Sermon Notes

Exodus – The Revealing of God's Glory and His Design for the Chosen #83

"Giving: It's All about the Motivation of the Heart" – Exodus 25:1-8

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Т.	Introduction	n

- A. Bringing an offering to God.
 - 1. Story of a little boy.
 - 2. We all tend to be clutchers.
- B. Review of Exodus 24.
 - 1. The last two messages highlight a public form of worship.
 - a. Call to worship Exodus 24:1
 - b. Confession of Faith Exodus 24:3
 - c. Reading of God's Word Exodus 24:7
 - d. A Communal Meal Exodus 24:11
 - e. The only thing not done was to take a__ o____.
- C. Reading of the Text: Exodus 25:1-8

II. Exposition.

- A. Exodus 25:1-2
 - 1. "Contribution" or "to take an offering."
 - 2. "Heart moved."
 - a. Psalm 96:8
 - b. The concern is not over m_____ but rather a_____.
 - c. Literal Hebrew --
- B. Exodus 25:3-7
 - 1. Note groupings:

gold, silver, bronze blue, purple, scarlet animal skins, acacia wood, oil/spices

- a. Where did the poor Hebrews get these items?
- b. Answer: Exodus 3:22; 11:2; 12:35-36

C. Exodus 25:8

- 1. A place for God to dwell Psalm 11:4
- 2. Names of the structure given by God.
 - a. "Sanctuary" Ex. 25:8
 - b. "Tabernacle" Ex. 25:9
- 3. John MacKay

III. Being compelled to give.

- A. Exodus 25:2b "Every man whose heart moves him."
 - 1. Being compelled from w_____ instead of w_____.
 - 2. Philip Ryken
 - 3. Ephesians 1:7-8
- B. Consider the Macedonians II Corinthians 8:2-4.
- C. A duty to give, yes, but God is concerned with the want (desire) to bring an offering.
 - 1. Luke 21:1-4

IV. Points for Reflection

- A. Goat's hair and gold matter equally to God.
- B. When it comes to giving be aware of the percentage trap.
- C. Pastors and teachers who espouse the health and wealth doctrine are contemptible heretics of the first order.
- D. The weekly prayer over our offering is an integral part of worship.
- E. Everyone should be mindful of giving in life as well as death.