

Mid-week Stewardship Thought

Controlled by Christ's Love

Giving is a fundamental form of expressing love. It is wonderful to hear God's words, *I have loved you with an everlasting love*"; and the second half of this verse backs up the first half, *"therefore I have continued My faithfulness to you"* (Jeremiah 31:3). Throughout Scripture we read of countless times when God has continued His faithfulness to His people. In our own lives, we can recount many instances of God showing His faithfulness to us.



What precious thing is it that we can give? Is it your time that's so dear to you, that's in such short supply? Is it the effort that's so difficult to make to serve your church, your neighbors, those who would benefit from your help? Is it your money, hard-earned through long hours and much labor? *"He died...that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for Him..."* (2 Corinthians 5:15). Is our love for God and His people so great that we cannot but love and give as well?

Prayer: Dear Heavenly Father, You are so generous to us; help us to be generous in our giving. Open our eyes to opportunities to share Your love in us to others. In Your holy and precious name, I pray. Amen.