

# Heart's Sacrifice

by Charles E. Cowman

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*The heart's sacrifice is the cost of following Christ and making great achievements, and it is the source of life and color.*

**Scripture:** Matthew 16:24, John 12:24, Romans 12:1, Galatians 2:20, Philippians 3:7

**Topics:** "Sacrificial Love", "Christian Surrender"

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## Description

Charles E. Cowman preaches about the sacrificial love and surrender to Christ, inspired by the life of blind preacher George Matheson and the legendary artist who found a unique red color through a wound over his heart. The sermon emphasizes the concept of giving up worldly gains for the sake of Christ, surrendering our lives completely to Him, and finding true richness, brightness, and endless life in His love and sacrifice.

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## Transcript

"But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ" (Phil. 3:7).

When they buried the blind preacher, George Matheson, they lined his grave with red roses in memory of his love-life of sacrifice. And it was this man, so beautifully and significantly honored, who wrote,

"O Love that wilt not let me go,

I rest my weary soul in Thee,

I give Thee back the life I owe,

That in thine ocean depths its flow

May richer, fuller be.

"O Light that followest all my way,

I yield my flickering torch to Thee,

My heart restores its borrowed ray,

That in Thy sunshine's blaze its day

May brighter, fairer be.

"O Joy that seekest me through pain,

I cannot close my heart to Thee,

I trace the rainbow through the rain,

And feel the promise is not vain,

That morn shalt tearless be.

"O Cross that liftest up my head,

I dare not ask to fly from Thee,

I lay in dust life's glory dead,

And from the ground there blossoms red,

Life that shall endless be."

There is a legend of an artist who had found the secret of a wonderful red which no other artist could imitate. The secret of his color died with him. But after his death an old wound was discovered over his heart. This revealed the source of the matchless hue in his pictures. The legend teaches that no great achievement can be made, no lofty attainment reached, nothing of much value to the world done, save at the cost of heart's blood.

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