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"The Costly Ministering of Our Substance"

Session Notes



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Luke 6:38 *Apostle-phrased, shares his revelation on Jesus teaching about giving:*

He said; give away from yourself; even the costly substances you receive and God causes men to give back so its experienced as coming in good measure; pressed down, shaken together and running over. And consider; the spiritual law is; with the same measure we chose to deny self; to sacrificially give away from ourselves; is the same measure by which we'll receive!

Paul's revelation shares costs of giving to minister of our substance:





Romans 7:18-21 *Apostle-phrased!*

Although I will to give of myself; to be or do more than I may feel equipped or worthy to; that "good I'd deny myself to do"; my will to do so, is present; but I struggle with how to press to perform it. For though I desire to please God; a spiritual law exists; that when I think on doing good; to give as I believe I'm led; inevitably, I also find, "evil present with and thinks to work me"!

"Good I Would Do"


Good I would Do: in Greek, the "kalos" signifies, beautiful, spiritual deeds; things God anoints as He chooses; for a going to be, do or give as led; so, work out as our portions in salvation.



-  *The revelatory is the "kalos" are performances God deems shall be; so, orders. What makes them valuable, virtuous, worthy acts we're led to do; is learned obedience despite suffering as we must; to press in to be seen or heard; so, men experience, His will done.*
-  *Paul also shares, although we have a will present to do expected "kalos"; it often proves quite costly to selflessly give; to minister of our substance to perform, accomplish and finish them according to His purpose; as evil always lurks; thinking to inhibit us.*

"To Will is Present"

To Will is Present: is "thelo-parakeimai" signifying we whom Jesus truths "touched" made us free to will and do God's good pleasure. Our "thelo" reflect His life-changing touch giving us liberty as ability; to see rightly despite darkness; and determine right, ordered steps; subtlety blurs.

-  *The revelatory is; God's effectual working in us; dynamically touches our strength so, we're given resilient ability; to persevere, to press distinguishing; separating truth from*

deceptive condemnation; to be stayed in heart and mind, non-reactive despite any tactic evil uses; to delay or deny in opportunities we’re given to go freely minister; as led.

🕒 Thus, it’s important we learn to *recognizably discern* what hand is present; working to *touch* us in ways that *determine*; how *costly* any *ministering* of our substance becomes.

“Evil, Present With Me”

Evil Present with: as “*kakos-parakeimai-emoi*” is *opposition at work thinking to touch us* in ways meant to *wear us out; hindering, inhibiting; adversely influencing* so, we *foolishly spend precious time; feeling overwhelmed, resistant* and in such a *spiritual struggle*; we become *prone to faint; unprofitably fruitless.*

🕒 **Consider the revelatory “kakos” as evil present;** signifies *it*, a dark hand extended; full of subtlety; artfully, maliciously misdirecting; conjuring fear in sounds of condemnation *it* swirls, to swarm about us spiritually. *It’s* as viral infestations; dangerous situations of detestable pestilence threatening to overtake us. *It* tries to make us feel too weary to give what others won’t; or too *costly* to obediently minister of our own substance; despite all *its* overwhelming opposition.



🕒 *It* comes as “trouble”; on account of *Word* taught and heard! *Its* **oppressive hand** is full of idle words men whisper. *It* wields; works swarming scandalously demonic; offensive and lying residue; produced from garbage heaps of things past, *men foolishly repeat.*

🕒 *It* fills atmospheres with injurious ill-will. *It* intentionally flies in the face of *our will to do good* by denying ourselves to give. *It* thinks to *kill, steal so destroy*, our kairois times; *God sent opportunities to be used in presenting ourselves as; “His” living sacrifices.* *It* will tirelessly insinuate; what lights on like flies; spread **troubling** rumors; **innuendo** men entertain as thoughts, that negate *salvation’s forgiveness*. *It* tries to **strategically position and** to use the **doubleminded**; with minds full of the **condemnation** that speaks even **silently**.

🕒 Finally; *it* continually thinks to use **inhibitors** we struggle in wrestling with; until we all tend to feel so weary, overwhelmed; even unworthy; we’re hesitant to go thinking to **do good**, especially as public **giving** of ourselves for **fruit it often seems; we never see! Yet all this can easily be discerned, loudly heard so pressed past; if we are truly spiritual.**

We consider a **revelatory** example of a **woman** experiencing this. She **felt led to forget her past; thought to reach forward; focus, to unbelievably press past condemnation; to go give away from herself; the costliest substance she owned; doing good in gratefully giving back to Jesus!**



Luke 7:36-37 *Apostle-phrased!*

A Pharisee named Simon; invited Jesus to break protocol to come eat at his house; so, he could see for himself what He was really about. Jesus though knowing this; chose to go sit, recline and eat with him and other guests. Meanwhile; unbeknownst to Simon; a woman in the city; one labeled "a sinner"; "when she knew" Jesus was invited to that house; was stirred to though uninvited; choose unbelievably; to go there too.

"She was labeled, a Sinner"

A Sinner: is "hamartolos"; labeled utterly worthless; defiled, ostracized, sinful; seen as bound! However, the revelatory we gain researching her life; refutes any truth in commentaries that justify also labeling her as probably a prostitute or adulterer as well; some have even gone as far to say; a crazed; empty-minded demoniac!

"But When She Knew"

When she knew: "epiginosko"; signifies receiving intimate revelation; knowledge so marked and clear; it spiritually steadied, it stayed her heart and mind. For she also recognized, became absolutely fully acquainted with all this meant for her.

Consider; the revelatory is it's an empowering knowing; able to move us spiritually; to go be or do, what others, thinking they knew us would argue we couldn't; or at the least; shouldn't.

But when we "epiginosko"; we clearly discern a thing as God for us to accomplish; recognize within ourselves, perceive His kairos; His great effectual door of opportunity; with our name on it; is opening; presenting to and quickening us to rise up now; and prepare; to go do good.

And remember; as a result of such a Word we believe we've heard; trouble comes on account of it; as that same concept of "kakos" we defined as being; "evil present with us"!

Consider, this woman; when she knew; seemed prepared to go minister of her substance; to go give back to Jesus for some life-change He'd wrought in her; to minister unto Him; in a deeply intimate, personal, costly way; especially in thinking Simon would allow her entrance; much less unfettered access to Jesus; to express a labelled sinners sense of spiritual gratitude.

Consider so imagine she'd been at the same service as another Mary; called Magdalene; witnessed her mind being severely sifted; ravaged due to seven devils that held her hostage to the voices; until delivered by Jesus touch along with many other women there.



Imagine, this motivating her to gratefully risk all; to go love on and minister back to Him of her substance as she had to no other. Imagine, her just being determined to go be with Him knowing that “perfect peace” that now kept her heart and mind; regardless of what she also knew Simon; and many like him still thought of her; despite all Jesus touch delivered her from!

Consider; had she’d stopped to ask anyone about her bold decision to go give so; common sense would’ve surely counseled against going especially to this Simon’s; as pray, pray; yet obviously; she took no thought for her own safety.

Consider; she chose to “aphorao”; to look away; from her old season issues ignore every excuse “swarming kakos” warned were a bad idea; not God; and grace, which hurdles every obstacle withstanding; to strengthen us for the press; filled her with the quiet confidence to rise, turn, reach back to take up her box. Thus, humbled under the mighty hand of God; “she brought it”.


“She Brought it”


She Brought: “komizo” is walking intentionally, wisely circumspect; taking no other thought into consideration but, to go give as led; denying self to take what we must.


The revelatory is; this woman; still labelled “a sinner” by men; yet apparently delivered out of all her many afflictions by Jesus; and despite the highly painful cost probably experienced in gathering the substance her box held; “she brought it”; likely as all she thought she even had; but was willing to go give away from herself; in pure gratitude.

This; “komizo” also signifies she threw caution to the wind bringing it; to intentionally, give up what she may’ve considered the only costly thing she even had to minister He who assuredly deserved so much more; might even consider worthy for Him to receive.

Consider, our sinner setting out as if sent; “brought it”; as in chose to forget the past now behind her; reach to accomplish the thing set before her; to press past the “kakos” to intimately touch; sit so worship at Jesus feet; her mark for revelation of high calling.

 **Consider** in arriving she found a crowded house full of judgmental Pharisees, doubleminded onlookers, self-righteous spectators; and even Jesus twelve very anxious disciples.

 **Now, imagine** she looked neither right, left; nor returned stares intended to challenge her; or was moved by uncertain seeming disapproving sounds all else heard; meant to discourage such a sinner from daring enter in any further; uninvited.

 **Imagine** being determined to “keep your mind stayed on Jesus, despite the noise”; to press on; uninvited but persuaded, to let nothing separate you from His love touching; so still with you.



Consider, if we “knew as she”; we too would feel motivated to go intentionally slip in, press past every inhibiting factor of whatever “kakos” might think to swarm in; to withstand us in our quest; and go ask, seek and knock and find Jesus awaiting us to touch Him; as she did.

Consider, hers, one of our perfect examples of the spiritual din evil present with us creates; silently challenging all who’re changed; to make us feel too unworthy to enter into spiritual settings; much less think to be used to press in; to “touch” anyone men declare, more worthy.

Imagine, she kept her head down and he mind stayed on Jesus; pressing despite noises silent yet accusing voices made behind her back as she passed; declaring her still a sinner. It had to threaten to literally shipwreck her; but that perfect peace God grants those pressing with a “stayed heart and mind” led her past all to Jesus feet. And once there, she stood safely behind Him; broken by the cost give herself away so is; and weeping profuse tears; washed His feet!



Luke 7:38

As her tears silently at His feet behind Him; weeping so her tears literally washed over His feet. Then still silent but empty of tears; she knelt; cradling His feet; to tenderly, dry them with her hair. She also silently; in the gratitude true worshipper have; kissed His feet again and again; Consider, she ministered unto Him lovingly; abandoned to a total giving herself away!





Remember; such is a worshipping God in spirit and in truth.


It is that substance of faithfulness God seeks.

And to become such a one; is truly “costly”; as there is no greater denying of ourselves.


Understand; only after she emptied herself; literally giving herself away; did she finally remember to open her alabaster box; to seal the presenting herself a living sacrifice; as the substance of her faith hoped her Lord would find wholly acceptable as her reasonable service. Only then did she anoint His feet with her costly oil!

 **Can you imagine, all this cost;** as one so unforgivingly and disparagingly labelled but "a sinner"; to remain focused on presenting her sacrifice; to stick and stay her course; still pressing past scandalized whispers; or loud innuendos of silent yet slanderous voices accusing her as all the "Simons" in the house were want to do.

 **Or imagine all the "kakos" swarming all about her** screaming out condemnation; lighting on her head so, she felt pressured as even her own heart condemned her?

 **Can you imagine, trying to forget, reach forward to press on** into sacrificing while you see how little those in the house think of you; is if no more than prostitute; adulterer; and if nothing more; judge your giving unacceptable; as some woman of ill repute?



 **Can you imagine, losing ourselves in worship;** enabled to discern so recognize Jesus apart from all the crowds and kakos want us to be too distracted and struggling with; to gratefully think to minister; touch so, loving on Him; as giving away costly substance?



Luke 7:39-46 *Apostle-aphrasing continued:*

Now when Simon who'd invited Him in; saw the fearless, audacious; yet quiet boldness this woman dared show uninvited; and considered unworthy; silently "went about" accomplishing what she obviously thought was her "doing good"; and worse, saw Jesus unbelievably silently permitting it; Simon spoke disparagingly about it although, within himself!



Indignantly judging the situation, he said; "Now, this man can't be all that; for if He were a true prophet, He'd know who and what manner of woman this is "touching Him". Worse; He continues to allow her to do all that! Obviously, He must not have a clue; that unlike me and many with me; she's but a "hamartolos"; but a worthless, utterly defiled; obviously ostracized, bound sinner; and she's still being seen; "touching Him"!

"Touching Him"

Touching: in Luke 7:39 is "haptomai"; the revelatory here is it signifies intimately moved by; in a manner, seen as a cleaving unto. It's if having right and liberty that publicly establishes deeply personal, reciprocal relationship; as being with Him; is ... so!

Now although **Simon** thought he'd kept his **disdaining judgment** to himself;
Jesus; because **God** was with **Him**; working effectually in **Him** to will and to do; despite the "**kakos**" swarming so loudly over the woman ministering of her substance; to make her struggle with accomplishing it; He turned in answer to the loud screaming outrage is, to say; "**Simon, I've somewhat to say to you**". **Simon** yet being clueless his self-righteousness was busted; said; "**Go ahead; say on Master!**" So, **Jesus**, taught in **His** usual style of questioning parable; "**A creditor had two debtors: one owing him 500 pence; or \$69.25; the other owed 50 pence; or \$7.00. In finding neither able to repay him; he forgave both. So, Jesus asked; "Simon; which of them he chose to forgive; will in return love him the most?"** Now spiritually clueless, yet still utterly self-righteous; **Simon** boldly answered as if miffed; even insulted;

"Well, I'd suppose the one he forgave the most!"

Jesus responded; "**You've rightly judged that situation!**" But then the whole atmosphere shifted; as **Jesus** stood!
Jesus turned back to the woman still kneeling silently at **His** feet; yet spoke to **Simon**, so everyone saw and heard; "**Do you "see" this woman? From the time I entered your house; you've gave no water for My feet. But yet she kept her mind stayed on me; despite "noisy kakos"; as your disapproving gaze heard. She washed My feet with tears and wiped them with the hairs of her head. She since I came; has kept her mind stayed on Me; and despite all the "noisy kakos"; as your silent accusations heard; she hasn't ceased to kiss My feet. Even My head, you never anointed with oil; but still this woman has continually kept her mind stayed on Me.**



Luke 7:47-48 *Apostle-aphrasing continued:*

And despite the noisy din your self-righteous judgements; she; stayed content in the state she found herself; continually gave herself away; persisting to gratefully anoint My feet with her costly substance and ointment.

For this reason; I say to you; "**Her sins, which are many, are now forgiven; for she loved much!**
But know this; "**To whom little is forgiven, they prove to always love Me little!**"

Then **Jesus**, finally turned to address the woman who'd remained silently waiting, saying;
"**Your sins are forgiven!**"



Luke 7:49-50 *Apostle-aphrasing continued:*

Now; when the rest of the men who'd seen all transpire between **Him** and this woman; also despised and disdained it within themselves. They foolishly thought it wise to say within themselves; "**Who is this, daring to think He also has God's authority to forgive sin also?**"

And as was **His** way; **Jesus** turned; once again, as **His** continuing to "do good" unto this woman; as **God** with her;



And **His** Words lifted her up; separated her out of all the "**kakos**" as condemnation He knew swarm about her and now about **Him** as well.

The “*kakos*” had thought their swarming using the other Pharisees would work to deny His any further ability to be used in “doing good” by continuing to minister of their substance despite the cost.

But Jesus next Words; doubled down spiritually; resisting the devil who then had no choice but to flee! For His next Words immediately lifted this woman up and brought her immediately out of the bondage her being labeled a sinner meant. His Words would bring her out of condemnations reach; unto His wealthy place of salvation in a suddenly; amazing grace always is.

Jesus Words were an act of truly giving Himself away to be used by God long before He went to the cross to finish His work of opening wide God’s great, but effectual door leading unto salvation.

Hear the revelation in what He boldly said unto her; in front of all the religious bigots in the room;

Luke 7:50

Your faith has already saved you; go forth in peace.

Or Apostle-aphrased!

“Because you chose to keep your mind stayed on Me despite all the noise; your faith has “already saved you”; therefore, go now enter into My grace; and the keeping My perfect peace is to you in Salvation!”

In preparing to close, consider all Luke’s eyewitness accounts reveal resulted from this costly ministering of substance she and many others with Jesus experienced so; they followed giving.

Luke 8:1-2 *Apostle-aphrasing!*

Jesus traveled everywhere; revealing the substance of His faith by His works, as well as Word; by this He was seen; as truly being a powerfully recognizable presence everywhere He “went about”; in His “doing good”.

Now men widely reported as He “went about” so; He was seen to continually preach, teach and present to all having ears to hear; His living example He shewed, as an amazing authority and power; in His Word and deeds. He shewed men the glad tidings the Kingdom of God was sent to be for all. And He was seen as He “went about”; to always have His twelve chosen disciples with Him; and an infamous “many others”.



This company following Jesus everywhere were considered infamous because many scandalous whisperings; “*kakos*” were continually spreading, and swarmed about them; especially about His company of certain women that were also seen; that though quiet in their accomplishing; boldly “went about” as if content in their unseemly being “with Him” too. The troubling thing for was their being seen so; made it seem they scandalously believed they could or would ever be accepted by the priests or rabbi’s; as if forgiven of their sins; thus deemed worthy; much less anointed to the point where history would say God gave them anything costly to go “minister doing good”; as He did!

Oh, but not so, for Luke 10:1-20 records a powerful revelation given him.

Soon after eyewitnesses report that Jesus as Lord chose and appointed seventy; from among His many others that followed Him everywhere; and also sent them out two and two to go before Him into every city and place, He'd follow them to come to. His command to them was: “The harvest truly is great, but the laborers few: pray the Lord of the harvest would send even more of you as laborers to do the costly ministering of your substance.

For now, I send you forth to go your ways assigned; sent as lambs among wolves. Yet I don't want you to go concerned, about providing for your own needs; or about **cultivating relationships** among those you encounter. Instead, **whatever house you encounter in your ordered steps to enter, say; “Peace be to this house”**; for if the **son of peace** is there, your **peace** you given so; shall **rest upon that house; but if not, it shall turn to you again.**

And behold, to **prepare you** for this by giving you **authoritative power** as the **anointing to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all power the enemy has, as “kakos”**; that **evil present with you**. And know; although **resisting the devil**; to do the **costly ministering of your substance**; yet **nothing shall by any means hurt you.**

But don't rejoice over spirits being subject to you; but simply rejoice; your names, are written in heaven!

Truly we cannot ever beat God giving!

Even if we were to **empty ourselves of the little we thought we had**; when we're pressed to give what then becomes the **“costly” ministering of our substance**; what God causes us to receive back from men is always **far “greater”**; just as what He gives back; is an everlasting good part.

Luke's revelation continued again; in Luke 10:42

There Jesus later, declared to **Martha**; that **His Mary** whom He loved; who still chose to sit at His feet every chance she got; had chosen that **good part**; that once **given her**; could never be “taken away”. This as **“aphaireo-ou”** signified the **good part chosen** shall not; indeed, could not **be touched** to defile it; in **thinking to overtake and remove it; cut it off, overpower it, or smite it down** to in any way **take it away; from her or us!**

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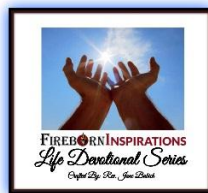


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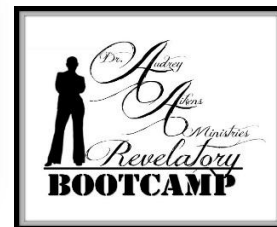
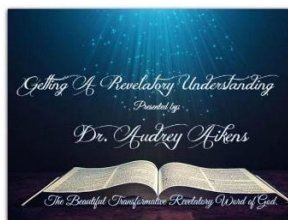
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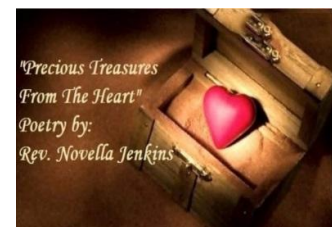
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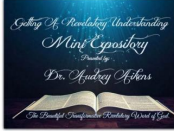


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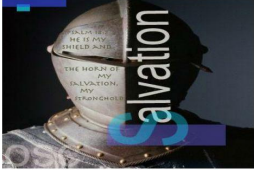
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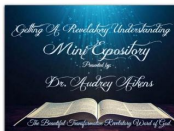
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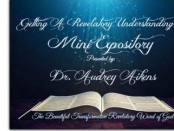
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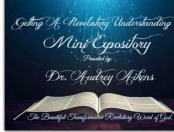
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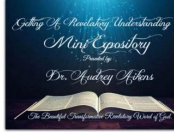
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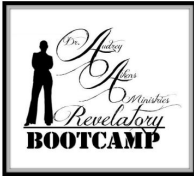
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