**Sermon Review**

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**“What Are You Willing To Give Up For Jesus?”**

*Matthew 19:27*

The season of Lent is upon us, and it is this season that we as Christian believers are urged and encouraged to make a special effort to remove any and all things that can hinder, hurt, harm us from being the loyal and dedicated people God would have us to be. For many of us, we have so easily been snared by our worldly concerns that we mis prioritize those things that really are most important to us. Absolutely nothing or no one should take precedence before our commitment and devotion to Christ. Certainly, there are people and things that are a part of our lives and with love them enormously, but again when we miss prioritize, we easily can become entangled in attitudes, habits and behaviors that are not representative of our Christian spiritual maturity and growth. In essence there are some things that we need to turn loose, to give up and yes even to sacrifice on behalf of our Lord and Savior. Some people during Lent may give up smoking, drinking, or even cursing. Unfortunately, as soon as Resurrection Sunday passes, they will pick up those habits all over again. We must diligently, genuinely, and sincerely give up that which so easily besets us and leads us astray. As we sing Jesus is all the world to me, He is my strength from day to day, without Him, I would fall. If indeed that is true, let us be ready to give up whatever it is for Jesus.

Be Blessed.

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