

WEEK 45 • NOVEMBER 11, 2023

## What Would You Sacrifice?

**Deuteronomy 16:17**—“Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord your God which He has given you.”

If you could save someone’s life by risking yours, would you do it? If this person were a stranger, would you risk your life to save them?

If you could make a difference in someone’s life by giving up something you enjoy for one day or one week, would you do it? What would you give up? A favorite meal? A new pair of shoes? A day’s income? Think about what you can give up this week so someone you don’t know can be introduced to Jesus.

We are talking about special or sacrificial offerings, those given after being prompted by the Holy Spirit, and in addition to or beyond our regular and systematic offering, called Promise. If your gift is small, maybe \$10, it might buy five Bibles or outreach books that tell someone about Jesus in their own language. If you give \$25, your offering could help sponsor a seminar about healthful living. And if you feel you should give a day’s income, your offering could sponsor a Global Mission pioneer in a city where most people have never heard about Jesus. Whatever you give, your sacrificial offering will be used to tell others about Jesus. And just think: Your sacrificial offering could make it possible to meet the person you sacrificed for in heaven.



You can determine what you will sacrifice. Or ask God what He wants you to sacrifice for Him this week beyond your regular tithe and offerings. Ask God and then listen to His answer. Be confident that God will provide your needs because you trust Him.

We sacrifice so that someone somewhere will meet Jesus, a homeless family won’t have to beg for their next meal, or maybe a wealthy family can learn that all their wealth means nothing without Jesus. Would you sacrifice for them? How much is the soul of any person worth? To Jesus, any soul is worth everything, for He died for them—and for you.

Perhaps you are not prepared to give your sacrificial offering today, or you wish you had sacrificed more. You can give your sacrificial offering at any time. Just write “Annual Sacrifice” on your electronic or regular offering envelope and turn it in before God’s generated conviction may subside.

**In Hebrews 13:16** Paul says that sacrifices are pleasing to God. So, let us ask the Lord to bless our offerings of sacrifice so that they multiply and help Global Mission pioneers reach the unreached.