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| How are you planning to get closer to God next year? What is He calling you to surrender to Him now? How eager are you to take hold of the salvation, as provided in Jesus?  In his letters to the believers in Rome, Paul explains extensively that salvation in Jesus is freely accessible to all by faith. But then he mentions our adequate response to God’s mercy, which is to live a life of total surrender to Him: “Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship.” (Romans 12:1).  We worship the Savior during church services by singing, praying, studying His word, and returning our tithe and offerings. But true worship does not end at the church’s doorstep; it only begins there.  These words of Jesus deserve our attention: “You give God a tenth of your mint, rue and all other kinds of garden herbs, but you neglect justice and the love of God. You should have practiced the latter without leaving the former undone” (Luke 11:42). Tithe and offerings are part of a lifestyle of offering oneself to God, and others. Though essential, they are only components of the worshipper’s life and could never be presented as a replacement for a life of holiness and total commitment to God.  In the 1980s, Terry, from Hong Kong, was on track for a brilliant career as an engineer. He graduated from Hatfield Polytechnic in the United Kingdom as an electronic engineer. The Hong Kong government later selected him to specialize in an advanced technology known by very few. But he felt that something was missing in his life. He found this missing piece when he met Jesus and was baptized in December 1988. Seven months later, he dedicated his life as an offering to God by leaving his promising future behind and enrolling in seminary to study theology. He said: “Nothing under the sun is more important than knowing Jesus and inheriting eternal life.” Now, Dr. Terry Tsui is known as Evangelist Terry and is currently serving as the president of Taiwan Adventist College.  In light of the upcoming new year, let’s commit ourselves to Jesus and worship Him not only with our Tithe and Promise, but with our whole life. May we put our desires last, and God first. | Custom animations and footage of surrendering all to Jesus. Bible stories concept images.  Custom animations and footage of Jesus’s words.  Custom animations and footage from Asiatic man and technology job transitioning to pastor.  Custom animations and appeal. |
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