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IT ALL BELONGS TO GOD

If I am a Christian, everything I am and have belongs to God. God says, **“What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost *which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price...*”** If He owns me, He owns all I have! Take tithing for instance. Many Christians think tithing means the first tenth belongs to God and 90% belongs to me to do with as I please. No, it’s all His, to be used for His glory. G. Campbell Morgan said, “The man who takes his income and says, One-tenth is God’s and nine-tenths is mine would make a bad Jew and certainly not a good Christian.” It’s easy to sing “I surrender all...” but I don’t think very many Christians truly know what surrender to Christ really means.

WHAT’S YOUR PASSION?

William Booth once had an audience wit King Henry VII of England. His Majesty highly commended the salvationist for his unflagging zeal and work among the poor. Booth said, “Some men’s passion is for gold. Some is for fame. But my passion, Your Majesty, is for souls.” What is your passion? I cannot conceive of anyone having a passion for souls who does not witness regularly. **“For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead.”** ~II Corinthians 5:14.

DANIEL WEBSTER SAID

I believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the will and word of God. I believe Jesus Christ to be the Son of God. The miracles He wrought establish in my mind His personal authority and render it proper for me to believe whatever He asserts. I believe therefore, all of His declarations, as well as when He declares Himself the Son of God, as when He declares any other proposition. And I believe there is no other way of salvation than through the merits of His atonement.

SPINE AND SPIRIT

“Daniel was preferred...because an excellent spirit was in him.” ~Daniel 6:3. Spurgeon, when speaking on this passage told the true story of a class of children who were having a lesson on Daniel. One of the boys was asked to read this portion aloud. When he came to these words, he read: “Because there was an excellent *spine* in him.” Spurgeon said, while it was undoubtedly a bad reading, it was excellent theology because Daniel certainly was a man of real backbone!