MARCH 8

Dedication Sunday

GOD WILL RECEIVE WHAT
IS DEDICATED TO HIM.

Biblical Root Words

Hebrew

חָנַךְ (Chanak) – dedicate, inaugurate

- Initiating something for God's purpose.
- *Deuteronomy 20:5; 1 Kings 8:63; 2 Chronicles 7:5; Psalm 30*

קָדַשׁ (Qadash) – consecrate, set apart, make holy

- Set apart from common use.
- *Exodus 19:10; Exodus 29:44; Exodus 40:9; Leviticus 20:7–8*

Nadar נָדַר - vow, pledge, dedicate by promise

- A voluntary commitment made to the Lord.
- *Numbers 30:2; Deuteronomy 23:21–23; 1 Samuel 1:11; Ecclesiastes 5:4–5*

Greek

ἐγκαινίζω (Enkainizo) – dedicate, inaugurate

- Beginning under God's authority.
- *Hebrews 9:18; 10:20; John 10:22*

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Dedications in the Bible

Marriages *(Hebrews 13; Ephesians 5),* **Children** *(1 Samuel 1),* **Family/Households** *(Joshua 24),* **Houses** *(Deuteronomy 20),* **Places of Worship** *(1 Kings 8),* **Spiritual Leaders** *(Exodus 29),* **Businesses and Work** *(Proverbs 16),* **Land and Fields** *(Leviticus 27),* **Cities** *(Joshua 6),* **Nations** ***(2 Kings 23; Joshua 24),*** **Possessions and Wealth** *(2 Samuel 8),* **Time, Sabbaths and Feasts** *(Exodus 20:8; Leviticus 23:2),* **Life and Body** *(Romans 12)*

Reflect

Questions for yourself:

- What areas in my life have remained common and not treated as holy?
- What do I need to re-dedicate to the Lord?
- What do I need to dedicate to the Lord?

Questions for God:

- What areas have I broken covenant with You?
- What in my life do you want me to set apart for You?
- What are you asking me to surrender and dedicate fully to You?

Questions for others:

- What areas in my life do not seem set apart?
- Does my life reflect being set apart to God?
- Would you be willing to pray with me as I dedicate things to the Lord?

Dedication Steps

- Identity what has remained common.
- Ask the Lord what he wants you to set apart for Him.
- Decide to dedicate what is common and what God is asking for.
- Set aside an intentional time for dedication.
- Invite others to be a part of the moment.
- Worship and minister to the Lord.
- Tell the Lord, “it belongs to you”.
- Steward “it” as belonging to the Lord.

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PRAYER of ENCOUNTERS

This is where I tell You... **I love You, I love You, I love You!**

This is where I tell You... **You’re Holy, You’re Holy, You’re Holy!**

This is where I tell You... **Thank You, thank You, thank You!**

This is where I tell You... **I need You, I need You, I need You!**

This is where I tell You... **Speak Lord, Your servant is listening!**