

## West Valley Church of Christ - May 14, 2023

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Sunday Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday Devotional: 6:30 p.m.

### GOD GIVES US MORE THAN WE DESERVE



Do you remember the show Let's Make a Deal hosted by Monty Hall? The people dressed up like pickles and dolls and other crazy things in hopes of making a deal. The host would come along and probably he'd pick a contestant and then the dealing would begin. The show played into our tendency toward materialism and our desire to deal our way to something better. All the contestants hoped to avoid making that terrible decision by which they'd lose out on the big deal. The show was entertaining, but if we take the thought process behind the show and bring it over into the church and act like God is some kind of Monty Hall Deal Maker, then we are wrong! If we view God as throwing out offers and waiting for us to counter His offer, we are way off base on who God is. If we think something along these lines – God, I'll give you some of our Sunday mornings, but I'm expecting some tangible blessings pretty quick or I may quit worshipping, praying, and giving. That is wrong thinking! There is something ugly in the thought process that thinks God owes us anything at all, especially grace. However, what a blessing it is to know God always gives us more than we deserve!

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