

奉 献（贰）

Consecration (II)

贰 奉献是什么

II. The Significance of Consecration

一 是遵行神的旨意

A. Following the Will of God

（一）‘照神的旨意，先把自己献给主。’林后八章五节

1. “They gave themselves first to the Lord...through the will of God” (2 Cor. 8:5).

神的旨意，就是要叫主得着我们。神所以把我们召来、救来，就是要我们给主得着。所以我们把自己献给主，乃是遵行神的旨意。我们如果不这样奉献，就是拦阻神为着主所定的旨意，破坏神对于主所有的目的。

It is the will of God that the Lord would gain us. God called us and saved us so that we could be gained by the Lord. Therefore, [when we consecrate ourselves to the Lord, we are following God's will](#). If we do not consecrate, we will obstruct the will that God purposed for the Lord. We will damage God's purpose for the Lord.

二 是答应神慈悲的要求

B. Responding to the Requirement of God's Compassions

（一）‘…神的慈悲求你们，将身体献上。’罗马十二章一节原文。

1. “I exhort you...through the compassions of God to present your bodies” (Rom. 12:1).

神藉着祂的灵，以祂的慈悲，在我们每一个蒙了祂慈悲的人里面，都有一个爱的要求，就是要我们把自己献给祂。所以我们把自己献给神，乃是答应神的要求。

Through His Spirit with His compassions, God's requirement in love for each of us is that we would present our bodies to Him. [Consecration is a response to God's requirement](#).

三 是让主享受祂合法的权利

C. Allowing the Lord to Enjoy His Legal Right

（一）‘你们不是自己的人；因为你们是重价买来的；所以要在你们的身子上荣耀神。’林前六章十九至二十节。

1. “Do you not know that...you are not your own? For you have been bought with a price. So then glorify God in your body” (1 Cor. 6:19-20).

我们不只是主所救的人，也是主所买的人。主是用重价，就是用祂的宝血，买了我们。所以我们不是自己的人，乃是主的人；我们对自己没有主权，我们的主权乃是在主手中。按着我们被主买来的地位说，我们应当完全归主所有。主既用祂的宝血买了我们，祂在我们身上就有一个合法的权利得着我们。我们把自己献给主，让主得着，就是让主在我们身上享受祂这合法的权利；否则，我们不只就主的救恩说，是忘恩的，并且就主的权利说，是不法的。

The Lord not only saved us but also bought us. [The Lord paid the price of His precious blood to buy us. Therefore, we are not our own; we are the Lord's](#). We do not have authority over ourselves. The authority over us is in the Lord's hands. Since we have been bought by the Lord, we should be completely His. Since the Lord bought us with His precious blood, He has the legal right to gain us. [When we consecrate ourselves to the Lord and allow the Lord to gain us, we allow Him to enjoy His legal right](#). Without consecration, we are ungrateful with respect to His salvation, and we are also negligent with respect to His legal rights over us.

（二）‘我们没有一个人自己活，也没有一个人自己死。我们若活着，是为祂而活；若死了，是为祂而死；…我们或活或死，总是主的人’罗马十四章七至八节。

2. “None of us lives to himself, and none dies to himself; for whether we live, we live to the Lord, and whether we die, we die to the Lord. Therefore whether we live or we die, we are the Lord’s” (Rom. 14:7-8).

我们既‘是主的人’，就该‘为主而活’。不只该为主而活，也该‘为主而死’。我们或活或死，都该为主，不该为自己。这是我们该让主得着的。这需要我们奉献。没有奉献的信徒，活不能荣耀主，死也不能荣耀主。只有那些奉献，为主不顾生死的人，或活或死都能叫主得荣耀。

Since we are the Lord’s, we should live to the Lord. We should not only live to the Lord but also die to the Lord. **Whether we live or die, we should be to the Lord, not to ourselves. Consecration is needed in order for the Lord to gain us to this extent.** Unconsecrated believers cannot glorify the Lord through their life or their death. Only those who are consecrated, who do not care about life or death, can glorify the Lord in their life or their death.

四 是爱主的表示

D. Expressing Love for the Lord

(一) 你爱我（主耶稣）么？…你跟从我罢。’ 约翰二十一章十五至二十二节。

1. “Do you love Me?...Follow Me” (John 21:15-22).

奉献是出于爱主，所以奉献是爱主的真确表示，并且是爱主的高度表示。主对彼得说，你若爱我，就得跟从我。跟从主，就是把自己归给主。我们若真的爱主，就必定把自己奉献给主。并且我们献给主的程度，是根据我们爱主的深浅。

Consecration comes out of loving the Lord. Therefore, **consecration is the proper expression of love for the Lord, and it is also the highest expression of love for the Lord.** The Lord told Peter that if he loved the Lord, he would follow Him. To follow the Lord is simply to give ourselves to the Lord. If we really love the Lord, we will consecrate ourselves to the Lord. **The extent of our consecration is based on the depth of our love for the Lord.**

五 是神对我们的试验

E. God’s Testing of Us

(一) ‘神要试验亚伯拉罕，…说，你带着你的儿子，…把他献为燔祭。’ 创世记二十二章一至二节。

1. “God tested Abraham and said to him...Take now your son...and offer him there as a burnt offering” (Gen. 22:1-2).

神要我们奉献，是祂对我们的试验，看我们对祂如何，是爱祂，或是不爱祂。亚伯拉罕爱神，所以神要他把独生的儿子献给祂，以此试验他是否真的绝对的爱祂，是否爱祂胜过一切，胜过他独生的儿子。

God’s desire for us to consecrate ourselves is a test of our love for God. Abraham loved God, so God asked him to offer his only son to Him. **By doing this, God tested Abraham to see whether his love was absolute toward Him, whether Abraham loved Him more than everything else, even more than his only son.**

(二) ‘试验你们爱心的实在。’ 林后八章一至八节。

2. “Proving also the genuineness of your love” (2 Cor. 8:8).

无论我们对圣徒的爱心，或是我们对神的爱心，都是要经过试验的。这个试验就是奉献—或是奉献财物，或是奉献自己。所有的奉献都是试验—也都是证实—我们对圣徒或对神的爱心如何，到何种程度。

Proving is related to consecration—either in the consecration of our money or the consecration of ourselves. **All consecration is a test—a proving—of our love toward the saints or toward God.** It proves the level of our love.

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