

SERMON SERIES

SACRIFICE



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- **Old Testament**

- An act of offering something as a means of atonement, worship, or thanksgiving

- **New Testament**

- Christ is the perfect sacrifice
- Christians are called to be living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God (Romans 12:1)
- Paul describes himself as being poured out like a drink offering (Philippians 2:17 and 2 Timothy 4:6)



MY PURSUIT





PHILIPPIANS 3:5-14

A FIRM DECISION

PHILIPPIANS 3:5-8



“now I consider”

- A shift of mindset
- To consider is to think or regard
- Christ is the treasure beyond measure
- Christ surpassed all he could ever gain in life

Give me Jesus by Fanny Crosby

Take the world, but give me Jesus,
all its joys are but a name;
but his love abides forever,
through eternal years the same.

Take the world, but give me Jesus,
sweetest comfort of my soul;
with the Savior watching over me,
I can sing, though thunders roll.

Take the world, but give me Jesus;
in his cross my trust shall be
till with clearer, brighter vision
face to face my Lord I see.

Oh, the height and depth of mercy!
Oh, the length and breadth of love!
Oh, the fullness of redemption,
pledge of endless life above!

“I believe the greatest blessing God ever bestowed on me was when he permitted my external vision to be closed... The loss of sight has been no loss to me.”

Fanny Crosby
(1820-1915)



**The pursuit of Christ is to make sacrifice
to magnify Christ in every part of our lives.**

A FEARLESS DESIRE

PHILIPPIANS 3:9-11



⁹ and **become one with him**. I no longer count on my own righteousness through obeying the law; rather, I become righteous through faith in Christ. For God's way of making us right with himself depends on faith. ¹⁰ **I want to know Christ** and experience the mighty power that raised him from the dead. **I want to suffer with him, sharing in his death,** ¹¹ so that one way or another I will experience the resurrection from the dead!

**Roger
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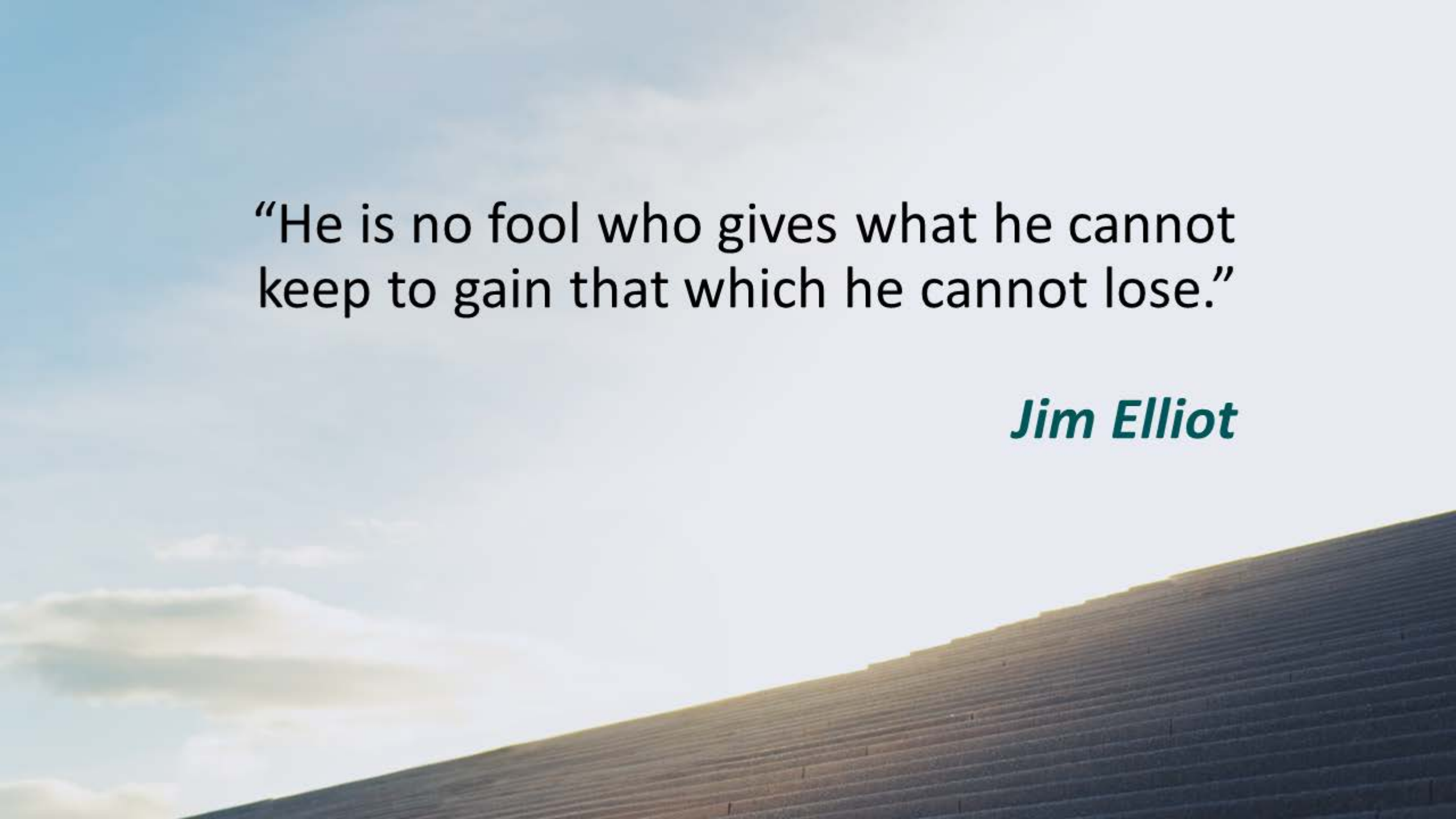
**Pete
Fleming**

**Jim
Elliot**

**Nate
Saint**

**Ed
McCully**





“He is no fool who gives what he cannot
keep to gain that which he cannot lose.”

Jim Elliot

John 12:24-26

²⁴ I tell you the truth, unless a kernel of wheat is planted in the soil and dies, it remains alone. But its death will produce many new kernels—a plentiful harvest of new lives. ²⁵ Those who love their life in this world will lose it. Those who care nothing for their life in this world will keep it for eternity. ²⁶ Anyone who wants to serve me must follow me, because my servants must be where I am. And the Father will honor anyone who serves me.

A FOCUSED DRIVE

PHILIPPIANS 3:12-14



12 I don't mean to say that I have already achieved these things or that I have already reached perfection. But I press on to possess that perfection for which Christ Jesus first possessed me.

13 No, dear brothers and sisters, I have not achieved it, but I focus on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead,

14 I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us.

My pursuit of Christ

A Firm Decision

A Fearless Desire

A Focused Drive



2 Timothy 4:6

For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time for my departure is near.

