

Edward Christian Church

**Spiritual
Warfare
Pt 11**

**SPIRITUAL
WARFARE**

Our Adversary

Ephesians 6:10-12

ARE YOU READY FOR BATTLE?

July 28, 2024

Occupy Til I Come

"Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?
Here I am Lord, Send Me!" -- Isaiah 6:8

Occupy

-Does Not Mean

⌘ *Take Up Space*

-It Does Mean –

⌘ *Take a Stance*

⌘ *Be Productive*

⌘ *Take Back Lost ...*

...Ground / Property



Recognize the Battle

...AHEAD of
you is bigger or
stronger than the

Warning

- Be (*now-constant*)
 - Strong (*infused w- inner ability*)
 - In the Lord (*found one place*)
 - Power (*overwhelming – irresistible*)
 - Might (*strong arm*)

Be strong

Ephesians 6:10

in the

Lord

and in his

Mighty Power.

A person wearing a bright red, full-length robe and a tall, pointed red hat stands centrally in the frame. The person's face is obscured by deep shadow. They are positioned in front of a dark, multi-story building with several windows, some of which appear to have light inside. The entire scene is overlaid with a heavy rain effect, with numerous white streaks representing falling rain. The overall mood is dark and ominous.

AT THE DEVIL'S
DOOR

Last Supper

14 Present

Jesus and His Disciples and...

..Satan

He was Looking for a Way to Get to Jesus

A Doorway = an Entry Point in His Life...

...to Affect His Life

He Found None –John 14:30

*Hereafter I will not talk much w- you: for the prince of this world cometh, and **hath nothing in me.***

Every Door was Shut!

Last Supper

**Jesus Lived a Life that Kept the Door Closed
So Satan looked for Someone Close...
...to Get to Him**

“Disciples”

There was a Dispute...

- **Among them**
- **Within them**

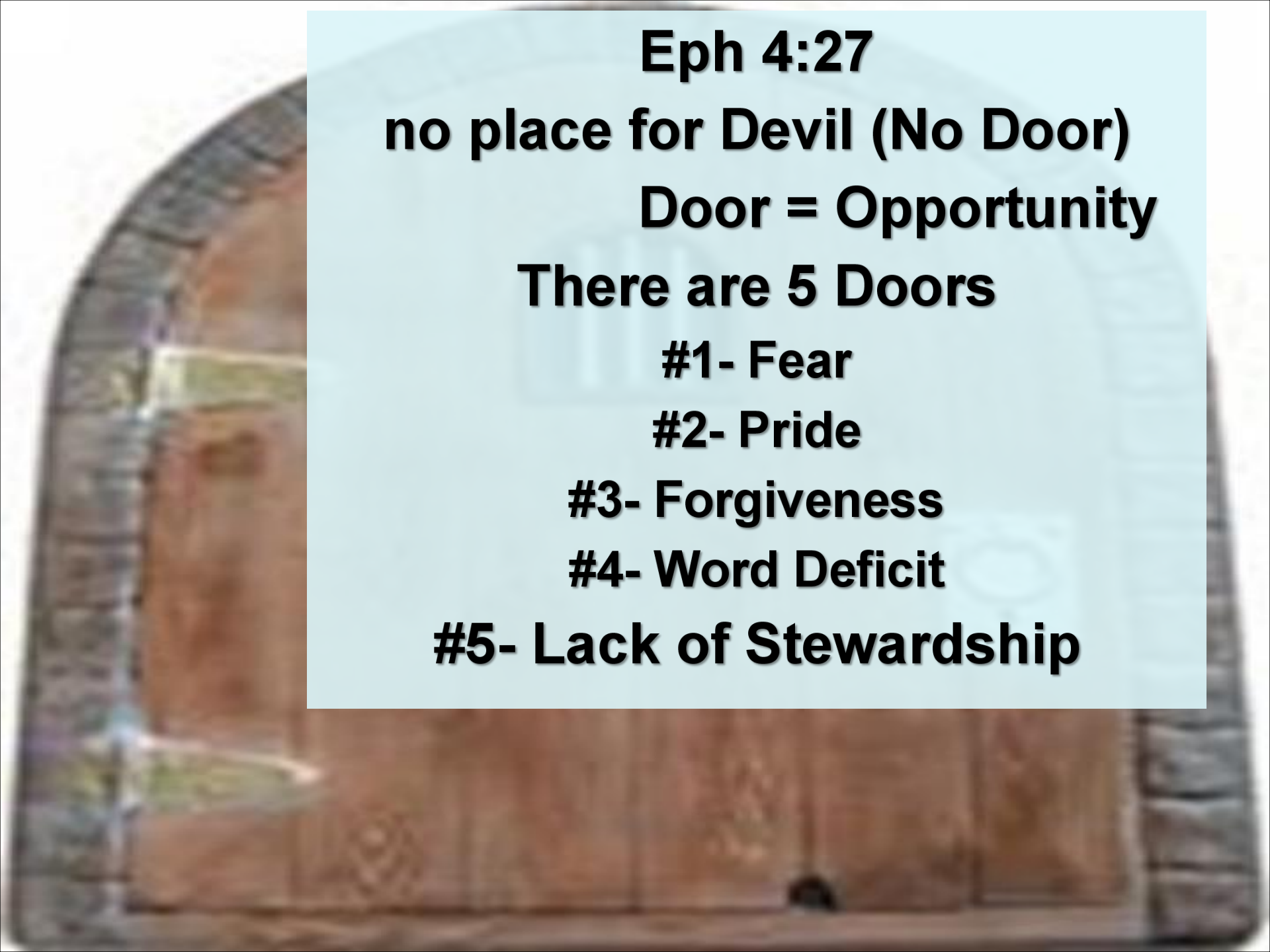
These Disputes...

...Produced Doors

...Entry Points for Satanic Activity

A person wearing a bright red hooded cloak stands in the center of the frame. The hood is pulled up, completely obscuring their face. They are standing in a heavy rain, with numerous white streaks representing raindrops falling all around them. In the background, the dark, silhouetted roof of a house is visible against a black sky. The overall mood is mysterious and ominous.

AT THE DEVIL'S
DOOR



Eph 4:27

no place for Devil (No Door)

Door = Opportunity

There are 5 Doors

#1- Fear

#2- Pride

#3- Forgiveness

#4- Word Deficit

#5- Lack of Stewardship

STEWARDSHIP

A Lifestyle of Partnership With God

Growing:
God

ABC's of Stewardship “Blessings”

1 Chron 29:10-16

Serving:
Allowing
God To
Use You

Giving:
Managing
God's
Resources

Stewardship is...



...EVERYTHING we think, say, and do after we say “I believe”

Stewardship is...

Using God Given Abilities to...

...Manage God Given Resources,

...to Accomplish God Given Results



...EVERYTHING we think, say, and do after we say "I believe"

STEWARDSHIP



PUTTING OUR FAITH IN ACTION

How to practice it?

TIME



**Pray
Gratefully**

Recognize
everything we
have is a gift
from God

TALENT



**Serve
Responsibly**

Thank God
for all the
talents He
has given us

TREASURE



**Give
Generously**

Thank God
for the
resources He
has given us

STEW

Stewardship Areas



PUTTING OUR FAITH INTO



Time

Talent

Treasure

How to

Testimony

TIME



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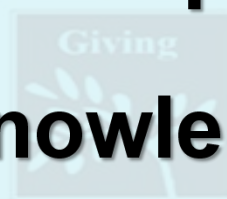
TALENT



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Temple



Give
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Acknowledgement

Attitude

Action



Then David praised the LORD in the presence of the whole assembly: "O LORD, the God of our ancestor Israel, may you be praised forever and ever!"

- 1 Chronicles 29:10 -

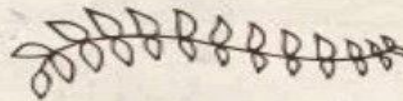
Last Week We Looked At...
...the Attitude of Stewardship

Now Let's Look at the...
...Blessings of Stewardship

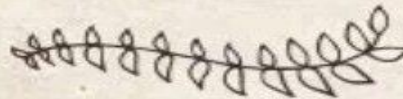
1 Chronicles 29:10-16 (HCSB)

¹⁰ Then David praised the LORD in the sight of all the assembly. David said, May You be praised, LORD God of our father Israel, from eternity to eternity. ¹¹ Yours, LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the splendor and the majesty, for everything in the heavens and on earth belongs to You. Yours, LORD, is the kingdom, and You are exalted as head over all. ¹² Riches and honor come from You, and You are the ruler of everything. Power and might are in Your hand, and it is in Your hand to make great and to give strength to all. ¹³ Now therefore, our God, we give You thanks and praise Your glorious name. ¹⁴ But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? For everything comes from You, and we have given You only what comes from Your own hand. ¹⁵ For we live before You as foreigners and temporary residents in Your presence as were all our ancestors. Our days on earth are like a shadow, without hope. ¹⁶ Yahweh our God, all this wealth that we've provided for building You a house for Your holy name comes from Your hand; everything belongs to You.

**BOTH RICHES *and* HONOR
COME FROM YOU,**



**AND YOU RULE OVER ALL,
AND IN YOUR HAND IS
POWER & MIGHT;**



**AND IT LIES IN YOUR HAND
TO MAKE GREAT AND TO
STRENGTHEN EVERYONE.**

1 CHRONICLES 29:12

Everything

- V11- the Word ***“everything”***
- V14- the Phrase, ***“Everything comes from you”***
- V16- the Phrase, ***“and all of it belongs to you”***

King David Understood that...

...EVERYTHING Comes from God.

EVERYTHING

Names of God

El Shaddai

(pronounced el shad-dī)

Meaning: All-Sufficient One. Lord God Almighty.

El is another name that is translated as "God." Shaddai is believed to be derived from the Hebrew word "shad," meaning "breast." This gives the idea that God is completely nourishing, satisfying, and supplying His people with all their needs as a mother would her child. He freely gives nourishment and blessing. He is our sustainer.

Where is it used in the Bible? Genesis 17:1. And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I am the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect.

"Let them praise the name of the LORD: for his name alone is excellent; his glory is above the earth and heaven." Psalm 148:13

Truth #1
God's Power:
His Ability to Give (12)

But Does God Have the Power to...
...Give to Us What We Need?

The Answer throughout the Scriptures is "YES!"

(12) David said: *"Wealth/ honor come from you; you are the ruler of all things. In your hands are strength and power to exalt / give strength to all."*

- **God is an All-Powerful, All-Sufficient God**

He Has the Power to Give to You..

...Everything You Need For Today!

JIREH
Will Provide
Gen 22:8-14

EL-SHADDAI
Our Sufficiency
Gen 22:17

NISSI
Our Banner
Exod. 17:15

ROPHEKA
Our Healer
Exod. 15:26

ELOHEEKA
Thy God
Exod. 20:7, 25

ADONAI
Our Sovereign
Gen 15:2-8

BEAUTIFUL NAMES

MEKADDISHEEM
The Lord Who Sanctifies
Exod. 31:13

ELOHIM
Our Eternal Creator
Gen. 2:4-25

SHALOM
Our Peace
Judg 6: 24

SHAMMAH
Is Present
Eri. 48:35

JEHOVAH

ELYON
The Lord Most High
Ps 47:2

SABOATH
Lord of Host
1 Sam. 1: 3

TSIDEKENU
Our Righteousness
Jer. 23:6

ELOHEENU
Our God
Ps 99:5, 8, 9

HOSEENU
Our Maker
Ps 95:6

ROHI
My Shepherd
Ps 23:1

God is Sovereign

- **Supreme- Jehovah Sabaoth:**

"The Lord of Hosts" -Isa 1:24

- **All-Powerful- El Shaddai:**

"God Almighty" -Gen 49:24

- **All-Sufficient- Elohim:**

"Creator, Mighty /Strong" -Gen 17:7

- **Able to Give- Yahweh-Jireh:**

"The Lord Will Provide" -Gen 22:14

- **Big God- El-Gibhor:**

"Mighty God" -Isa 9:6

"And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus" -Phil 4:19

And my God
will meet
All your
needs
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riches of His
glory in Christ
Jesus.

Philippians 4:19

Truth #2
God's Provision:
His Willingness to Give (14)

**But Does God Have the Willingness to...
...Give to Us What We Need?**

Again, the Answer is "YES!"

"Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand." (14)

- **God is Willing to Give to You What You Need.**
- **He Has Already Given us the Resources for Anything He Asks Us**

Philippians 4:19



Let them shout for joy, and be glad,
that favour my righteous cause: yea, let
them say continually, Let the LORD be
magnified, which hath pleasure in the
prosperity of his servant.

-Psalms 35:27 KJV



Truth #2

God's Provision:

His Willingness to Give (14)

Revelation that Will Change Your Life!

- **Do You Want to Know What Causes Problems In This Area?**
- **We Want Resources that We Don't Need**
- **God Gives Us Today What We Need For Today**

Let them shout for joy and rejoice, who favor my vindication *and* want what is right for me;
Let them say continually, "Let the LORD be magnified, who delights *and* takes pleasure in the prosperity of His servant." Psa 35:27

You are
[a letter] written
by Christ
himself
not with ink
paper, but by
his Holy Spirit.
2 corinthians 3

Truth #3

God's Partnership:

His Reason to Give (14, 16)

Why Does God Give to Us?

(16) *"O LORD our God, as for all this abundance that we have provided for building you a temple for your Holy Name, it comes from your hand, and all of it belongs to you."*

God Gives To Us So that We Can...

...Give Back to Him

...and to Others

Because in Our Partnership with Him

...God Wants Us to Be Like Him

...He is a Giving God.



Give, and it
will be given to
you.

Luke 6:38

We Need to Remember God is the Initial Giver

- **He Models It for Us-**
- **He Expects Us to Do Something With It**
- **He Gives Us Things so that We...**
...Can Give Them Back to Him
- **Its Called the “*Cycle of Stewardship*”**

Luke 6:38

Give, and it will be given to you. They will pour into your lap a good measure—pressed down, shaken together, and running over [with no space left for more]. For with the standard of measurement you use [when you do good to others], it will be measured to you in return.”



Are You A Conduit
Or A Container?

The Partnership Is Not Complete...

**...Until We Give Back
Conduit or Container**

**∞ Nothing has more impact on a Us than
...to be a Blessing**

**∞ Giving is the Highest Level of Living...
...we Can Achieve.**

**∞ It's Not What You Have that...
...Makes the Difference.**

○ It's What You Do With What You Have.

BLESSED

TO
BE
A

BLESSING



How Do We Give Back?

We Give to Back to God...

Directly

- **Bringing Tithe and Offering to Storehouse**
 - Use Our Time, Talent, Treasures, Testimony
...to **Bless His House**

Indirectly

- **Giving to Others**
 - Use Our Time, Talent, Treasures, Testimony
...to **Bless Others**

**Partnership of Stewardship that God Calls Us To
Completes the Cycle**



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Spiritual Facts about Giving

Giving Makes me Christ-Like

☞ **1 Chron. 29:14** *"But who am I, / who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, / we have given you only what comes from your hand.*

Giving Draws me Closer to God

☞ **Matthew 6:19-21** *"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.*

Giving is an Investment for Eternity

☞ **1 Tim. 6:18-19** *Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.*

GIVE

and it will be given unto you.
They will pour it into your lap



good measure - pressed down, shaken together,
and running over.



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Giving Blesses me in Return

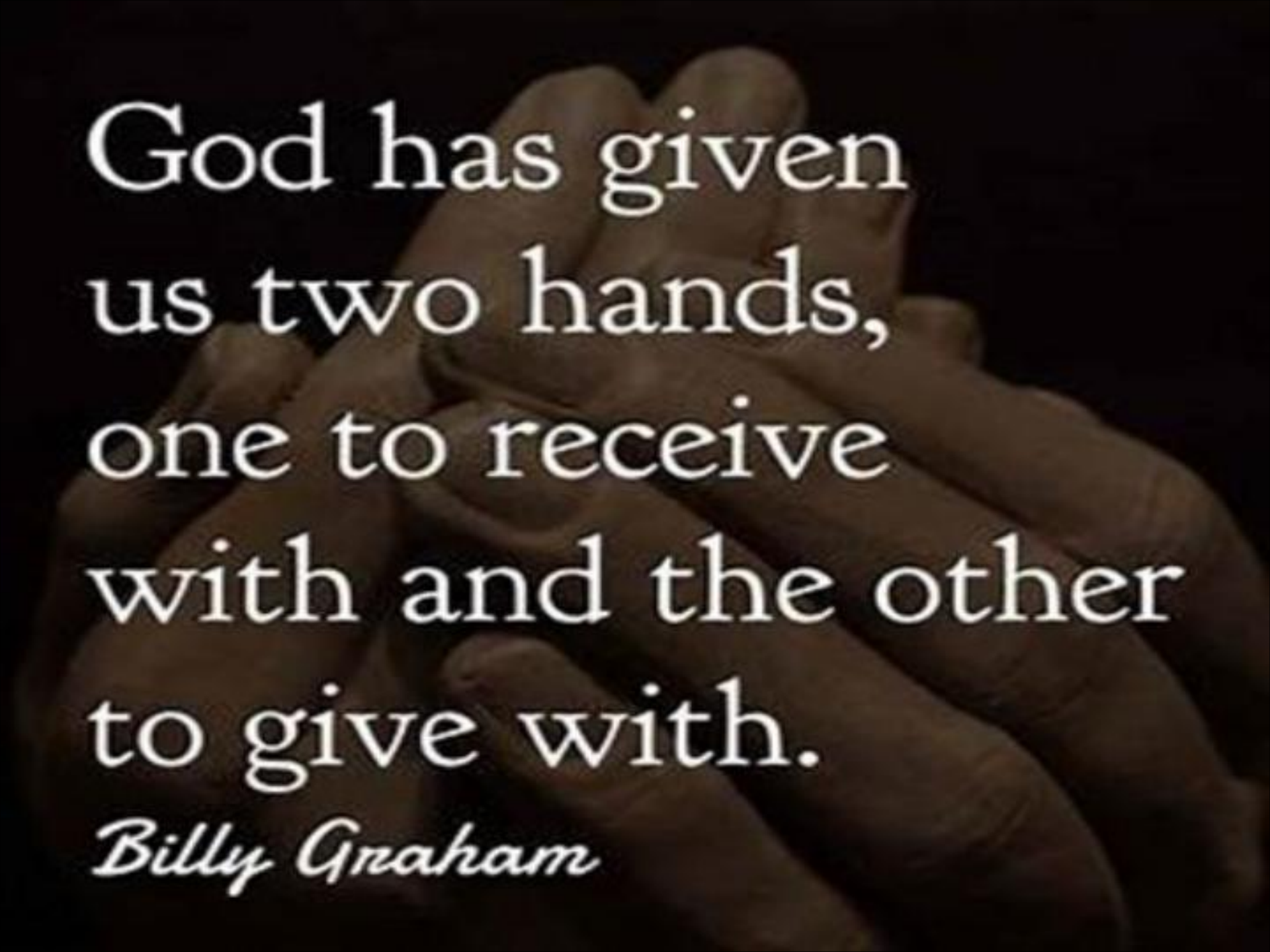
✠ **Proverbs 3:9-10** *Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine.*

✠ **Luke 6:38** *Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.*"

Giving Makes me Happy

✠ **2 Cor. 9:6-7** *Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, / whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.*

✠ **Acts 20:35b** *“...Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'”*

A pair of hands, palms up, cupped together in a gesture of offering or receiving. The hands are positioned centrally, with fingers slightly curled. The background is dark and out of focus, emphasizing the hands. The lighting is soft, highlighting the texture of the skin.

God has given
us two hands,
one to receive
with and the other
to give with.

Billy Graham



God has given

How Do I Shut this Door?

Start By Saying...

Everything I Have

Belongs to Him

I Just Manage It

If I Master This Attitude

I'm A Good Steward

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