

DuPre Offering APRIL 28

## Divine Overflow

### I. The Challenge of a Generous Optimistic Heart!

Current Crises, Global Terrorism, Violence, Border Crisis, Corruption at the State Level, Conflicting Accusations and sense of Impending Doom. Abortion 61 million since Roe v Wade

Bob Jones — The News terrorizes my people

60's — Nuclear War, Battle for Civil Rights, Cities in Flames, The Silent Spring, The Population Bomb, ... etc.

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John 10:9 I am **the door**. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will **go in** and **out** and find pasture. [ SLIDE 1]

**We go IN so that we can go OUT and find Life.**

10a The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. [ SLIDE 2]

10b I came that they **may have life** and have it **abundantly**.

### II. The Life of the Trinity!

#### A. Infinite Perfect Abundance of Love — Endless Self-Emptying Generosity

The Father Loves the Son

The Son Loves the Father

The Holy Spirit is Loved and Loves them Both

It's all RELATIONSHIP

John 3:16 For God so loved the world, that **he gave** his only Son,.. 17...in order that the world might be saved through him.

35 The Father loves the Son and **has given all things** into his hand.

The Father is united with the Son.

The SON is GIFT and GIVER

John 10:28 I **give them eternal life**, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of **my hand**. 29 My Father, who has **given them to me**, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the **Father's hand**.

John 13:3 Jesus, knowing that the **Father had given all things** into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God, 4 rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist.

God is in the SERVING — helping others...

## LOVE overflows into JOY

### B. Fullness of Joy (even in the context of trouble) in Heaven

Psalms 16:1 **Preserve** me, O God, for in you I take **refuge**.

2 I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord;  
I have no good apart from you."

4 The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply; ...

7 **I bless the LORD** who gives me counsel;  
in the night also my heart instructs me.

8 I have **set the LORD always** before me;  
because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

9 **Therefore my heart is glad**, and my whole being **rejoices**;  
my flesh also dwells secure.

10 For you will not abandon my soul ...

11 You **make known to me the path of life**; [ SLIDE 3 ]  
in your **presence there is fullness of joy**;  
at your right hand are **pleasures** forevermore.

NET – I experience **absolute joy** in your presence;  
you always **give me sheer** delight.

## C. FULLNESS of JOY in OUR HEARTS

- 1 John 1:1 That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we looked upon and have touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— 2 the life was made manifest, and we have seen it, and testify to it and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was made manifest to us— [ SLIDE 4]
- 3 that which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that **you too may have fellowship with us**; and indeed **our fellowship** is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ.
- 4 And we are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

## II. LOVE JOY and HOPE in our HOMES & LIVES

Matt. 10:40 “Whoever **receives you** receives **me**, and whoever receives me receives **him who sent me**.

By **incarnation**, He IS IN with US!

Mark 9:37 “Whoever **receives** one such **child in my name** receives **me**, and whoever receives me, receives not me but **him who sent me**.”

John 15:9 **As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you**. Abide in my love. [ SLIDE 5]

John 13:34 A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just **as I have loved you**, you also are to **love one another**.

John 14:20 In that day you will know that **I am in my Father**, and **you in me**, and **I in you**.

1 John 4:7 Beloved, let us **love one another**, for love is **from God**, and whoever loves has been born of God and **knows** God. 8

Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love.

This is the overflow of ETERNAL LIFE!

THE GENEROUS GIVING of THAT WHICH HAS BEEN GIVEN

**LOVE is the DOOR into Divine Life**

## **V. PROMISES and PARTICIPATION**

2Pet. 1:3 His divine power has **granted to us all things** that pertain to life and godliness, through the **knowledge** of him who called us to his own glory and excellence, **[ slide 6 ]**

4 by which **he has granted to us** his **precious** and **very great promises**, so that **through them** you may **become partakers of the divine nature**, having **escaped** from the **corruption that is in the world** because of **sinful desire**.

UNCREATED LOVE OVERFLOW!!

**Holy Spirit!**