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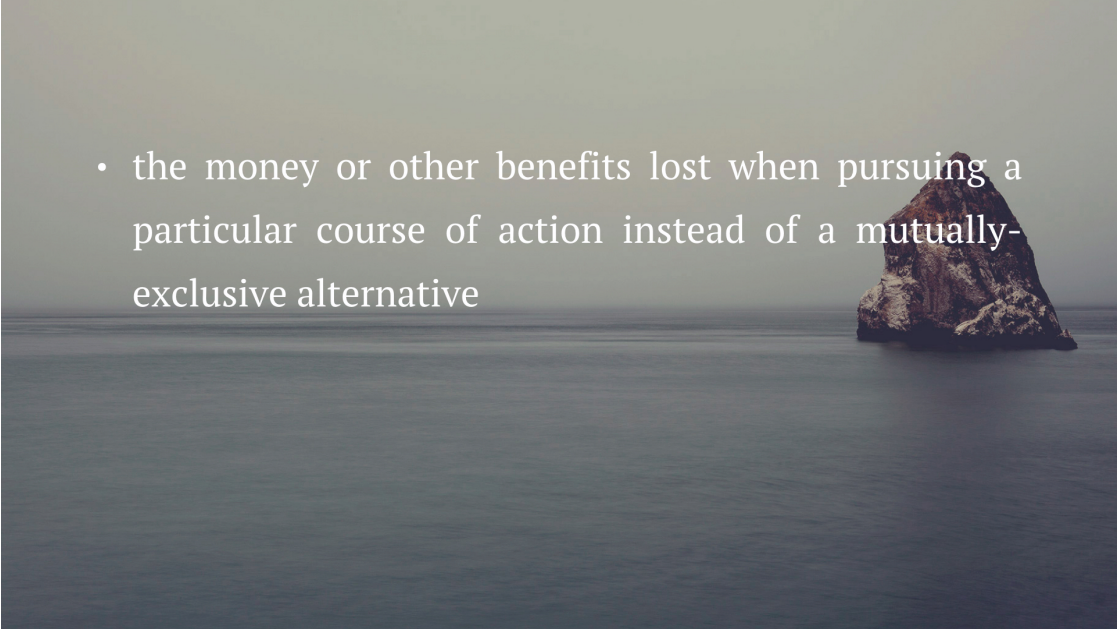
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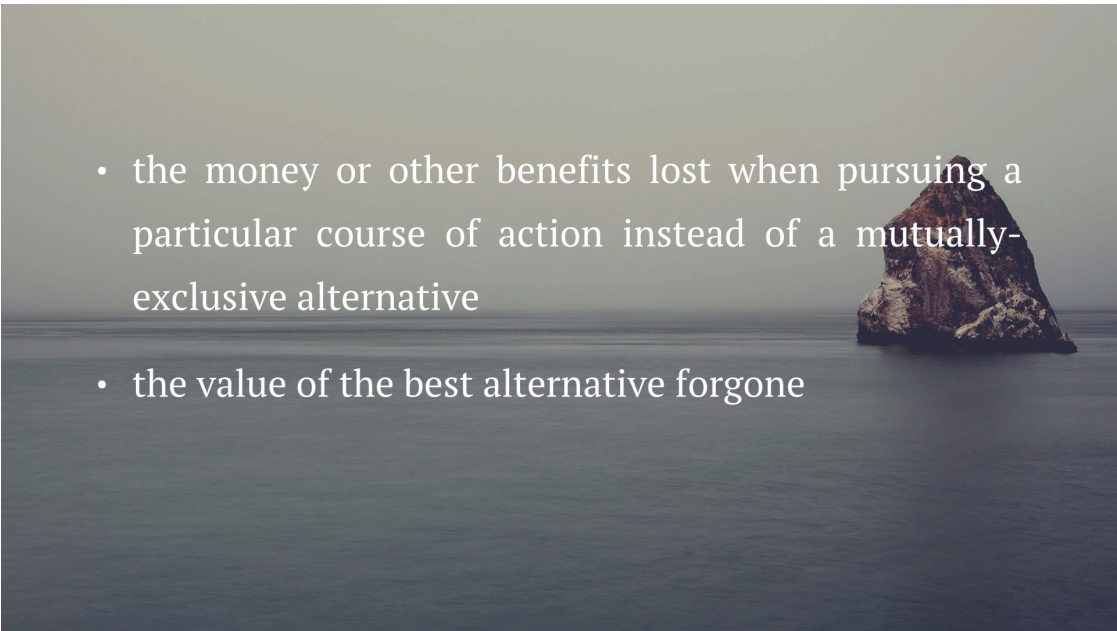
Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.


Galatians 6:10

Opportunity Cost



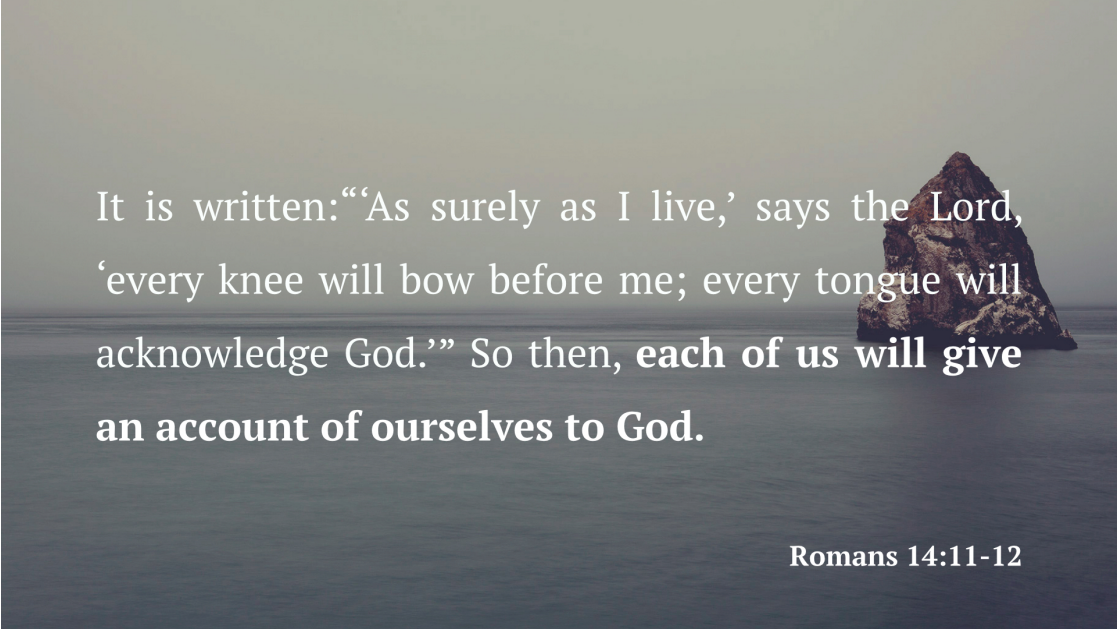
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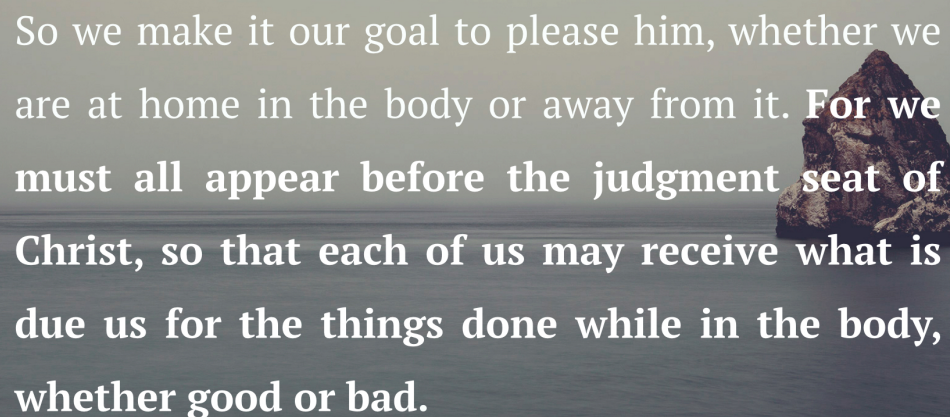


Everyone has to account



It is written: “As surely as I live,’ says the Lord, ‘every knee will bow before me; every tongue will acknowledge God.’” So then, **each of us will give an account of ourselves to God.**

Romans 14:11-12



So we make it our goal to please him, whether we are at home in the body or away from it. **For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each of us may receive what is due us for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.**

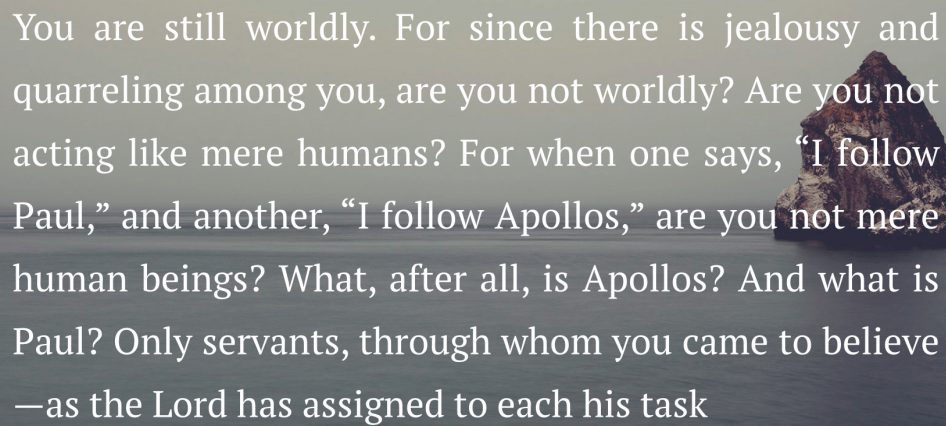
2 Corinthians 5:9-10



Rewards on the
Day of Accounts

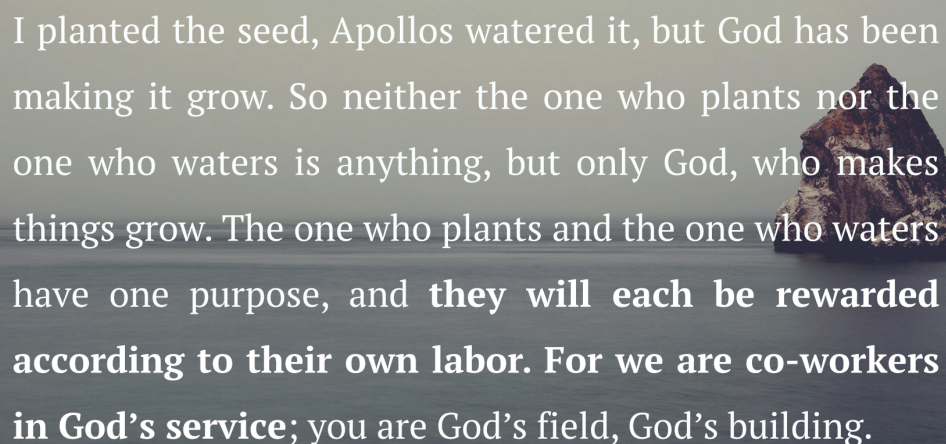


Perspective from
1 Corinthians 3



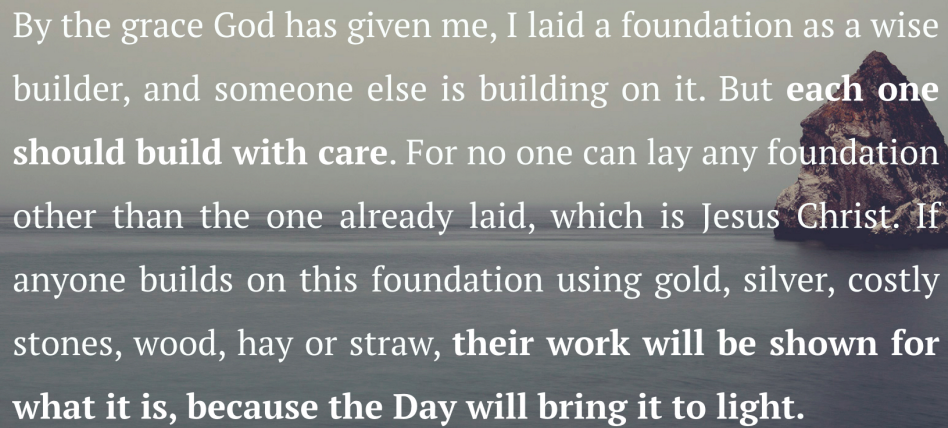
You are still worldly. For since there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not worldly? Are you not acting like mere humans? For when one says, “I follow Paul,” and another, “I follow Apollos,” are you not mere human beings? What, after all, is Apollos? And what is Paul? Only servants, through whom you came to believe—as the Lord has assigned to each his task

1 Corinthians 3:3-5



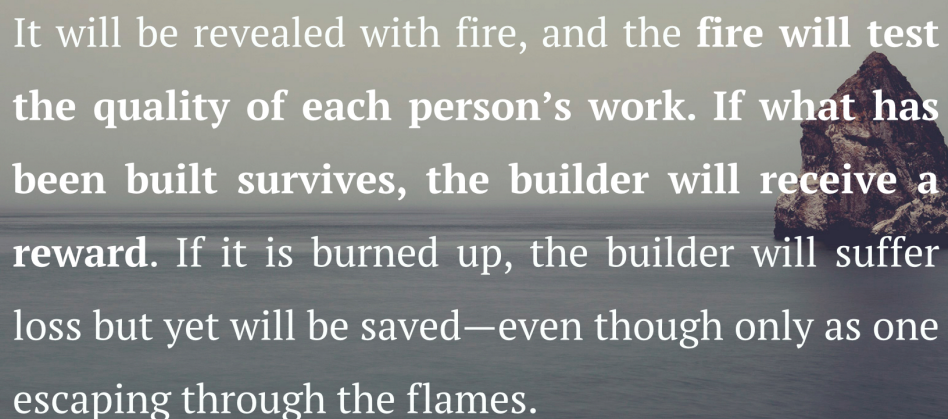
I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow. The one who plants and the one who waters have one purpose, and **they will each be rewarded according to their own labor. For we are co-workers in God’s service; you are God’s field, God’s building.**

1 Corinthians 3:6-9



By the grace God has given me, I laid a foundation as a wise builder, and someone else is building on it. But **each one should build with care**. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ. If anyone builds on this foundation using gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay or straw, **their work will be shown for what it is, because the Day will bring it to light.**

1 Corinthians 3:10-13

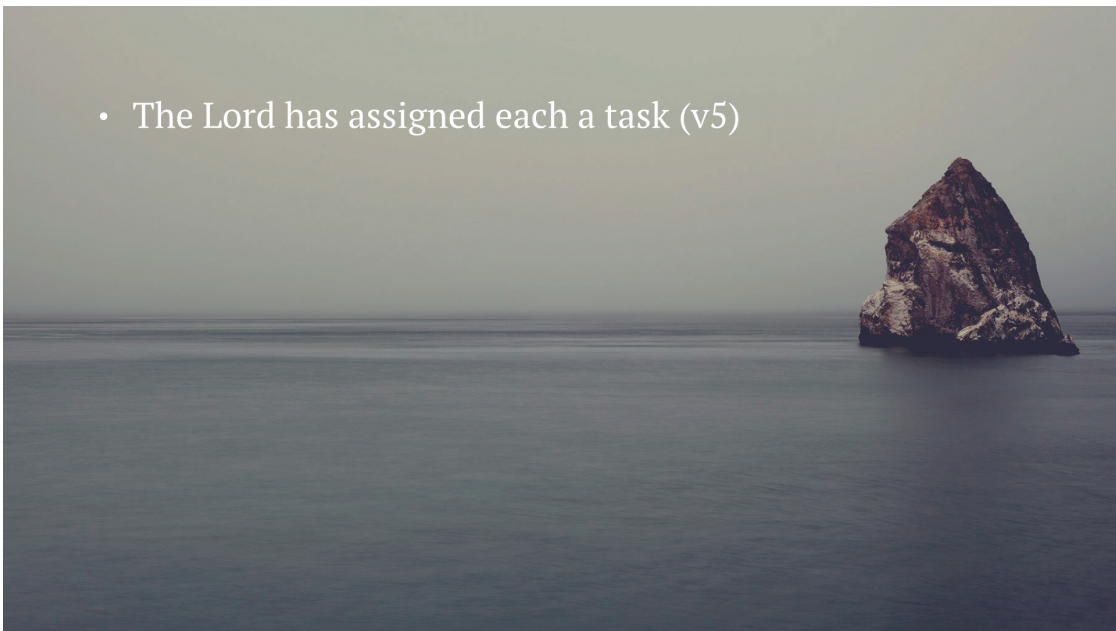


It will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test the quality of each person's work. If what has been built survives, the builder will receive a reward. If it is burned up, the builder will suffer loss but yet will be saved—even though only as one escaping through the flames.

1 Corinthians 3:13-15



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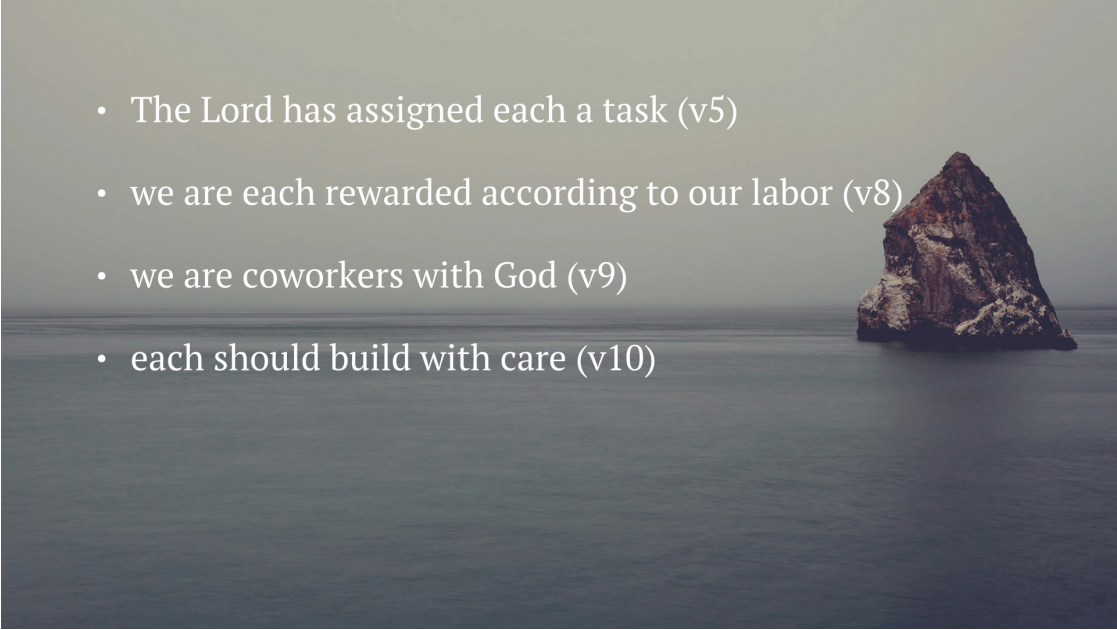


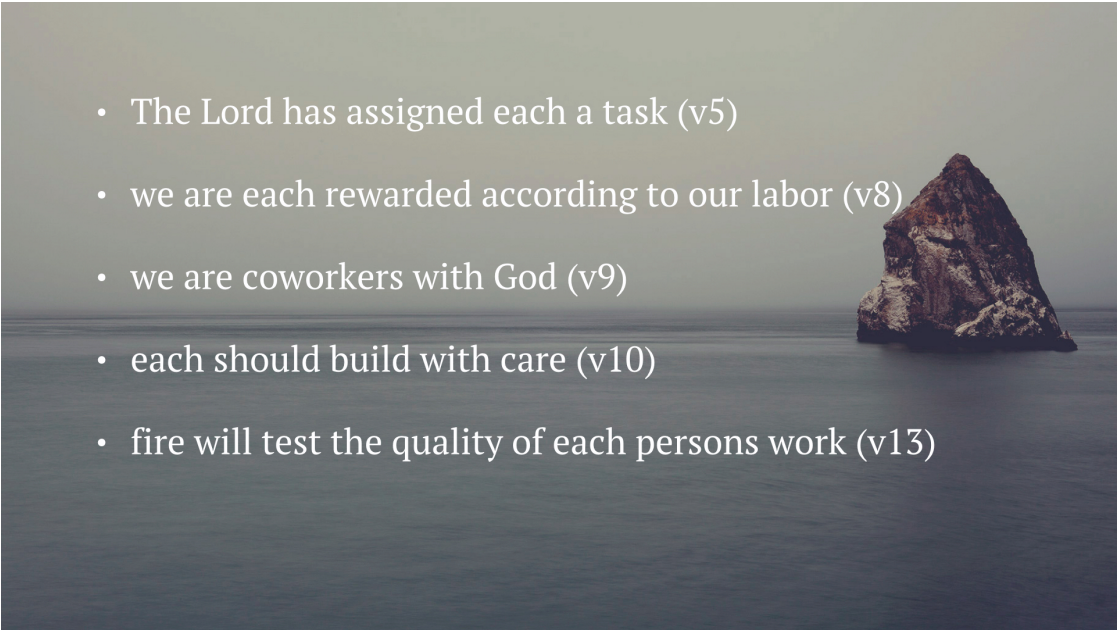
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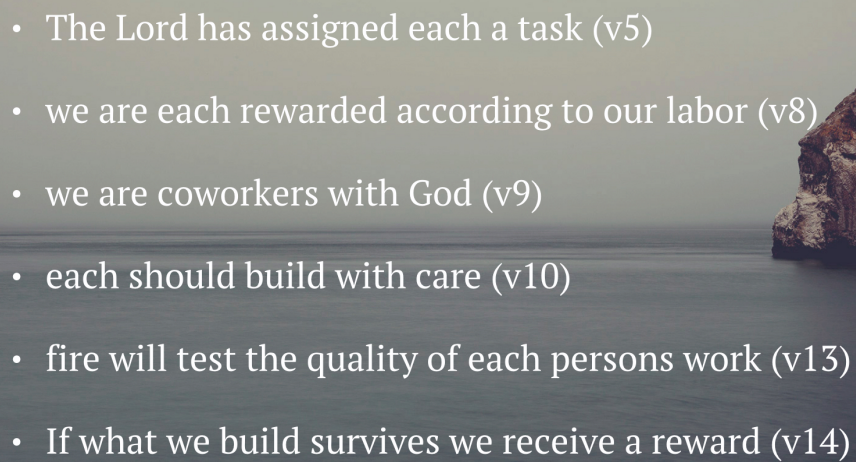


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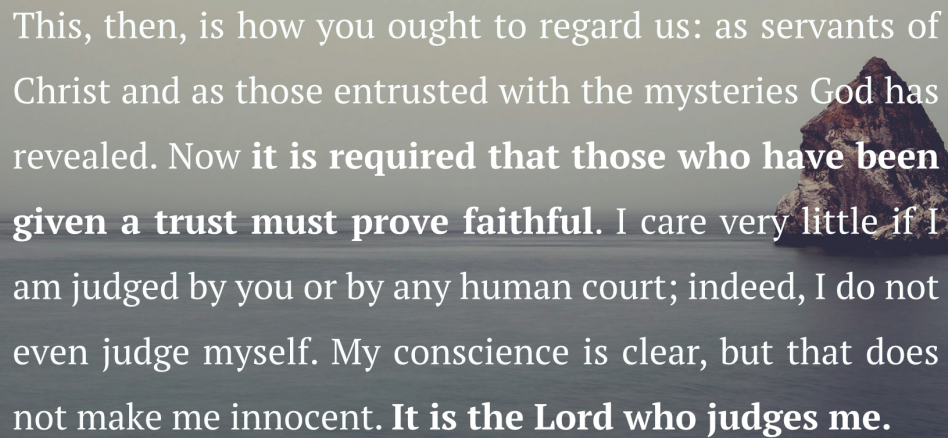
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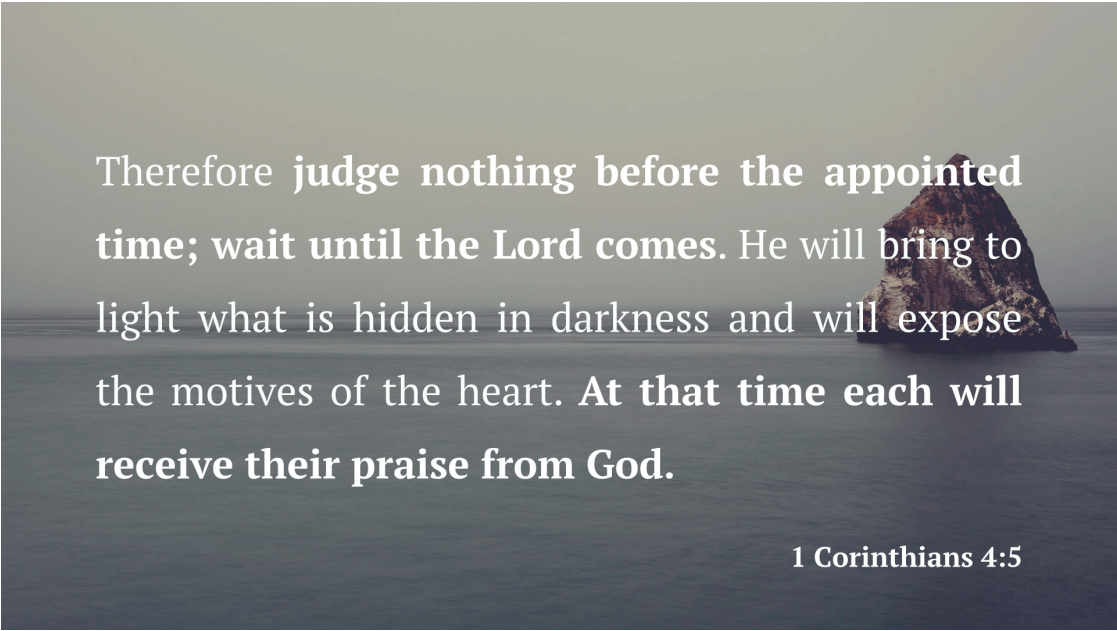


Perspective from
1 Corinthians 4



This, then, is how you ought to regard us: as servants of Christ and as those entrusted with the mysteries God has revealed. Now **it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful.** I care very little if I am judged by you or by any human court; indeed, I do not even judge myself. My conscience is clear, but that does not make me innocent. **It is the Lord who judges me.**

1 Corinthians 4:1-4

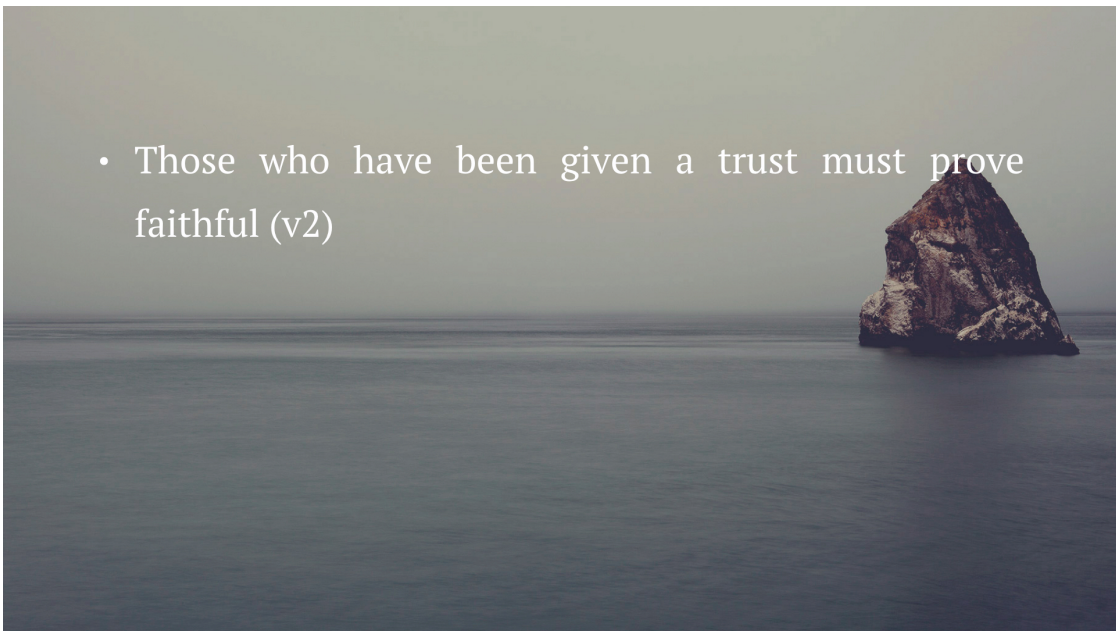


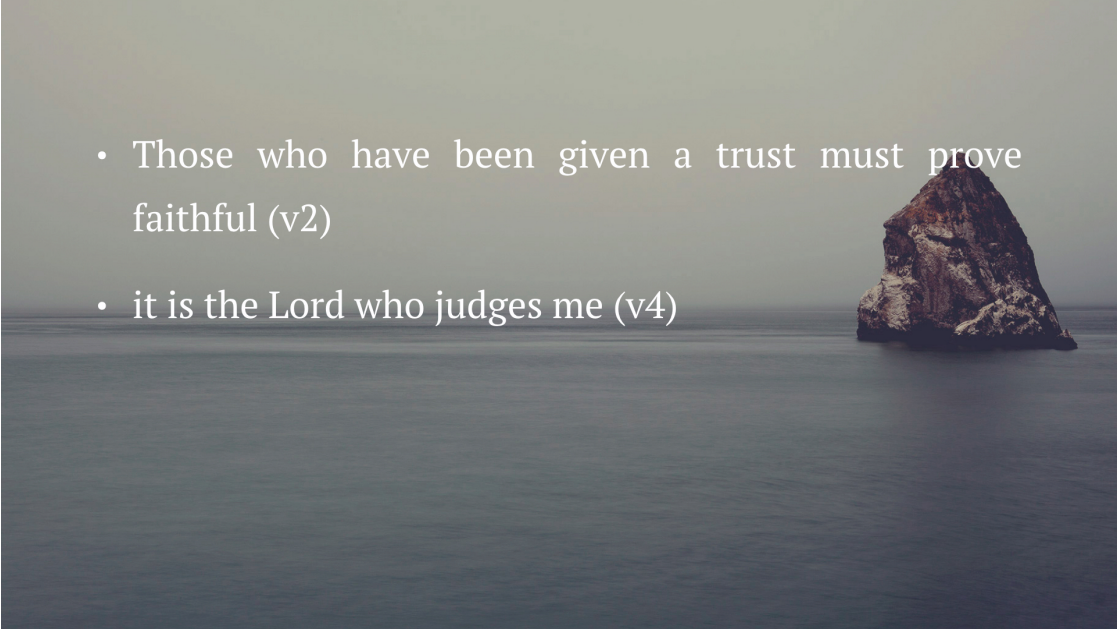
Therefore **judge nothing before the appointed time; wait until the Lord comes.** He will bring to light what is hidden in darkness and will expose the motives of the heart. **At that time each will receive their praise from God.**

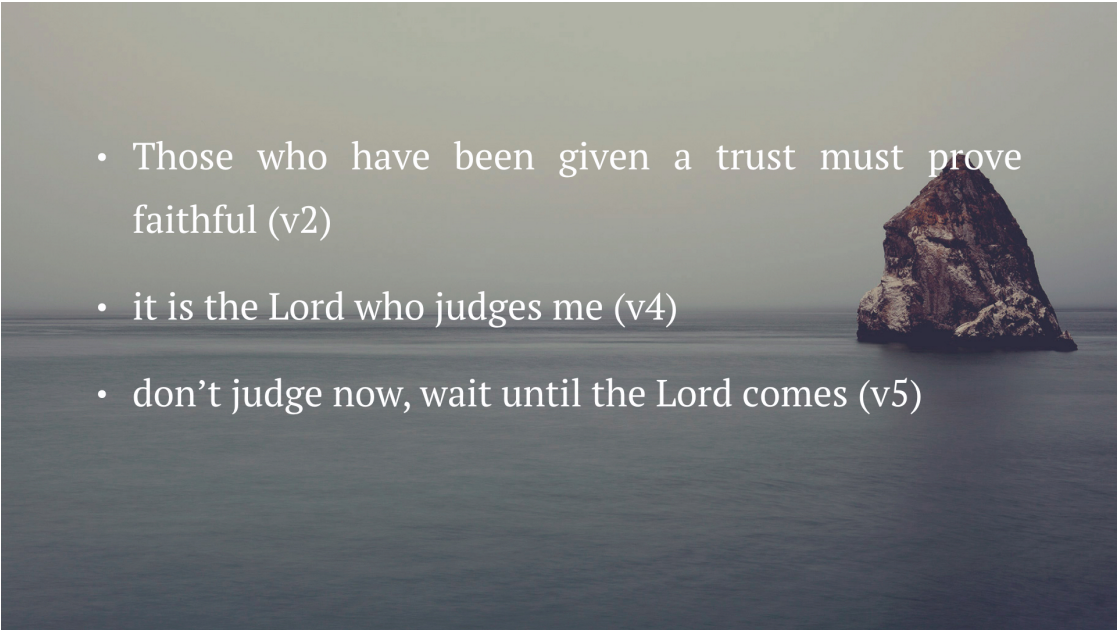
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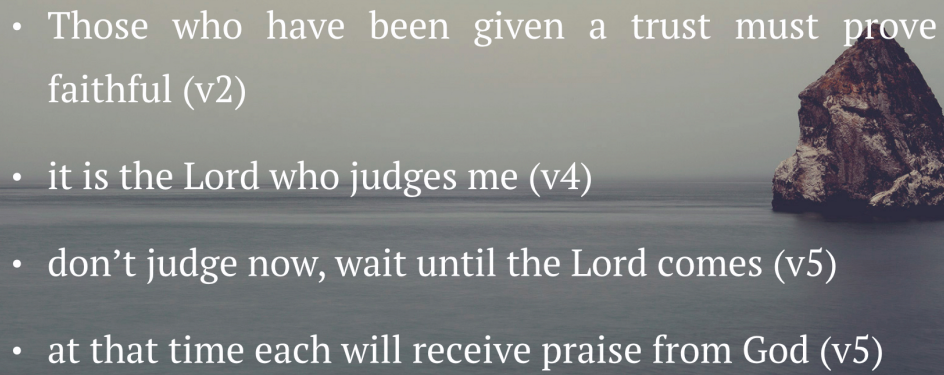


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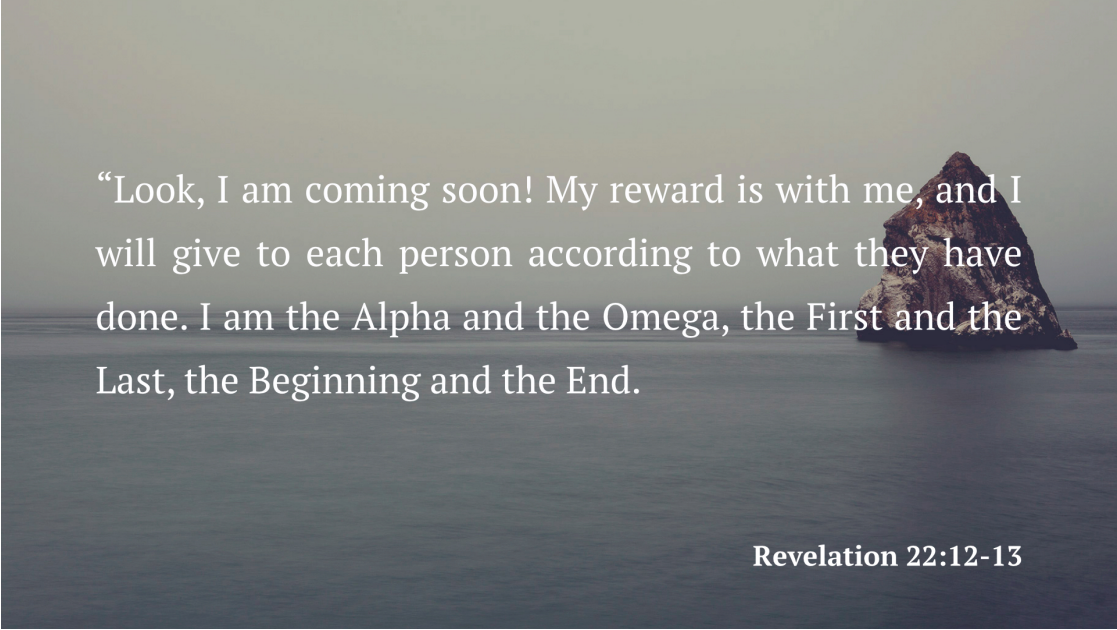
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Perspective from Revelations 22



“Look, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to each person according to what they have done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.

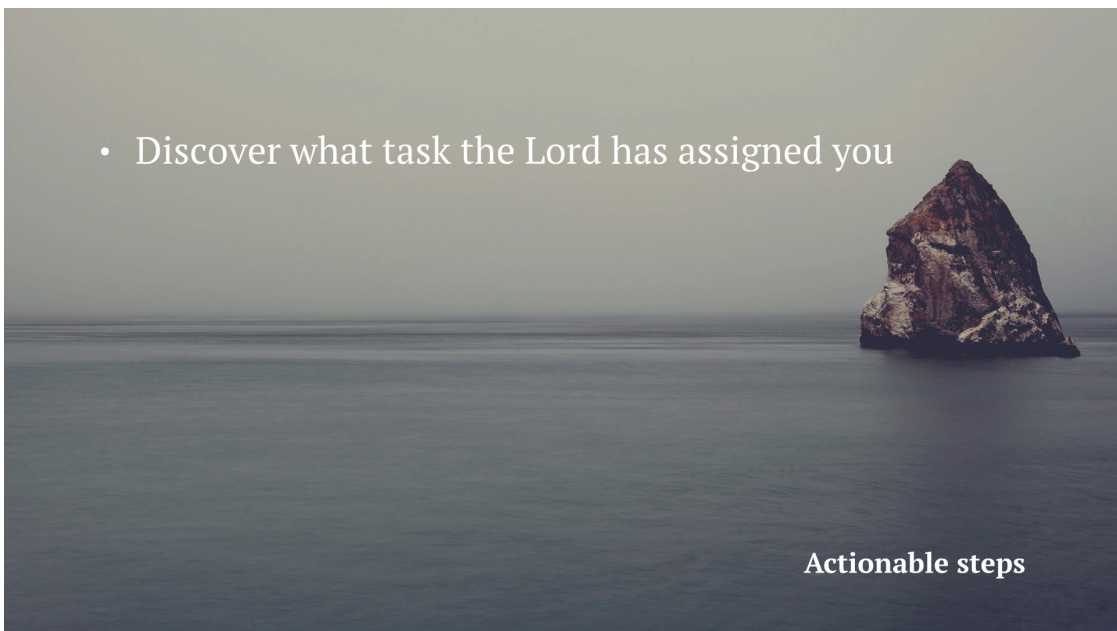
Revelation 22:12-13



Actionable steps



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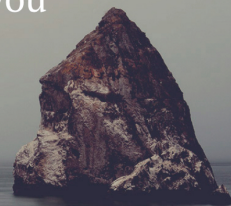
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- Discover what task the Lord has assigned you
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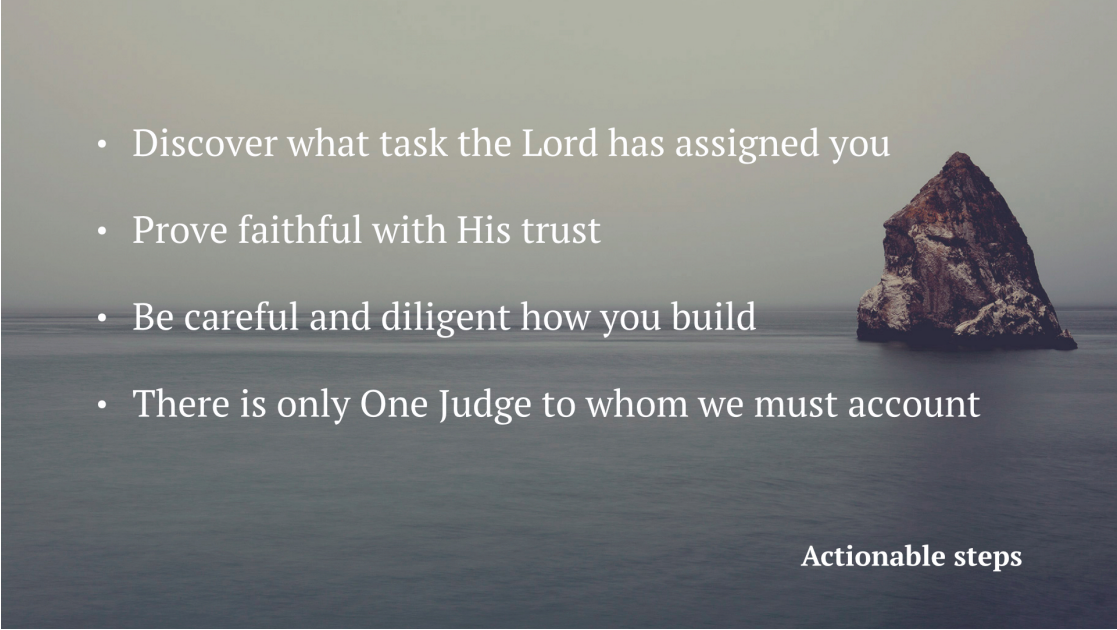


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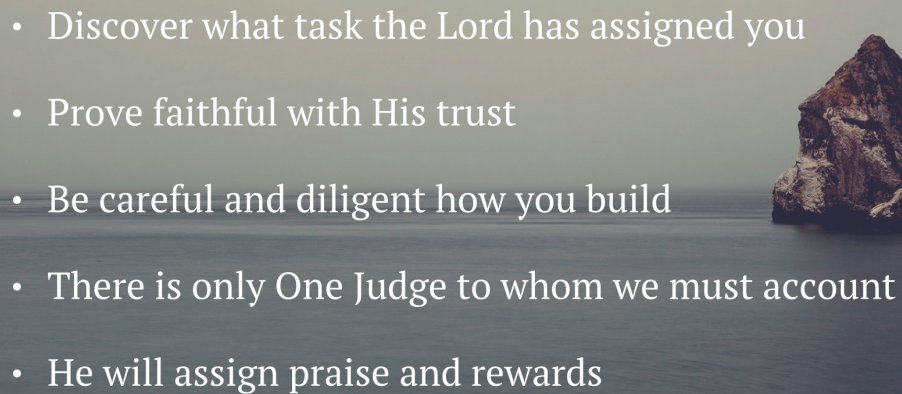
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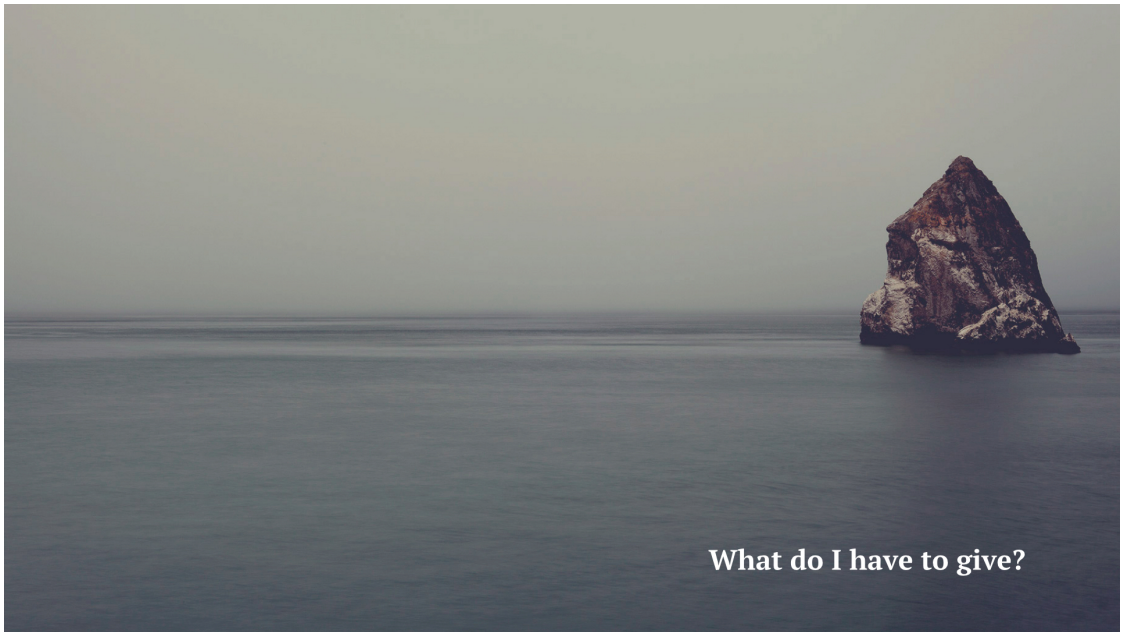
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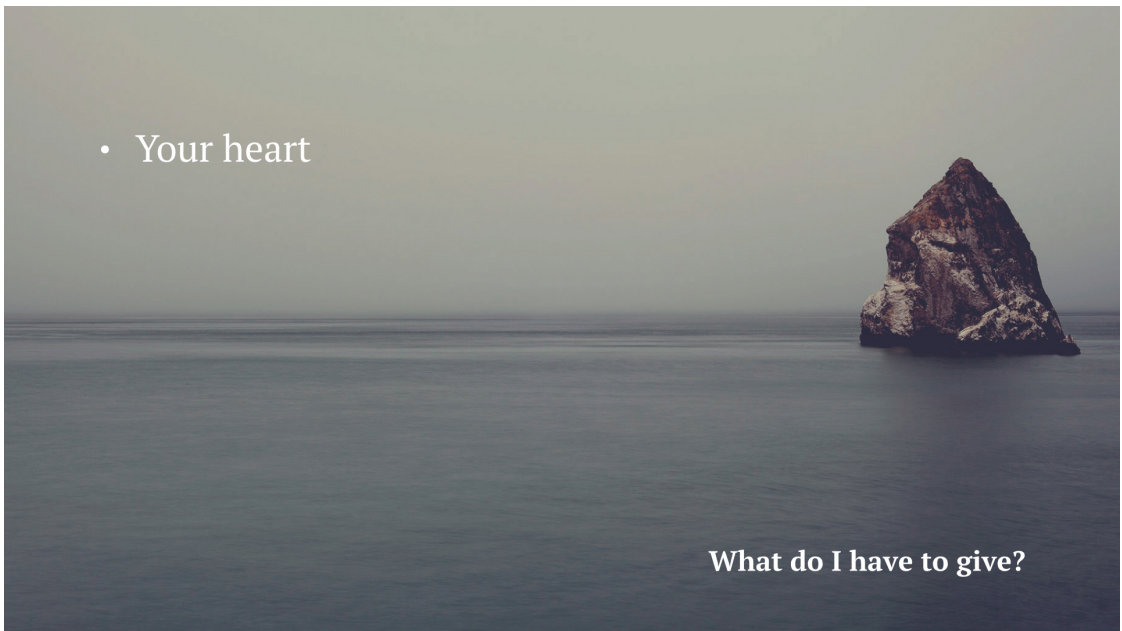
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What do I have to give?



- Your heart

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What do I have to give?

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- Prayer



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- Your heart
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- Diligent, focussed, persistent effort

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