

# Make Church a Part of Your Life

## WEEKLY SERMONETTE

*"What Does God Get?"*

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We are so accustomed to coming to God with our needs, wants and desires because we believe that God answers prayer. We know that the Bible says, "Ye have not because ye ask not" . . . (James 4:2) and so we ask and ask and ask. We ask for all those things that will make life better for us and make us a happy, contented and prosperous people. I wonder if you have ever stopped, as I have, to ask yourself, "What does God get out of all of this?" We know what we want out of our relationship with Him; blessings now and heaven to come, but after all is said and done what does God get? In the thirty-second chapter of Deuteronomy we see Moses addressing the people of Israel and in verse nine he makes a thought-provoking statement when he says, "For the Lord's portion is His people". That's challenging isn't it? Out of all that is happening, all God gets is His people.

When you stop to consider this thought, through, you begin to

come to the realization that that is all that God could get. The Bible already tells us that God owns everything else. He created it, He sustains it and He can end it whenever He might choose to do so. The only

thing that God doesn't own is people. He created them and then He turned them loose. He gave them free will and the ability to pick and choose. Man chose sin and degradation and so God again intervened and thus

we find a verse like John 3:16 - For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. We have just passed Easter when we remember that God raised Christ from the grave and took Him into Heaven and He is at the right hand of God. Since man is still a free moral agent God, through Christ, invites him to come to make his own decision to enter into a personal relationship with God. That is possible because Christ died for our sins and God can forgive them on the basis that Christ's blood was shed for those sins.

Since all of God's portion will be His people, God is busy day and night to draw you unto Himself. He cares not for your position, money, fame or stature. He cares for you! you are what God created this whole world for so that out of it you and I could choose to love Him. What does God get? Hopefully, He gets you and I.



### Surprise

**W**ho knows what wonderful surprises are in store when we have friends and family who love us...who think ahead and make plans for our happiness when we least expect it...even while we are up to our own devices.

Our Heavenly Father has loving plans for us as well. While we go about our daily lives, God is always with us, even when we think we have it all under control. Our Creator knows us and is faithful to us. "For I know the plans I have for you...to give you a future and a hope." (Jeremiah 29:11)

We can take time from our busy schedules to spend time with God and to praise His faithfulness to us. Plan to worship Him this week!

Sunday Exodus 16.1-36	Monday Exodus 19.1-25	Tuesday Exodus 20.1-26	Wednesday Hebrews 9.1-28	Thursday Hebrews 10.1-18	Friday Hebrews 10.19-39	Saturday Hebrews 11.1-22
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