

A Matter of the Heart

Exodus 25:1-8



...they are a sweet smelling sacrifice that is acceptable
and pleasing to God

Philippians 4:18 NLT



The LORD said to Moses, "Tell the people of Israel to bring me their sacred offerings. Accept the contributions from all whose hearts are moved to offer them.

Exodus 25:1-2 NLT



An offering is something we give to God.



If you help the poor you are lending to the Lord—
and he will repay you!

Proverbs 19:17 NLT



God does not command what we give.



Accept the contributions from all whose hearts are moved to offer them.

Exodus 25:2b NLT



You must each decide in your heart how much to give.
And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. "For
God loves a person who gives cheerfully."

2 Corinthians 9:7 NLT



Our giving should be motivated by our
gratitude.



Here is a list of sacred offerings you may accept from them:
gold, silver, and bronze; blue, purple, and scarlet thread;
fine linen and goat hair for cloth;
tanned ram skins and fine goatskin leather; acacia wood;
olive oil for the lamps; spices for the anointing oil and the
fragrant incense;
onyx stones, and other gemstones to be set in the ephod and
the priest's chestpiece.

Exodus 25:3-7 NLT

And the people of Israel did as Moses had instructed; they asked the Egyptians for clothing and articles of silver and gold. The LORD caused the Egyptians to look favorably on the Israelites, and they gave the Israelites whatever they asked for. So they stripped the Egyptians of their wealth!

Exodus 12:35-36 NLT



He is so rich in kindness and grace that he purchased our freedom with the blood of his Son and forgave our sins. He has showered his kindness on us, along with all wisdom and understanding.

Ephesians 1:7-8 NLT



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We give God our very best.



And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him.

Romans 12:1 NLT



Recommended Reading

- 1 Chronicles 29
- Proverbs 22:9
 - 3:19
 - 3:27
 - 19:17
 - 28:27
- Matthew 6:23, 4, 21
- Mark 12:41-44
- Luke 6:30
- 2 Corinthians 9:6
- Romans 8:32
- 1 Timothy 6:10
- 1 John 3:16-18