

NOVEMBER 21

“I CANNOT PAY THE LORD BACK. I CAN ONLY SAY ‘THANK YOU.’ ”

READ

1 Corinthians 6:19-20, 2 Corinthians 9:15

You cannot describe what God has done for us in Christ Jesus. All you can do is say, “Thank You.” A gift is only a gift if there are no strings attached. If I give you a gift with conditions, it is not a gift. What God gave us in Christ Jesus was a gift. What do I owe the Lord? Nothing. If you owed the Lord, it would not be a gift. So, what will I do with this gift? “You are not your own, you were bought with a price; therefore, glorify God in your body and your spirit which are the Lord’s.” I cannot pay the Lord back. I can only thank Him by the way I live and serve Him. Even David asked the question, “What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits toward me?” What can I give to God for what He’s given to me? David said, “I’ll take the cup of salvation.” He didn’t say “I’ll give it.” He said, “To thank Him, I’ll just take His salvation and walk in it every day of my life.”

PRAY

I will spend eternity thanking You for this gift of salvation. I can’t explain it, but I receive it. I take the cup, drink from it, and share it with others. Thanks be to God!

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