of his life. Her heart's desire was what God heard in her prayers.

She prayed so desperately for her child, she so wanted to know what being a mother would be like, she was willing to give him back to God for him to serve in ministry. We read in 1 Samuel 2 1-11, Hannah's response of worship and praise for her answered prayer.

When we come before God do we 'trust' our family, children, and relationships to Him? Are we so invested in wanting the very best for our family that we would be willing to pray earnestly for them every day? Do you have a child/children/family that so need to hear God and see Him work in their lives?

Hannah is a great example of trusting in God; she gave her precious child back to God and what a huge impact Samuel has had.

When we pray and expect an answer, do we then worship and praise God for our answered prayers as a response of giving back to God? Or move on to the next request? What I believe we see here with Hannah is the fruit of a true relationship with God.

FURTHER REFLECTION:

Can we trust God with our children? Our family? Can we lead our children to serve and worship God?

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19

THE WIDOW WITH TWO MITES

By Babs Hylton Walker

For the widow with two mites, "Have It All" meant offering God everything she had.

READ LUKE 21:1-4

When we reflect on the exchanges at the cross (Jesus' death & resurrection) he was wounded so we might be healed (Isaiah 53:4-5), made sin so we might be made righteous (2 Corinthians 5:21) died a death that we may have life (John 10:10). Jesus was made a curse so that we could receive a blessing (Galatians 3:1), he endured our poverty so we can share in his abundance (2 Corinthians 9:8), bore our shame so we could share in His glory (Isaiah 53:5), endured rejection so we may have His acceptance (John 1:11), our old man was crucified so our new man will come to life.

Fully emerged in His love, we are covered on every side (John 3:16). But how do we in return, reciprocate that LOVE before Him in our everyday lives?

1 Samuel 16:7 says But the LORD said to Samuel, *"Do not look at his appearance or at his physical stature, because I have refused him. For the LORD does not see as man sees; for man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart."*

God sees who we are through our hearts. Jesus, observing the 'offerings' as the people gave, was touched by the humility of the widow. Her heart was very transparent before him. The widow had understood the revelation of giving God out of our 'not enough'. She understood that *"Everything comes from God; everything exists by his power; and everything is intended for his glory."* –Romans 11:36

Her heart was transparent, her motive was pure, she simply trusted God to be God in every area of her life, she had no barriers to

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YOU

For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Ephesians 2:10

You and I were created for good works. We each have a purpose; something we were created to do that brings glory to Him, that brings pleasure to Him; something that brings life and freedom to others. And I don't know about you, but my heart's greatest desire is to be fulfilling that purpose of God in my life.

We have spent two weeks looking at what "have it all" practically, specifically, meant in the lives of various Bible characters. But today, let's stop looking at others, and really concentrate on ourselves. What is my story? Let's make this really personal - What the saying "Have it all, Lord" mean for me? In 2025?

You and I have given Him three weeks of our life this year. We have focused our thoughts, our hearts, our eating habits, our attention on Him. So what has He been saying? What has He been leading you into? What would He have your 'have it all' look like this year?

ACTIVATION:

Take some time today, some focused time, to walk, to journal, to prayerfully meditate - whatever is your best way of listening to heaven - and listen to heaven.

Let the Father speak to your heart about purpose. Let the Father help you plan how to fulfil it - not just in the distant future, but right here, right now; one day at a time.

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21

READY YOUR HEART

Now it was so, when Moses came down from Mount Sinai....that Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone while he talked with Him. 30 So when Aaron and all the children of Israel saw Moses, behold, the skin of his face shone, and they were afraid to come near him.

Exodus 34:29-30 (NKJV).

Well my fellow fast-ers, we've come to the last day. Isn't it amazing how time plays tricks on us! A few weeks ago, the days were dragging by and 21 of them seemed like an eternity. Now it's over and you can't believe how fast it's all gone.

We can't live in a fast though; Moses came down from the mountain and back among the people. You could say that he came back to normal life again, but there was a difference. He himself didn't recognise it but the skin of his face was shining from his time with the Lord. People asked him to put a veil over his face because he was so radiant with the presence of God.

Just like Moses' time with the Lord changed him, so your time with the Lord has changed you. You will go back to doing 'normal' life but it won't be the same person doing it. Perhaps you've heard me say many times that 'God always changes the man in the circumstance before he changes the circumstance the man is in'. You see; fasting changes you and then you change things. That's why most of the power of the fast is experienced after it ends. Same problems but a different you.

APPLICATION:

Take the last day today and begin to prepare your heart for normal

'valley' life again but walking in the things that God has shown you on the mountain. I am confident that this preparation time is not wasted time. Get ready for breakthroughs and victory. There are giants you'll be able to kill now and walls you'll be able to bring down.

Here's my prayer today: Lord let my whole life shine for your glory and let people see You when they look at me.

ADDITIONAL VERSES:

Micah 6:8.

I Peter 3:15.

Acts 20:24.

Proverbs 19:20-21

Psalm 19:14.

Col 3:17

Proverbs 8:13

Psalm 141:3

Deut 4:29

Deut 4:6-7

Prov 16:3

NOTES:





***For us there is only one
God...and we exist for Him;
1 Cor 8:6 NASB***



HAVE IT ALL