

God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." In the Cross we have the great, comprehensive, free gift, given to the world "without money and without price," unmerited, unrequitable, royally given, the gift of God's redeeming grace. We need a fresh realisation of the greatness and the abundance of the freedom of the gift of God to us. He reconciles us to Himself freely in Jesus Christ and multiplies upon us all that we need, the Cross ever being our assurance that He will withhold from us nothing that we are willing to receive.

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As I think of the Cross and of its two sides, I realise that, on the one side, there is something in it which is complete. I like the old phrase "the finished work." As a gift of God it is something which was given once for all and never needs to be repeated. But, from the point of view of the obedience of man, it is something which has to be perpetuated and repeated throughout all history; and that sense of debtorship which the acceptance of God's gifts implies, as I understand