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Sunday, October 24, 2010

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Sacrifice is a foreign concept for most people. We often pray for God to protect us from anything that would make us uncomfortable or inconvenienced – anything that might call for sacrifice. Today our *Generation to Generation* journey takes us down the road of sacrifice. We will conclude our worship time considering Christ’s sacrifice for us at the cross as we celebrate the Lord’s Supper.

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1. Sacrifice begins with a _____.

2. Sacrifice continue with a _____.

3. Sacrifice results in _____.

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“But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive” (1 Corinthians 15:20-22, NIV).

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“As you harvest your crops, bring the very best of the first harvest to the house of the Lord your God” (Exodus 23:19, NLT).

1. SACRIFICE BEGINS WITH A VISION AND TASK.

“The temple is not for man but for the Lord God” (1 Chronicles 29:1, NKJV).

2. SACRIFICE CONTINUES WITH A RESPONSE.

3. SACRIFICE RESULTS IN PRAISE TO GOD.

“Blessed are You, Lord God of Israel, our Father, forever and ever. Yours, O Lord, is the greatness, the power and the glory, the victory and the majesty; for all that is in heaven and in earth is Yours; Yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and You, are exalted as head over all.” (1 Chronicles 29:10-11, NIV).

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he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. For he "has put everything under his feet." Now when it says that "everything" has been put under him, it is clear that this does not include God himself, who put everything under Christ. When he has done this, then the Son himself will be made subject to him who put everything under him, so that God may be all in all" (1 Corinthians 15:20-28, NIV).