Gifts to Savor and Share

Matthew 10:8; Luke 12:31-34; 2 Corinthians 5:14-20; 6:1; 9:6-8; Ephesians 3:14-19; Colossians 2:9-10; 1 Peter 4:10



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LEAD-IN: "Freely you received, freely give." (Matthew 10:8, NASB)

LEAD-IN DEVOTIONAL READING:

Gifts to Savor and Share

Have you ever noticed?

Throughout the Bible, God seems to prefer to work through

His creatures,

His children.

Read Hebrews 11 and review

all the gracious, miraculous works

God has done through His flawed but trusting servants.

Why does God prefer to work this way?

Because our loving Father delights to share with us

the privileges and the pleasures

of both receiving and giving,

of being served and serving.

God freely gives us Himself

through His Son and

through His Spirit.

And He longs to freely share His gifts and graces

through us.

He lavishes on us,

not only His all-encompassing love,

but the joy of lavishing that love on others.

His grace, in all its various forms,

is a gift meant for us to both

savor and share.

The privilege of giving in His name

is one of His best gifts.

Enjoy it every day!

As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the multifaceted grace of God.

(1 Peter 4:10, NASB)

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