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II Corinthians 9:15

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“For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.”

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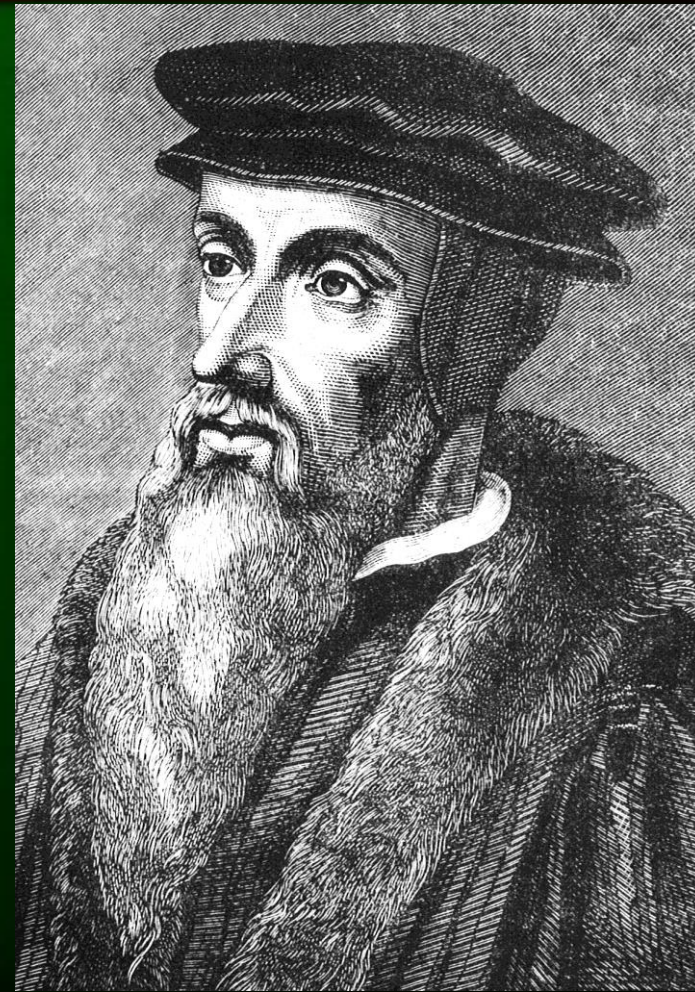


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John Calvin



“If we are proud of our talents, we betray our lack of gratitude to God.”



Revelation 4:9



“And whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to him who is seated on the throne, who lives forever and ever,”

Examples of Gracious Giving in the Bible




- Jesus giving Himself (John 4:10)
- Holy Spirit as a gift (Acts 2:38; 10:45)
- Salvation as a gift (Acts 8:20; 11:17; Hebrews 6:4)
- Jesus' righteousness (Romans 5:15, 17)
- Grace as a gift (Romans 3:24; Ephesians 3:7; 4:7)

Isaiah 9:6



*“For to us a child is born, to us A SON IS GIVEN;
and the government shall be upon his shoulder,
and his name shall be called Wonderful
Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father,
Prince of Peace.”*

John 3:16-17



“¹⁶ For God so loved the world, that HE GAVE HIS ONLY SON, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

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“... no personal staff protected him from interruptions and no power or influence protected him from injustice. He saved us from alongside us.”

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“The Cross is not the cross of a man, but the Cross of God, and it can never be fully comprehended through human experience. The Cross is God exhibiting His nature. It is the gate through which any and every individual can enter into oneness with God. But it is not a gate we pass right...

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“...through; it is one where we abide in the life that is found there. The heart of salvation is the Cross of Christ. The reason salvation is so easy to obtain is that it cost God so much. The Cross was the place where God and sinful man merged with a tremendous collision and where the way to life...

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“...was opened. But all the cost and pain of the collision was absorbed by the heart of God.”

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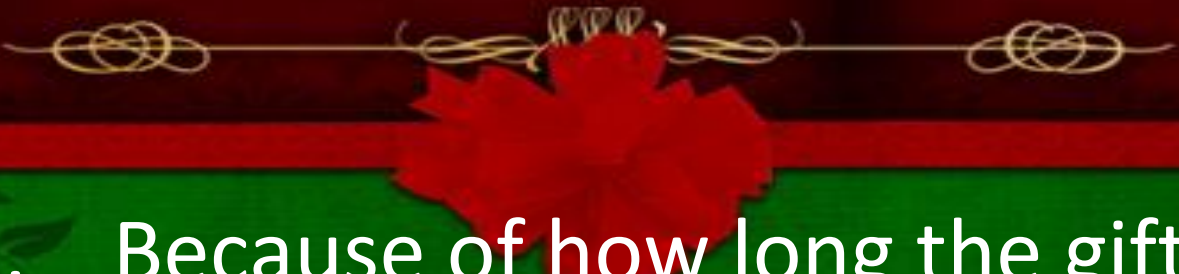
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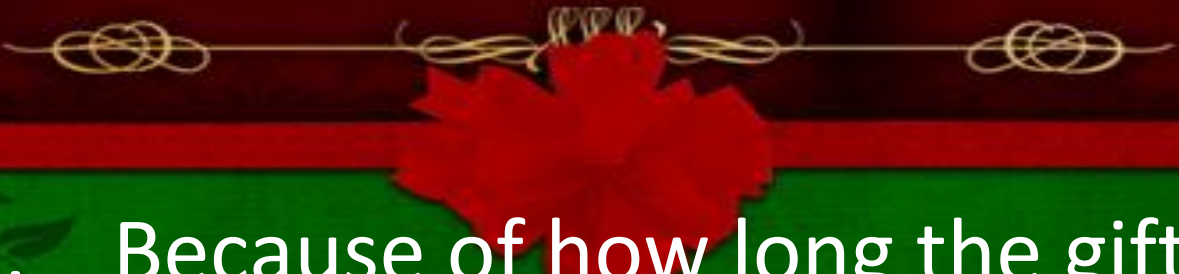
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“There is a fountain filled with blood
Drawn from Immanuel’s veins,
And sinners plunged beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains.”


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 - *heirs with Christ* (Romans 8:17)

Walter Maier



“The great gift of Christ is not granted to God’s friends, but to his enemies, to those who in their sins have risen up against God and declared war against the Almighty. To every one of us, suffering, as we and our world are, under the destructive power of sin, God offers his gift of ‘unspeakable’ grace. Christmas does not offer...

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“...rejoicing to a selected few; it cries out, ‘Joy to the world!’ We stand before that supreme and saving truth, the holy of holies of our Christian faith, the blessed assurance that ‘Christ Jesus came into the world,’ not to build big and costly churches, not to give his followers earthly power and rule, but—and this is why the angels sang...

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“...their praise—‘to save sinners.’ He came, not to establish social service, social consciousness, social justice, but first and foremost he came to seal our salvation. No wonder that the apostle calls the mercy of God as shown by the gift of Christ ‘unspeakable’; it goes beyond the limit of human speech. Just as beholding the glare of...

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“...the sun, men lose their power of vision, so raising our eyes to the brilliance of Jesus, the Sun of Righteousness, we are blinded by the splendor of the greatest Gift that God himself could bestow. Christ came to save—blessed assurance! But more: he came to ‘save...to the uttermost,’
SO...

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“...that no sin is too great, no sinner too vile, to be blessed, when penitent and believing, by this Gift.”