

"I done it for love!" - Thoughts to Ponder

- "For all things come from you [Lord], and of your own have we given you." (I Chronicles 29:14b ESV)
 - a. Some folks think they have only themselves to thank for everything they have. Do you?
 - b. Recall an incident that caused you to thank God for the gift of life.
 - c. Are you guilty of "guzzling life down and rushing forward as if there were no limits on your tomorrows?"
- 2. "Both riches and honor come from you . . . And now we thank you, our God, and praise your glorious name . . . offering freely and joyously to you." (I Chronicles 29:12a,13a,17b ESV)
 - a. Because we are God-made, humility, not pride, should be the hallmark of our every thought and action. Are you a humble person? Would others say you are humble?
 - b. "Putting a blanket on a mule doesn't make it a racehorse!" What does that statement mean to you?
- 3. "Freely you have received, freely give." (Matthew 10:8b NIV)
 - a. Grateful hearts are always generous. Recall the most recent time that truth has been evident in your actions.
 - b. How have you shown that you are grateful for all that the Lord has done and is doing through this parish?
 - c. Why do you think we do not "take up a collection" during our worship services?

4. I often wonder if my sacrifices for Christ in response to His sacrifices for me have really been more than well-intentioned inconveniences. Have you ever wondered about this?

