



#1.5 “GIVING IT UP, EVERYTHING!”

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Sermon Outline Notes

Those of you who do not give up everything you have cannot be my disciples. Luke 14:33b

Giving It Up is LETTING GO OF OUR MEANS, METHODS AND MEANINGS OF “THE GOOD LIFE”

If you try to hold on to your life, it will slip through your fingers; if you let go of your life, you'll keep it. Luke 17:33 VOICE

I. Romans 12:1a MSG

1 So here's what I want you to do, God helping you: Take your everyday, ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life—and place it before God as an offering.

Embracing what God does for you is the best thing you can do for him.

We are Giving it Up when we WORSHIP GOD WITH EVERYTHING WE ARE AND DO

And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Colossians 3:17

II. Romans 12:1b CEV

1 Dear friends, God is good. So I beg you to offer your bodies to him as a living sacrifice, pure and pleasing. That's the most sensible way to serve God.

We are Giving it Up when we GIVE OURSELVES INTELLIGENTLY AND WILLINGLY TO GOD

For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God, rather than burnt offerings. Hosea 6:6 RSV

III. Romans 12:2b CEV

² Don't be like the people of this world, but let God change the way you think. Then you will know how to do everything that is good and pleasing to him.

We are Giving it Up when we ALLOW GOD TO CHANGE

THE WAY WE THINK TO THE WAY HE THINKS

²¹ *"Do not handle! Do not taste! Do not touch!"*? ²² *These rules, which have to do with things that are all destined to perish with use, are based on merely human commands and teachings.* ²³ *Such regulations indeed have an appearance of wisdom, with their self-imposed worship, their false humility and their harsh treatment of the body, but they lack any value in restraining sensual indulgence. Colossians 2:21-23*