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Many years ago, I was told of the story of a man who traveled at night, sumakay siya sa Ceres.  
And in the darkness, he asked permission if the driver could stop for a while dahil iihig siya.  
So somewhere in the mountains, sa bundok, tumigil yung bus and all the men went out and relieved themselves.  
Umiihi sila. Then after a while, when everybody went back to the bus, they forgot about him.  
Kasi nung umiihi siya, dun siya sa malayo. Aywan ko bakit dun niya gusto sa malayo.  
Nung umalis na yung bus, they did not see, walang nakakita sa kanya, pero nahulog siya.  
Nahulog siya sa bangin, sa cliff. Akala niya kasi flat ground pa, yun pala dulo ng mga puno yung nakikita niya.  
So akala niya grass. Then he went further and he fell. Nahulog.  
And for a few feet, nung nahulog siya, he was able to hold on to a vine that was protruding out of the side of the cliff.  
Meron isang vine, may sanga, at dun siya kumapit. That's why he did not fall all the way down to the ground.  
Kumapit siya dun. At sumisigaw siya ng tulong, tulong. Sa Antiquenyo pa, tabang, tabang.  
And nobody heard him. So buong gabi, nandun siya nakakapit lang. Kapit siya ng kapit because it was a cliff.  
And it was so dark, wala siyang nakikita. Tinitingnan niya sa baba, tinitingnan niya yung palibot niya.  
It was so dark, it was pitch black all around him. So he cried and cried, tabang.  
Nobody responded. And he held on to that vine.  
Noong bandang huli na, nangangawit na yung kamay niya. Hindi niya na kaya and his hands are beginning to slip.  
Nadudulas-dulas na dun sa vine. Then he prayed to God. Nagdasal daw siya. Sabi niya, Diyos ko, buligi ako. I don't want to leave my family behind. At this time, my family needs me, help me.  
Then, deep inside of him, he heard a voice say to him, let go. Bitawan mo yan. Ayaw niyang bitawan niya. Lord, sigurado pag binitawan ko to, patay ako.  
And so he held on to it. Hawak pa rin siya ng hawak. Until na inaantok na siya, napapagod na siya.  
And he prayed again to God. Lord, please help me. Please send help for me.  
And the Lord said to him, let go. Bitawan mo na yung vine na yan.  
Ayaw pa rin niya. Ayaw pa rin niya.  
Then, when it was about time for the sun to rise, suddenly, the Lord said to him again, let go of that vine.  
And finally, sabi niya, Lord, I surrender to you. I surrender.  
At nung sinabi niya, I surrender to you, he let go of the vine.  
At pagbitaw niya sa vine, nahulog siya. The ground was just two feet away.  
Nagulat siya, nasa lupa, nakagad siya.  
Sabi niya, Lord, ba't hindi mo sinabi na sa lupa ako? Palapit na pala.  
But the instruction was, let go. Gabi palang sinabi na ng Diyos sa kanya.  
The problem with our society today is we're having trust issues.  
In marriages, there are husbands and wives who don't trust each other.  
In our society, we live among people who don't trust each other.  
Nagkaroon tayo ng mga trust issues because of so many things.  
Ilan sa inyo dito nakaranas na kayong linoko kayo?  
Kunti lang, iba hindi pa? Manda kayo.  
Ilan sa inyo naboodle na dito?  
Okay, ako naboodle na ako.  
Bumili ako ng murang air freshener sa Facebook.  
Nung dumating sa akin, coloring lang ang laman.  
Galit na galit ako sa mga scammers dahil na-scam na ako.  
So you see, naboodle tayo, naloko tayo. That's why we are having problem trusting other people.

Mahirap magtiwala sa kapwa-tao.  
Sabi nga nila nung unang panahon, yung mga bahay, walang bakod.  
They don't put fences on their homes.  
And people don't lock their doors.  
Okay? Wala namang papasok sa bahay mo pag hindi mo inimbita.  
Ngayon, makikita mo yung mga bahay ngayon? Nakikita nyo pa yung mga malaking bahay?  
Hindi nyo makita bakit ang taas ng pader nakatago.  
May CCTV, may mga alarm, you know?  
We lock everything.  
Dahil minsan kasi naloko na tayo, naboodle na tayo. We're having trust issues.  
And the problem with that, yung mga trust issues natin, we carry that over in our relationship with God.  
Pati sa Diyos.  
Pati sa Diyos, hindi na rin tayo, hindi rin tayo nananalig sa Kanya.  
And that's the problem.  
And that's the problem.  
Because in our relationship with God,  
if we're going to walk with God,  
if we're going to live with God,  
we have to trust God 100% with our life.  
But because of our trust issues, our trust problems with other people,  
pati sa Diyos, hindi na rin tayo nagtitiwala.  
And today, I would look at our first reading, because our first reading, this is one of my favorite stories in the Bible.  
It is a simple story, but it is packed with so much insight and wisdom that would help us.  
Today, we're going to talk about trusting in God.  
If we don't trust God,  
do not expect to be happy in your life.  
Yan ang problema, hindi tayo happy sa buhay natin.  
Because we don't trust anybody anymore.  
We don't even trust God Himself.  
God, who never fails to keep His promise,  
we don't trust Him anymore.  
Okay?  
In our first reading today, it is the story of Elijah, the prophet.  
Just to give you a background of our first reading,  
Elijah had a confrontation with the king, King Ahab.  
And King Ahab was the worst king of Israel.  
Siyang pinaka-bad boy talaga sa buong history ng Israel.  
He led his people to worship other gods.  
He led the entire nation into idolatry.  
Hindi pa siya nakontento.  
Sa kalukuhan niya, pinakasalan pa niya si Jezebel.  
Sa dami-daming babaeng pwede maging asawa niya,  
pinili niya yung pinakamalaot satanan na babae.  
Chose her, made her his wife.  
And they turned the whole nation to other gods.  
They turned the whole nation into idolatry.  
And because of that, God told Elijah,  
as he confronted Ahab, sabi ng Diyos ka Elijah,  
you proclaim, you declare, that there will be a drought in the land.  
And so during that confrontation,  
during that confrontation with King Ahab,  
Elijah declared a drought.  
There will be no rain.  
Praise God for the rain today.  
Pero in that place, sabi niya, walang ulan na darating.  
And Ahab went out from the presence of the king  
went out from the presence of the king  
and it stopped raining for how many months?  
Walang ulan sa Israel.  
You see, this is what happens when you sever your relationship with God.

It will always end up in dryness.  
Tandaan natin yan.  
If you separate yourself from God,  
you will experience dryness in your soul, deep within you.  
Matutuyuan ka.  
Okay?  
And so, the whole land of Israel was in a drought.  
There was a famine in the land.  
Lahat ng produkto nila nasira.  
And the land cannot sustain the people anymore.  
Wala nang makain.  
Walang tubig na mainom.  
But God said to Elijah,  
Elijah, don't worry.  
I want you to stay beside a little river.  
Wadi. Wadi means little brook.  
Sabi niya, you stay there.  
Doon ka muna magtago. You stay there.  
There will be water there for you.  
And so, Elijah obeyed God.  
Imagine mo, drought.  
Wala nang ulan. Gutom na.  
Sabihin ng Diyos sa kanya, doon ka muna.  
Magpapadala ako ng ibon, papakainin ka ng ibon.  
Anong naisip mo?  
Buti sana magsasabihin niya, magpapadala ako ng food, panda.  
Wala.  
Sabi sa kanya, punta ka doon sa ilog.  
Doon ka, manirahan muna.  
And I'll send someone to feed you.  
And true enough, when Elijah was there,  
beside the wadi, he has water everyday.  
While the whole land was suffering from drought,  
Elijah had water.  
Okay?  
And everyday,  
birds would come.  
Ravens would come  
and supply food for him.  
Okay?  
The Lord really supplies.  
Yun lang, huwag kang mamimili.  
Okay?  
Kung anong pinigay ng Diyos sa'yo,  
salamatan mo.  
Parents teach that to your children.  
Whatever is set on the table,  
you eat what is on the table  
and you thank God for it.  
May araw na pwede tayong mamili ng ulam.  
May araw na hindi ka namimili ng ulam.  
Kung anong linagay sa lamesa,  
yun ang kakainin mo.  
And so Elijah,  
Elijah ate bread  
and you know,  
food that was delivered to him by birds  
from other places  
and you know, he had water.  
Until the day,  
until the day,  
the river dried up.  
Pati yung ilog na  
where Elijah was staying,

natuyok din.  
And when that happened,  
the birds stopped coming  
also providing for him.  
Now, listen to this.  
What would Elijah feel finally?  
Mararamdaman mo na ngayon.  
You know, when our resources get depleted,  
there will come a point in our life  
na yung mga ari-arian natin,  
resources will become depleted.  
Mauubos.  
And when your resources are depleted,  
there will also come a time  
that even your friends,  
close friends,  
would abandon you.  
Okay?  
Kaya nga sabi nila,  
in the Philippines,  
the more money you have,  
the more relatives.  
But what if you lose all your money?  
Then friends stop coming to you.  
Wala nang bumibisita sayo.  
Wala nang pumupunta sayo.  
And sometimes,  
your health will deteriorate.  
Nakakasakit ka.  
This is  
a reality of life.  
These things happen  
not only to bad people  
but even to good people.  
It happens to us.  
So what is the point?  
When these things begin to happen,  
what should we do?  
Well,  
the lesson is this.  
You should trust  
You should trust  
in the Lord  
with all your heart.  
Okay?  
And lean not  
on your own understanding.  
In all your ways,  
acknowledge God.  
And He will  
direct your path.  
Proverbs yan.  
And that is one of my favorite  
verse also.  
Trust in the Lord  
with all your heart.  
And do not lean  
on your own understanding.  
In all your ways,  
whatever you do,  
acknowledge God.  
And He will  
direct your path.  
Minsan, yung verse na yan

nasa isip lang natin.  
Memorize natin.  
Kaya tinawag natin,  
memory verse.  
Nasa isip.  
Pero hindi pa yan  
experience  
ng buhay natin.  
It is not yet  
a revelation to us  
because we have not yet  
tasted it  
when it comes to us.  
Anong madali sabihin?  
Trust in the Lord, di ba?  
Madali sabihin yan  
pag marami kang pera  
sa bangko.  
And you're  
healthy  
and you have friends  
around you.  
It's so easy to say,  
you trust in the Lord.  
Trust in the Lord.  
What if these things  
are taken away from you?  
Kagaya ni Elijah.  
So, titignan natin  
how Elijah  
trusted in God  
and leaned not  
on his own understanding  
but acknowledge God.  
And we will see that  
today in the story.  
So, when the brook dried up,  
yung natuyo na yung ilog nayon,  
God said to him,  
okay Elijah,  
tapos ka na dito.  
But the famine  
and the drought  
is becoming severe  
in this land.  
Now, I want you  
I want you  
to go  
out of  
this place.  
I would like you  
to go  
into Sidon.  
It's  
Gentile territory.  
Now, Elijah  
Elijah always stay  
in Israel.  
Amen?  
He's comfortable  
among his people  
kahit may problema  
basta nandito lang.  
Okay?

It was for the first time  
God said to him,  
get out  
from your country  
and you go to a place  
that is not familiar  
to you.  
I'm going to bring you there.  
When you go there,  
I will send  
a widow  
to provide for you.  
Wow!  
Ano ba itong plano  
ng Diyos?  
Eto na nga,  
hirap na hirap na ako  
dito sa sariling  
bayan ko.  
With people I know,  
culture that I am  
familiar with.  
Now, God is telling him  
to go to a different place  
among people  
you don't know.  
And  
a different culture,  
ibang kultura doon.  
And God said,  
do not worry,  
I will send  
a widow  
to provide for you.  
Widow?  
Alam nyo bang  
ibig sabihin yan?  
In the time of Elijah,  
a widow is someone  
who is nothing.  
Ngayon kasi  
may mga programa na,  
diba?  
May mga programa  
yung gobyerno  
pag talagang  
indigent ka,  
wala kang makain.  
The government  
has programs  
to provide  
for widows,  
for indigents.  
But in the time of Elijah,  
when you become  
a widow,  
you are dependent  
on the good graces  
of your relatives.  
Mabuti sana  
kung mayayaman  
yung mga kamag-anak mo,  
they can provide for you.  
But if you have

no relatives like that,  
your relatives  
will not help you.  
A widow,  
basically,  
is someone  
who has  
literally nothing at all.  
At ito  
ang gagamitin  
ng Diyos.  
God is going to send  
a widow  
to help the prophet.  
Kung ako sa Elijah,  
isipin ko,  
Lord,  
ano ba naman  
tong plano mo?  
Magpapadala ka  
ng tao  
para mag-provide  
sa akin.  
Yung ipapadala mo,  
mahirap pa kayo  
sa akin.  
But nevertheless,  
Elijah obeyed God.  
You see, this is  
what it means  
when you trust in God.  
Amen?  
You just  
obey.  
And so Elijah  
went out  
of that place.  
He now entered  
a territory  
unknown to him.  
He was joining  
a people  
na hindi niya kilala.  
And true enough,  
when he got there,  
nung pagdating niya  
sa lugar ngayon,  
he met this widow.  
Kita niya kagat  
yung widow na to.  
And the widow  
recognized him  
as the prophet.  
Bakit?  
Kinakausap din  
ng Diyos yung widow.  
Maybe God was telling  
the widow,  
do not worry.  
Siguro nagdadasal din  
yung widow.  
Wala na kaming pagkain.  
At sabi ng Diyos,  
siguro sa widow,

magpapadala ako  
ng propeta para sayo.  
And so the widow  
saw the prophet  
and they  
meet for the first time.  
And the prophet,  
sabi ni Elijah,  
prophet Elijah  
to the widow,  
sabi niya,  
give me water.  
Now,  
sa atin ngayon,  
madali lang yan.  
Pag may humingi  
ng tubig,  
sa atin,  
madali.  
Okay?  
O kuha ka lang dun sa  
dispenser,  
may tubig na.  
Okay?  
But think of this land  
who is in a drought  
for many years.  
Water is very scarce.  
And when  
mahirap na yung tubig,  
pahirapan na yung  
pagkuhan ng tubig,  
hindi ka basta-basta  
makakahingi ng tubig.  
But Elijah,  
when he met this widow,  
the first thing he said,  
get me  
a cup  
of water.  
And what did the widow do?  
The widow  
complied.  
Respeto yan.  
He knows  
that the person  
he's talking to  
is a prophet.  
Remember what  
the scripture says,  
even if you give  
a cup of water  
to a prophet,  
you will not lose  
the reward.  
You will be rewarded  
by God.  
So the widow was aware  
of this.  
So nung nag-request  
si Elijah,  
sabi niya,  
bigyan mo ng tubig,  
the widow complied,



yes sir,  
I'm going to get you  
a water,  
kahit mahirap.  
Pero itong sabi ni Elijah.  
So,  
pakigawa mo na rin  
ako ng cake  
no?  
Agrabe.  
Demanding naman tong  
propeta na to.  
With a glass of water,  
pakiluto mo ako  
ng cake.  
Get me a cup  
of cake.  
And dito na  
nagreklamo yung widow.  
Sabi ng widow,  
sir,  
yung tubig nga,  
mahirap na eh.  
What you are  
requesting of me  
is something that is  
very close  
to impossible.  
I have nothing left  
except for a  
jar of flour  
and oil.  
Yun na lang yung natira.  
Sa buong mundong ito,  
eto na lang  
ang natira sa akin.  
A jar of flour  
and  
oil.  
And this is what I'm going  
to do with this.  
With the little resources  
that I have,  
I am going  
to cook  
and make bread  
for me  
and for my son.  
May anak pa siya.  
Mahirap na nga yung buhay  
ng balo.  
May anak pa.  
So,  
sabi niya,  
I cannot make cake  
for you.  
The only thing I have left  
is for me  
and for my child.  
I'm going to cook it  
and after we cook it,  
we eat it,  
then we die.  
Handa na kaming

mamamatay ng anak ko.  
Ito na yung last namin.  
Pero,  
ang ganda ng sagot  
ng propeta sa kanya.  
Itong sabi ng propeta,  
Sige, sige.  
Gawin mo yung  
kailangan mong gawin.  
Pero, unahin mo ako.  
Ay, yabang, di ba?  
O,  
eh kung sa inyo yan,  
baka nasampal mo na  
yung propeta na yan.  
So, sabi ng propeta,  
Sige, sige, sige.  
Gawin mo.  
Ang dapat mong gawin.  
You bake  
bread for you,  
for yourself,  
and for your son.  
But,  
please,  
make my cake first.  
Unahin mo ako.  
And what did the widow do?  
The widow obeyed.  
The widow obeyed.  
Elijah,  
a desperate person,  
who has nothing anymore.  
Wala na.  
Wala nang natira kay Elijah.  
And the help that God sent  
was a widow  
who was also close to nothing.  
Walang wala na rin.  
Itong dalawang tao,  
pinagtagpo ng Diyos,  
parehong walang wala.  
You know, sometimes,  
in difficult times in our lives,  
you have to be sensitive  
to the people that God  
is sending to you.  
Kasi, minsan,  
kung wala tayong pera, di ba?  
Iniisip mo yung kamag-anak mong mayaman  
tutulong sa'yo.  
Walang wala ka na talaga,  
may mga needs ka,  
iniisip mo yung kabrader mo sa church,  
dati namang tumutulong to,  
pupunta to dito, tutulong ako.  
But there are days,  
they will not help you.  
And what will God send to you?  
God will send to you people  
who cannot help you in your mind.  
That's why do not lean  
on your own understanding.  
Paano makatulong to?

Paano makatulong to?  
Mahirap din to.  
Paano makatulong to?  
Wala rin magawa to.  
But God sent that person to you.  
Amen?  
Do not lean on your own understanding.  
Minsan, ginagamit natin yung logic eh.  
Ako wala, siya meron.  
Pag nagtagpo kami, magkakaroon ako.  
That's logic.  
That's the world's logic.  
But God's logic is different.  
Divine logic or theological.  
Divine logic says,  
okay, wala ka?  
O, papadala ako ng taong wala rin,  
magkakaroon kayo ng marami.  
That's why don't rely  
on your own understanding  
because that is a worldly understanding.  
God's word cannot be computed  
by worldly logic.  
Walang wala ka na,  
magbibigay ka pa.  
Paano yan?  
And so the widow complied.  
The widow took that last jar of flour  
and that oil, glass of oil,  
and she cooked their last meal.  
Pero inuna niya talaga yung propeta.  
She baked cake for the prophet  
and gave the prophet the water.  
Kumain muna si Elijah.  
Sarap na sarap siya  
habang nanonood yung anak ng widow  
tsaka yung widow kumakain siya.  
Sarap na sarap siya sa pagkain  
at uminom ng tubig.  
Nung natapos na siya,  
kumain na rin yung mag-ina,  
the widow and the child.  
And starting that day,  
the scripture says,  
the jar of flour and the oil  
did not run out.  
Every day there was food.  
Why?  
Why?  
Because they trusted in God.  
Yun lang.  
Magic ba yung lalagyan ng flour?  
Hindi po.  
Because they trusted in God,  
they made a choice to trust God  
at the very end,  
walang wala ka na,  
then that's the time  
you trust God fully in your heart.  
That's the lesson.  
And they discovered something  
which is very profound,  
very deep,  
that all of us should learn.

Ito yung tinuturo ni  
Pope John Paul II.  
Sinabi niya,  
the law of the gift.  
What is the law of the gift?  
Your being increases  
in the measure that you give it away.  
Amen?  
Your being,  
it increases  
in the measure  
that you give it away.  
Anong sinasabi ni Jesus dito?  
Anyone  
who would save his life  
will lose it.  
But anyone who would lose his life  
for my sake  
will have life.  
Yan ang ibig sabihin.  
That's the law of the gift.  
And for the first time,  
Elijah and the widow  
experienced that.  
Bakit?  
Because they were tested  
in that area of trust  
and they did not fail  
to trust in God.  
Hindi sila nag-fail.  
They trusted in God.  
Even though walang wala na,  
binigay ng widow,  
inuna niya yung Diyos,  
inuna niya yung prophet,  
and the flour,  
the jar of flour,  
and they all did not run out  
for how many months or years  
hindi sila naubusan ng pagkain.  
That's the lesson today.  
We have to trust God  
with all our heart.  
Especially when  
the time of famine comes.  
Yung psalm reading natin today,  
sabi niya,  
Lord, even when I am old and grey,  
you know,  
sa ating tumatanda,  
minsan iniisip natin,  
papano na lang ako pagtumanda?  
Who will take care of me?  
What will happen to me?  
That's the tendency ng tao sa mundo natin.  
Pag-ipon, mag-ipon, mag-ipon.  
We hoard things  
for ourselves.  
At sinasabi natin,  
para pag tumanda ako,  
hindi ko kailangan ng tulong  
meron ako.  
Hindi masama yung nag-iipon ka.  
But do not put your

whole trust  
and security  
on the things that you accumulate.  
Hoarding, mag-hoard.  
Minsan nakakalimutan na natin mag-share,  
we forget to be generous  
because we become so insecure  
about our future.  
Take a look at this widow.  
Take a look at this prophet.  
They both obeyed God  
and they practiced generosity.  
They give.  
When you trust God,  
you're going to give of yourself.  
You're going to give your heart to God  
and know that God is able to take care  
of whatever it is that you entrust to Him.  
Papano ka?  
Kawawa ka naman.  
You know?  
Papano ka? Kawawa ka naman.  
Alam mo, pag umakyat tayo sa langit  
at doon ka na nakatira  
malapit sa bahay ni Jesus,  
hindi ka talaga kawawa.  
Amen?  
Minsan naisip natin yung dito sa mundo lang.  
Okay?  
Don't think of that.  
You listen to what God is telling you.  
Don't think of that.  
God is telling you  
don't be afraid for your future.  
God has your future in mind already.  
Amen?  
Nasa isip na ng Diyos yung future mo.  
May nagsasabi sa akin,  
Bishop, papano pag tumanda ka?  
Bishop, pano pag hindi ka na Bishop?  
What will happen to you?  
Well, I really don't know.  
But one thing I do know,  
my God already knows my future.  
He has already secured it for me.  
Amen?  
Amen?  
Ito lang yung alam ko.  
When I finally come to the end of my life,  
I'm going to go home to Him.  
And when I go home to be with the Lord,  
I'm sure I'm not going to have problems.  
Minsan kasi iniisip natin,  
papano pag naospital ka?  
Papano pag ganito?  
Yung iniisip mo, yung buhay mo rin sa mundo,  
sabi ko, saglit lang yan.  
When my time comes,  
sabi ko sa pamilya ko,  
don't spend so much for me.  
Pag-oras ko na, oras ko na.  
Wag kayong gumastos masyado sa ospital.  
Pag-oras na pag-oras ko na,  
take me home, Lord.



People can only see what is in the outside.  
But do you know that God has eyes for you also?  
Ibang mata ng Diyos.  
The eyes of God can see what is in the inside.  
Don't do things for the eyes of men.  
Do things for the eyes of God.  
Gumawa ka ng bagay para sa mata ng Diyos.  
Because when God looks at you,  
He looks at your heart.  
That's why nung dumaan yung widow, yung balo.  
Walang wala na.  
Zero na.  
Except for two copper coins.  
Maliliit na coins yan.  
Alam niyo yung copper?  
Pag hinulog mo sa simento, hindi tumutunog yan.  
Parang plastic lang yan.  
That widow came  
to that offering bin  
and placed everything she had.  
Nung binigay niya, wala na talagang natira para sa kanya.  
Nung hinulog niya, hindi nga tumunog.  
It did not even make a sound.  
But Jesus was the only one who saw her.  
Kita siya ni Jesus.  
Ibang mata ng Diyos.  
Ibang mata ng tao.  
Huwag tayo mabuhay para sa mata ng tao.  
Sabi nga nila, if you're going to help someone,  
do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing.  
Keep it in secret.  
Because everything we keep in secret,  
God can see the details of what you're doing.  
He can see your heart.  
Anong hinahanap ng Diyos sa puso mo pag nagbibigay ka?  
Love.  
Pag-ibig at pagmamahal.  
Yun ang hinahanap.  
He does not look at the value of the things you're giving.  
Some people say that's generosity.  
Generosity is measured by how much you have given.  
No!  
Generosity is measured by what is left to you after you have given.  
Nung nagbibigay ka, ilan ang natira sayo?  
Masayang iyabang natin minsan eh.  
Bibigay tayo ng sapatos, bago.  
Oh, sayo na to.  
Bigay ko sayo.  
Bakit? Hindi nagkasya sa akin eh.  
Eh kung kumasya yun, di saan i-bibigay yun.  
Oh, ito, ito.  
Ito, ito, pantalon.  
Ito, damit. Oh, gamitin mo. Bakit?  
Luma na yan. Meron akong bago eh.  
When you give something you don't need and you don't use anymore,  
you are not actually practicing generosity.  
Nagtatapon ka lang ng basura in a nice way.  
Amen?  
Amen.  
Nagtatapon ka lang ng basura in a nice way.  
Ito, pantalon ko, hindi nakakasya. Oh, sayo na.  
That's not generosity.  
You are throwing away garbage which you do not need anymore.  
God wants us to practice true generosity.

Yung tipong pagbigay mo, mararamdaman mo talagang may nawala sa'yo.  
Yan ang tunay na pagbibigay.  
When you give out something and you know something was lost,  
dahil binigay mo, may nawala sa'yo.  
May value.  
Pero dahil sa pagmamahal at pag-ibig mo, binigay mo pa rin.  
That is now. Yan ang gusto ng Diyos ipractice natin.  
Hindi yung nagtatapon ka ng basura.  
Naalala ko yung meron tayong relief operation.  
Meron isang lugar doon sa amin. Binaha sila.  
Pumunta yung pare doon.  
Bit-bit yung mga old clothes para ipamimigay doon sa mga napektuhan ng bagyo.  
Nung binuksan na nila, sabi niya, kuha kayo, kuha kayo.  
Kumuha yung mga tao.  
Tapos yung pare, tumalikod.  
Pagbalik niya, nakabarong na lahat.  
Yung dinonate, barong.  
Yung mga babae, nakagaon.  
Sabi, ano nangyari? May party ba?  
Ayun pala yung dinonate, barong tsaka gaon.  
Huwag naman ganyan, diba?  
Bakit mo sinasabi yan, father? Malapit na kasing Christmas, eh.  
Diba? Malapit na yung Christmas.  
Bibigyan ko kayo ng tip, papano talaga magiging generous.  
Bumili kayo ng Bible.  
Aklanon Bible.  
At irigalo nyo. Masakit-sakit yan.  
Dahil 200 pesos yung isa.  
Lalabas talaga yung 200 sa'yo, ha?  
O.  
Bumili ka ng aklanon Bible.  
There are, how many thousands of people in Indonesia?  
In Kalibo?  
Ilang tao sa Kalibo?  
300,000.  
300,000?  
300,000 ang tao sa Kalibo.  
Meron tayong aklanon Bible na?  
3,000.  
We have 3,000 aklanon Bible. There are 300,000 people in Kalibo.  
Now, itong 3,000 na aklanon Bible, hanggang ngayon,  
hindi pa rin maubos na ibenta.  
Walang intresado magbigay. Walang intresado bumili.  
Kata yung seryos na sabi ko, okay.  
Christmas, mamimigay tayo.  
Mabibless tayo. Diba?  
Okay.  
Wag mo nang ligay masyado yung barong mo.  
Okay? Lalo na dun sa mga baryo.  
Hindi naman nagbabarong ang mga yon, eh.  
Pag binigyan mo ng barong yan, baka mainsulto pa yan.  
Lalagyan nila ng punit sa likod.  
Okay?  
Why don't you get a copy of a Bible, aklanon Bible,  
bumili ka ng aklanon Bible,  
ibalot mo into a gift wrap, i-wrap mo,  
and give it to someone that is close to your heart.  
What could be the best gift or better gift than the Word of God?  
Amen?  
Bigay mo yung salita ng Diyos.  
Amen?  
Bigay mo yung salita ng Diyos.  
Father Nuan, ilan pa yung Bible natin?  
Ilan yung Bible natin dyan?



Yung kukuni natin.  
200 lang yung inallocate sa atin na Bible.  
If you're going to practice generosity,  
my dear brothers and sisters,  
yung 200 Bibles na yan, kulang yan.  
Sa totoo lang, kulang.  
So mamayang gabi, ilista nyo na kung sino ang gusto mong bigyan  
ng aklanon Bible.  
Lista mo na.  
200 yung isa. 200 lang naman yan.  
Okay?  
Huwag ka muna magpipizza.  
Ilang linggo, huwag kang kakain ng pizza.  
Bili mo ng Bible.  
And on Christmas Day, you give that away.  
The measure,  
your being increases in the measure that you are giving it away.  
Okay?  
So yung widow makita natin,  
konti lang yung binigay niya pero walang natira sa kanya.  
And for God, that is rich generosity.  
We don't measure generosity with what we are giving away.  
We measure generosity in what is left to us after we have given.  
Magkano at ilan ang tira sa atin nung nagbigay tayo.  
Amen?  
Let's all stand.  
Thank you for watching!