

THE GIFT THAT GIVES US 'ALL THINGS'

Part 19 Romans Chapter Eight

Romans 8:32

He who did not spare His [the] own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?

This is the second question Paul asks in summing up his teaching on 'The Gospel' and how it applies to US now.

The first question, 'If God be for us who can be against us?' pointed out NOW IN CHRIST THERE CAN BE **NO RESISTANCE** TO US GOING FORWARD INTO THE PLAN OF GOD FOR US BASED UPON GOD'S ETERNAL CALLING.

This second question, 'How shall God not ... also freely give us all things?' points out NOW WITH CHRIST THERE CAN BE **NO RESTRICTION** TO US RECEIVING ALL GOD'S PROVISION FOR US

ONE = **NOTHING CAN RESIST** US NOW IN CHRIST

TWO = **NOTHING CAN RESTRICT** US NOW WITH CHRIST

1 Corinthians 3:21-23 Berean Study Bible

... All things are yours,²² whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future. All of them belong to you,²³ and you belong to Christ, and Christ belongs to God.

*So, as with last time, **PAUL AGAIN APPEALS TO OUR LOGIC** ... to help us establish THIS TRUTH IN OUR BELIEF SYSTEM ... TO ESTABLISH A MINDSET OF THE TRUTH REGARDING GOD'S ONGOING PROVISION & GENEROSITY TO US.*

TO DO THIS PAUL GIVES AN **INFALLIBLE GUARANTEE.**

SLIDE THIS INFALLIBLE GUARANTEE IS BASED ON GOD'S PROVEN GRACIOUS & GENEROUS CHARACTER THAT WAS DEMONSTRATED WHEN GOD GAVE HIS MOST PRECIOUS & PRICELESS SON FOR US.

HIS LOGIC SAYS, IF GOD'S GRACE HAS ALREADY BEEN DEMONSTRATED IN THE FACT THAT HE GAVE HIS MOST PRECIOUS & PRICELESS PERSON FOR US ... HOW COULD WE EVER DOUBT HIS ONGOING PROVISION OF ALL THE OTHER THINGS & EVERYTHING HE PROMISED. WHY WOULD GOD'S CHARACTER SUDDENLY CHANGE FROM BEING THE MOST GENEROUS & GRACIOUS PERSON THAT EVER EXISTED IN ALL TIME & ETERNITY INTO A COST-COUNTING ... PENNY-PINCHING ... MISER?

One day a miserly old man walks up to his local pharmacy...

He says to the pharmacist, 'I need a new toothbrush because one bristle broke today.'

*The pharmacist knowing the stingy nature of the old man, couldn't resist asking, 'Why get a new toothbrush and not just a new bristle!'
The old man answered: 'Yes, I normally would but unfortunately that was the last bristle.'*

THIS WHOLE QUESTION PROVES THE INTRINSIC, GRACIOUS CHARACTER OF GOD

PAUL ALSO POINTS OUT GOD'S GIFT OF CHRIST IS NOT TO MAKE US FEEL OBLIGATED

When we read that the Father spared not His only Son but delivered Him up for us (Romans 8:32), God doesn't tell us we are obligated to Him. In fact it's quite the opposite, God now says, 'Since I've given you the most priceless gift I had ... I can continue to give you 'All Things' I have.

The Greatest Gift of Jesus (given For Us) has paved the way for all the other gifts that the Father wants to give to us. He is the God of Endless Grace!

SO LET'S LOOK AT WHAT GOD HAS ALREADY DONE FOR US

Romans 8:32 **SLIDE**

(1) He who did not spare His own Son, but

(2) delivered Him up for us all,

how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?

THERE ARE TWO STATEMENTS HERE ...

- 'HE DID NOT SPARE THE SON' (John 3:16 ... God gave His only begotten Son)
- 'HE DELIVERED UP THE SON'

UNLIKE MOST COMMENTATORS WHO LUMP THESE TWO STATEMENTS TOGETHER,
I DON'T BELIEVE THAT THESE 2 STATEMENTS ARE THE SAME THING.

I BELIEVE THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT 2 DIFFERENT ASPECTS OF THE CROSS AND WHAT
JESUS ACCOMPLISHED FOR US.

LET'S LOOK AT THE FIRST ONE 'GOD SPARED NOT THE OWN SON'

THIS IS TO DO WITH OUR GUILT & CONDEMNATION & GOD'S JUDGEMENT.

did not spare (epheisato) Verb – Aorist, to spare = to abstain, forbear ... to treat leniently.

God in this instance is the Judge of All Sin ... and there is NO EXCUSE FOR SIN.

FORGIVENESS IS NOT EXCUSE ... EXCUSE IS TURNING A BLIND EYE.

We use excuse all the time. We say things like, 'She'll be right mate'. 'It's OK!' 'Don't worry about it!' 'Forget it.' 'No Worries!'

BUT FRIENDS, YOU CAN'T SWEEP SIN UNDER THE MAT ... IT WILL START TO FESTER.

*The other day, I had to throw out some clothes that were in the shed. They had gotten soaked in all this rain and unfortunately by the time I got them out **THEY STUNK OF MOULD.***

They were spoiled forever. Once mould has got into something it doesn't go away.

Now, I could have just overlooked the smell and dried them out. So I come to church wearing one of the shirts ... I wonder why nobody is sitting near me. They start wearing face masks ... next minute I get sick with a lung disease.

SO IT IS WITH SIN, WE CAN'T OVERLOOK IT. GOD NEVER DID.

LIKE JESUS WAS CLOTHED WITH MOULDY CLOTHES OF SIN & GOD JUDGED & ANNIHILATED HIM WITH IT.

HE WAS JUDGED GUILTY SO YOU COULD BE PRONOUNCED JUSTIFIED.

2 Corinthians 5:21 **SLIDE**

*He made Him who knew no sin **to be sin for us**, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.*

GOD JUST DIDN'T TURN HIS BACK ON JESUS, GOD Poured OUR HIS JUDGEMENT UPON HIM.

*Dr Martin Lloyd Jones says, 'God poured all the vials of His wrath against sin on Him [Jesus]. He smote Him ... He struck Him ... He wounded Him ... He put Him to grief ... **NOTHING WAS WITHHELD!**'*

GOD SENTENCED JESUS TO DEATH FOR US ... BECAUSE HE LOVED YOU!

HE DID NOT SPARE HIS ONLY SON FOR US.

Isaiah 53:6 Good News Translation **SLIDE**

*All of us were like sheep that were lost, each of us going his own way. But the LORD made the punishment fall on him, **the punishment all of us deserved.***

From the time Adam and Eve disobeyed until when Christ came and right through to the end of the world. THERE IS NONE RIGHTEOUS NO NOT ONE.

Wherefore the Lord (the Father) has laid upon Jesus the iniquity of us all (Isaiah 53:6) Jesus Christ became our sacrificial lamb ...

For that reason, Jesus is the only one that exists that can ever expunge all sin ... that can take your sin – past, present and future, from you

SO PAUL SAYS HERE IN OUR TEXT ...

IF GOD ALREADY PROVIDED THIS FOR YOU ... WILL HE NOT YET GIVE YOU 'ALL THINGS'

BUT THAT WAS NOT THE ONLY THING JESUS SUFFERED ON THE CROSS FOR YOU & ME

There was something equally as horrific which Jesus Christ suffered ...

OUR 2ND POINT IS ... JESUS WAS ALSO DELIVERED UP BY GOD.

Romans 8:32 **SLIDE**

*He who did not spare His own Son, but **delivered Him up for us all**, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?*

DELIVERED UP - gave (paredōken) Verb - Aorist Indicative Active - to surrender, i.e yield up

WHAT WAS JESUS DELIVERED UP ... OR DELIVERED OVER TO?

Luke 22:53 Berean Literal **SLIDE**

*Every day of Me being with you in the temple, you did not stretch out the hands against Me; but this is your hour, and **the power of the darkness.***

SLIDE Gethsemane

I suggest: **JESUS WAS DELIVERED OVER TO THE POWER OF DARKNESS FOR YOU AND ME.**

Jesus was handed over by God in the garden of Gethsemane. (Luke 22:41-46)

The power of darkness used the religious people of the day to drag Jesus to the Cross but it was done in the power of darkness.

John 14:30

I will no longer talk much with you, for the ruler of this world is coming, and he has nothing in Me.

1 Corinthians 2:7-8 Berean Literal Bible **SLIDE**

We speak in a mystery, the wisdom of God having been hidden, which God foreordained before the ages for our glory, ⁸which none of the rulers of this age has understood. For if they had understood it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

Catholic doctrine says Jesus descended into Hell. But Scripture doesn't say that ... He didn't descend into Hell ... He was delivered over to Hell.

WHY WAS JESUS HANDED OVER TO THE POWER OF DARKNESS?

'FOR US' = ON BEHALF OF US ...

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SLIDE ALL MANKIND WAS BOUND IN DARKNESS

1 John 5:19 Berean Study Bible

... The whole world is under the power of the evil one.

SATAN REQUIRED A PRICELESS RANSOM FOR MANKIND'S RELEASE

Satan called God once he had kidnapped and imprisoned all mankind and said, 'If you ever want to see your precious humans again ... you'll have to pay my price.

Satan demanded the Life of God for the life of mankind!

LOOK AT THE SATANIC DOMINATION & SLAVERY OF MANKIND

2 Timothy 2:26

*And that they may come to their senses and escape **the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him to do his will.***

has taken them captive (*ezōgrēmenoi*) to capture alive, capture for life, ensnare.

You see Jesus not only had to satisfy divine wrath against sin but -

JESUS ALSO NEEDED TO PAY OUR RANSOM

Matthew 20:28 **SLIDE**

*Just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to **give His life as a ransom for many.***

1 Timothy 2:6

Who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.

Ransom = (*antilytron*) a ransom, a redemption-price.

Man had sold out to Satan since the Garden of Edam and Satan became the ruler of this world.

SLIDE ALL THE POWER OF DARKNESS WAS UNLEASHED ON JESUS UPON THE CROSS

Psalm 22:12-13, 16 & 21

Many bulls have surrounded Me; strong bull of Bashan have encircled Me. ¹³ They gape at me with their mouths, like a raging and roaring lion. ¹⁶ For dogs have surrounded Me; the congregation of the wicked has enclosed Me. They pierced My hands and My feet. ²¹ Save me from the lion's mouth and from the horns of the wild oxen!

Colossians 2:14-15 Berean Study Bible **SLIDE**

*Having cancelled the debt ascribed to us in the decrees that stood against us, He took it away, nailing it to the cross! ¹⁵ And **having disarmed the powers and authorities**, He made a public spectacle of them, **triumphing over them by the cross.***

John 19:28-30 **SLIDE**

After this, Jesus, knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the Scripture might be fulfilled, said, "I thirst!"

³⁰ *So when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, "It is finished!" And bowing His head, He gave up His spirit.*

Acts 2:24

That God hath raised up Christ, having loosed the sorrows of hell, as it was impossible that He should be holden by it.

There on the cross His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious Day,
Up from the grave he rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine, Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

*Long my imprisoned spirit lay ...
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray,
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
My chains fell off, my heart was free,
I rose, went forth and followed Thee.*

(Charles Wesley)

LIKE OUR TEXT, WE SEE THE SAME PROCLAMATION WRITTEN BY ISAIAH

Isaiah 40:2

*Speak comfort to Jerusalem, and cry out to her, that **her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned; for she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins.***

'DOUBLE' BLESSING = EXTREME UNDESERVED FAVOUR

NOW WE CAN RECEIVE GOD'S EXTREME FAVOUR

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WHAT ARE THESE 'ALL THINGS'?

All (panta) Adjective - all, the whole, every kind of; including all the forms of declension
freely give = (charisetai) to show favour to, to show kindness

WHAT ARE THE 'ALL THINGS' HE HAS TO GIVE US?

- LAVISH BLESSINGS

I WRESTLED WITH TWO CONCEPTS:

1. **THESE GIFTS OF ALL THINGS ARE WAITING FOR US WHEN WE ARE FINALLY WITH JESUS**

2. **THESE GIFTS ARE AVAILABLE TO US NOW AS WE WALK WITH JESUS**
I FELT LIKE THE LORD SAID, BOTH ARE TRUE.

HEAVENLY BLESSINGS AVAILABLE NOW

1 Timothy 6:17 Berean Study Bible **SLIDE**

*Instruct those who are rich **in the present age** not to be conceited and not to put their hope in the uncertainty of wealth, but in God, who richly provides **'all things'** for us to enjoy.*

God, the Bestower of them, who wills, too, that His creatures should find pleasure in these His gifts--given to us to enjoy. (Ellicot)

SLIDE ACCESSING THE VAULT OF HEAVEN - HOW DO I GET THESE **'ALL THINGS'**?
THE KEY IS BEING 'WITH HIM'

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... WE GET THEM NOW **BEING WITH HIM NOW**

CHRIST HAS THE COMBINATION TO THE ETERNAL VAULT WITH EVERYTHING YOU NEED IN IT

- GOD IS NOT HOLDING IT BACK FROM YOU
- THE DEVIL CAN'T STOP IT COMING TO YOU

BUT ... IF WE ARE NOT WALKING WITH HIM ... WE WON'T KNOW THE COMBINATION ... WE ARE ALREADY RISEN **WITH CHRIST** ... SEATED **WITH CHRIST** BUT **WALKING WITH JESUS** DAILY IS OUR DAILY CHOICE ...

WE CAN CHOOSE TO WALK OUR OWN WAY & EVEN THOUGH JESUS IS STILL WITH US ...

WE ARE NOT WALKING WITH HIM IN ALL HIS BLESSING.

Ephesians 1:3

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the Heavenly Places in Christ.

The blessings are in the Heavenlies ... This is where we are ... If we live from where we are, we will begin to experience here on earth all these Heavenly Blessings NOW.

LIVE FROM YOUR HEART OF FAITH

God says, 'This is the Cost I paid for you; not only to get you saved, but to get you to be who I called you to be'.

NOT JUST TO SAVE YOU FROM HELL & GUARANTEE YOU HEAVEN, BUT ...

**TO MAKE YOU SOMEONE MAGNIFICENT ... UNIQUE ...
THIS MAGNIFICENT ... GLOWING ... SHINING PERSON OF MY GLORY
THE PERSON YOU'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO BE
SOMEBODY SIGNIFICANT
SOMEBODY IMPORTANT
SOMEBODY VALUABLE
SO MANY OF US FAILED TO BE THE COOL INDIVIDUAL WE WANTED TO BE IN OUR OWN
STRENGTH ... BUT NOW ... THIS IS FAR, FAR GREATER ...
WE NOW HAVE 'ALL THINGS' **WITH HIM.****

How important are you to God that He gave up the most precious thing to rescue you?

How valuable are you that God paid the most priceless cost to buy you back?

The value of something is determined by how much someone is prepared to pay for it.

You can no longer say, I'm not worthy for He has made you worthy with Christ's worth.

Christ's righteousness made you righteous and now you – like Him – have been made worthy.

Your status has been elevated from sinner to saint.

From orphan to Son. From unclean to clean. From unworthy to worthy.