

God Series
“God Gives”

For the week beginning 2.20.12

The 2012 Grammy Awards show was a couple of weeks ago. We remember how this year’s broadcast was overshadowed by the death of superstar Whitney Houston. Throughout the evening, music’s biggest stars offered tributes to Houston’s memory and celebrated the victories of today’s big stars like Adele and the Foo Fighters. Yet, there was a “Story” in the crowd that few people knew about.

A songwriter named Laura Story won the 2012 Grammy for *Best Contemporary Christian Music Song*. You might not recognize Laura’s name, but you’ve heard of her work. Laura was the song writer behind the Chris Tomlin song, “Indescribable;” a song you’ve heard at CedarCreek during this “God” series. This year, Laura won the Grammy Award for her song, “Blessings.” If you listen to KLOVE or any other Christian station, you’ve heard this song, or perhaps you’ve heard it sung here at the ‘Creek. In this song, Laura asks God some provocative questions, mainly because of the journey she has taken.

Laura married Martin, her high school sweetheart. In 2006, Martin was diagnosed with a brain tumor while they were still newlyweds. Faced with a terrifying situation, Laura fought fear and loneliness as she sat in a hospital room watching machines keep her husband alive. Years later, Martin is doing better, but has not been completely healed, and Laura admits that it is hard to see how God is all-powerful and all-loving in a situation where hardship is a fact of life. But, Laura also realizes the “blessing in disguise” that has come as a result. With the success of her album, “Blessings,” Laura is traveling around the United States, Europe and South America and says she has a voice that she didn’t have before—but that doesn’t mean that it’s been easy for her. *“It hasn’t been easy,”* shares Laura. *“Everyone wants to be a mature and equipped (Christ) follower, but would I have signed up had I known what it would take? God has grown us up, deepened our faith, our awareness of our great need for Him as a savior, daily. We knew it before, but we didn’t see it. This is a good place to be.”*

During this weekend’s service, you watched the video of a mother of a one-year-old recount the blessings of her child’s life—a life that will likely end in the near future. How could she possibly see the blessings in such a heart-wrenching situation? Yet, she does see the blessings. Many of you have told us about how God has blessed your life even though your heart was broken or you lost something precious. Could it be that what we think of as “bad,” God knows is for our ultimate “good?” So, could your unemployment be a gift? Yes, it *could*. Could choosing to struggle through overcoming an addiction be a gift? Yes, it *could*. Could an illness be a gift? Yes, it *could*. This week is a great opportunity for each of us to reconsider what God gives to each one of us every day.

**“What if Your blessings come
through raindrops?
What if your healing comes
through tears?
What if a thousand sleepless
nights are what it takes to
know you’re near?
What if the trials of this life
are your mercies in disguise?”**

**IN THIS WEEK’S STUDY WE WILL EXAMINE THE LAVISH GIFTS
THAT GOD GIVES TO EACH ONE OF US THAT TRUSTS IN HIM.**

Monday – God Gave Us Christ

Big Point: God didn't have to give us ANYTHING, but God gave us EVERYTHING when He sent Jesus to die on the cross for our sins.

Valentine's Day was last week. It's a holiday that encourages us to express our love for those who are special to us. Of course, we all know that expressing our love toward others should not be limited to a twenty-four hour period and an overpriced Hallmark card. Love is a tremendous gift that cannot—should not—be contained. It must overflow! As they say, "Love is the gift that keeps on giving!"

God is the Creator of love and the Bible tells us that God IS love. Of course, the Bible tells us over and over again that God loves us. Unfortunately, most of us don't really grasp what it means for God to love us. It's shameful for us to admit, that too often, God's love for us isn't enough. We say, "Yes, God loves me—but what about my health? What's God going to do about my health?" Others say, "Yes, God loves me, but what about my house payment? Why doesn't God send me the money I need for that?"

Ann Voscamp is the author of the best-selling book, *One Thousand Gifts*, and she writes about how we underestimate the greatest gift God has given to us: "He gave us Jesus! Jesus! Gave him up for us all. If we have only one memory, isn't this one enough? Why is this the memory I most often take for granted? He cut open the flesh of the God-Man and let the blood flow. He washed our grime with the bloody grace. He drove the iron ore through His own vein. Doesn't that memory alone suffice? Need there be anything more? If God didn't withhold from us His very own Son, will God withhold anything we need?"

READ & THINK...Find Answers in the Bible

We've focused on Romans 8:28 for a few weeks, but there are some other verses that also give us great encouragement because they expand upon the lavishness of God's great love for us. Read Romans 8:31-32 and reflect on the question that the Apostle Paul asks us. If God was willing to give up His Son for you, then what does that say about how God will handle the other details of your life?

Romans 8:31-32 (New Living Translation)

³¹ ...If God is for us, who can ever be against us? ³² Since he did not spare even his own Son but gave him up for us all, won't he also give us everything else?

Answer:

John 3:16 is another verse we've been focusing on lately. This verse captures the essence of God's greatest gift to humanity. Take a moment and attempt to describe the kind of love that God must have for us to give us salvation through Christ.

John 3:16 (New Living Translation)

¹⁶ "For God loved the world so much that he gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life."

Answer:

Gifts are something that are given without the expectation of payment in return. Why did God give us salvation? Even though it cost Christ his life, God didn't pass along the cost to us. Why not?

Ephesians 2:8-9 (New Living Translation)

⁸ God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God. ⁹ Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it.

Answer:

LIVE...What will you do now?

How has God's gift of grace—given through the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ—enriched and/or blessed your life?

For some of you, that last question might have been difficult to answer. You feel pressured by some tough circumstances in your life and so it is tough to really connect with the magnitude of God's gift of salvation. List some of the circumstances that are getting in the way of being truly grateful for your salvation:

Now, re-read Romans 8:31-32 and fill in the space provided on the following:
"If God loves me enough to send Christ to die for my sins, then I can trust that God will _____ in my current circumstance."

No one likes being taken for granted—even God. Can you relate to Ann Voscamp's words when she talks about God's free gift of salvation: "Why is this the memory I most often take for granted?" If we are so grateful for God's free gift of grace, then why don't our lives reflect more gratitude? How can your life reflect more gratitude for God's most precious gift to you?

PRAY...God, What do you want me to know & do?

We hope that by the end of today's lesson you were filled with a tremendous sense of gratitude for what God sent Jesus to earth to do on your behalf. We have all taken our salvation for granted—every one of us. But, today we get the chance to individually thank God for the free gift of salvation and reflect upon God's greatest gift of all. Take time today to talk with God about how your salvation has changed your life, and most of all, thank Him for giving you such a great gift!

Reminder: You'll Find the Daily Bible Reading commentary for the Daily Bible Reading Plan by going to www.livingitout.tv and clicking on the appropriate commentary links that precede the reading for a particular day. The Daily Bible Reading will alternate from Old Testament to New Testament throughout 2012.

TUESDAY – God Gives us Creation as a Blessing

Big Point: *Everything you see in nature is a gift from God that proclaims the truth of who He is.*

Take a moment and look out the window if you can. Ignore the buildings, cars, poles and anything else man-made. Just take a few moments and look at the natural world. Try to focus on something specific—a cloud, a tree or the ground. What do you see? Are you amazed by it or unimpressed?

Today we are going to look at Psalm 19:1-2. The first part of that verse says that the “heavens proclaim the glory of God.” Everything you see in creation—trees, grass, flowers, snow, hurricanes, tornadoes, etc—they all testify to God’s power. This means that when you aren’t sure about whether or not God’s got His eye on the ball, you can look at the world around you for the answer—YES!

In his book, More than Meets the Eye, author, physician and futurist Dr. Richard Swenson examines creation and how the world around us testifies to the greatness and preciseness of a holy God. He uses elements of nature and our universe to demonstrate that a God who is precise in how He created the world is more than capable of being able to control the circumstances of our lives.

Do you ever think of God as “precise?” Here are some striking facts about our world:

- Every second, four million tons of the sun is being converted from mass to energy. We only receive 1/1,000,000,000 of that energy—and yet, that is how we live. It is exactly the amount that we need. Any closer to the sun, we would be baked. Any farther from the sun and we would be in an ice age.*
- Every cell in our body has a trillion atoms. We have between 10-100 trillion atoms in the human body and we make over a trillion cells every day. Who created our body to continuously replenish itself with just the right amount of cells going to the right places each day? God.*

READ & THINK...Find Answers in the Bible

Think about this—God didn’t have to create the world with intricate flowers, strange and unique looking fish, majestic mountain tops or even clear blue water. God could have just created a bland, colorless, yet functional world—but He didn’t. Read Psalm 19:1-2. What does the world around us tell us about God’s character?

Psalm 19:1-2 (New Living Translation)

¹ *The heavens proclaim the glory of God.*

The skies display his craftsmanship.

² *Day after day they continue to speak;
night after night they make him known.*

Answer:

Focus in on Psalm 19:2. How does our natural world speak to us each day about God’s glory?

Answer:

LIVE...What will you do now?

Have you ever taken a picture of a beautiful sunrise or sunset? Perhaps you enjoy watching lightning storms or hearing the roll of thunder. What is your favorite thing in nature? Why?

Why do you think God made thousands of different species of birds, fish, trees, and flowers with so many different colors? If you have children, discuss this with them and see what they say.

Where is the most spectacular natural setting you've visited or seen in a photo? How did you feel as you looked at it? Did you have any heightened sense of God? Describe your experiences.

Have you ever thought about why God created different seasons in some areas of the world, but allows other areas to be constantly warm or constantly cold? How can the fact that God can manage all of these constant variables and keep them under His control give you encouragement in your life today?

Reflect on this...

God gives us the natural world as an encouraging reminder of His character. The band, Gungor, released the song, "Beautiful Things" and it's about how God constantly renews the earth—and us.

In what are of your life do you need to trust to God for "renewal?"

PRAY...God, What do you want me to know & do?

As you are going through your day, take some time to focus on the world around you. Pay attention to everything that God created and allow those things to enlarge your view of God. Ask God to remind you of His sovereignty and power whenever you gaze upon trees or are sitting on a beach (lucky!).

Reminder: You'll find the Daily Bible Reading commentary for Exodus 19-24 at www.livingitout.tv and click on the commentary links.

WEDNESDAY — God Gives Blessings in Disguise

Big Point: *If you call yourself a Christ-follower, always seek to find the blessing in disguise when tragedy strikes.*

There is nothing that brings more joy to people than the birth of a child. There is so much anticipation for that very special day—after all, you’ve got some time to think about things, all of nine months. No one knows that better than the mother. For most expectant parents, when the bundle of joy is due to arrive, there are so many emotions and it’s as if you can almost hear a song playing in the background that hits a peaceful note once the baby is delivered safely to the parents’ arms.

Denise West knows that feeling all too well. You probably heard Denise’s testimony during Kyle’s weekend message about the delivery of her beautiful daughter Sophia. The song that played in Denise’s story had a dramatic twist when Sophia was diagnosed with a terminal disease called Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA Type 1). Knowing that Sophia would not be around as a toddler, or to start school literally crushed Denise. Like any parent, Denise wanted to watch her daughter grow to a young lady and experience life to the fullest. But after much prayer and seeking God above all else, Denise has found so many blessings in life after bringing Sophia into this world. It’s likely the song that played in Denise’s story was Laura Story’s song, “Blessings”. Denise likely shed many tears and had quite a few sleepless nights. But through those times, she realized that God is faithful and He was near, that He never left her. Ultimately, Denise realized that Sophia became one of the many blessings in disguise.

All too often, our most immediate reaction and thought process surrounding tragedy and devastation is that we are not blessed. What we don’t realize is God uses that same tragedy and devastation to ultimately bless us and that He remains faithful to us. Our job is to see the blessing(s) in disguise.

READ and THINK...Find Answers in the Bible

In order to recognize the blessings in disguise, we must first understand God’s faithfulness. What does Romans 3:3-5 tell us about how faithful God is.

Romans 3:3-5 (New Living Translation)

³ True, some of them were unfaithful; but just because they were unfaithful, does that mean God will be unfaithful? ⁴ Of course not! Even if everyone else is a liar, God is true. As the Scriptures say about him, “You will be proved right in what you say, and you will win your case in court.” ⁵ “But,” some might say, “our sinfulness serves a good purpose, for it helps people see how righteous God is. Isn’t it unfair, then, for him to punish us?” (This is merely a human point of view.)

Answer:

God certainly challenges us to find blessings when trouble comes our way. What does James 1:2-4 challenge us to do (which is another way to find blessings in disguise)?

James 1:2-4 (New Living Translation)

Dear brothers and sisters, when troubles come your way, consider it an opportunity for great joy. ³ For you know that when your faith is tested, your endurance has a

chance to grow. ⁴ So let it grow, for when your endurance is fully developed, you will be perfect and complete, needing nothing.

Answer:

LIVE...What will you do now?

Let's say that two Christ followers were involved in a tragedy. One survived and the other was killed. Have you ever found yourself saying (or thinking) that the person who survived "was blessed?" Did you ever think when you said that, maybe, the other person wasn't so blessed? After reading the above scriptures, would you say anything different as it relates to who was or was not blessed in this tragedy?

If you had to write a two paragraph essay about what a blessed life looks like, how would you write it? What illustration would you use? Take a moment to write out what a blessed life looks like. We'd love to read your story. Send it to us and we just may feature it in a future Living It Out Bible study subscription.

Email dianap@cedarcreek.tv

Have you ever questioned God's faithfulness? Describe a time when you felt that God was not for you and how you reacted in that situation.

Let's make this personal. What if your blessing comes through rain drops, what if your healing comes through tears, what if a thousand sleepless nights is what it takes to know God is near, what will you do and how will you respond?

Take a moment to write out some of your "blessings in disguise". After writing out your blessings take some time to share these blessings with your family. Maybe organize a "blessings in disguise" dinner this Sunday.

PRAY...God, What do you want me to know & do?

Ask God to help you count it all joy when trouble comes and to live your life recognizing the many blessings in disguise—even in the most tragic circumstances.

Thursday — God Gives You Opportunities

Big Point: *Once we realize that the gifts and abilities that we've been given by God are to be used solely for His benefit to bless others, the desire of our heart becomes God's will and not our own.*

Have you ever found yourself saying, "What on earth am I here for?" That very question became the foundation of Rick Warren's best selling book The Purpose Driven Life. Millions of people desire to know how God has wired them and what they are supposed to do here on earth. The only problem is sometimes we don't like what we hear after we find out what we are here on earth to do. We think we should be doing more, having a more illustrious career, being more popular, well-known, with more status and recognition. We sometimes find ourselves saying, "Why is it that some folks thrive and become successful while others are challenged and wind up becoming a bagger at Kroger?"

*Let's set the record straight—for us to think that because of our faith, God gives more to some than others is a little slippery. Financial and physical blessing is not the best indicator of faith. We should all search our heart and become who God has created us to be and do the things He has called us to do. If God has called you to die for the Gospel, great. If God has called you to be a billionaire and to bless others, great. If God has called you to sell it all and move to the hills of Uganda and translate the Bible, great. If God has called you to flip burgers for the rest of your life to impact the lives of teenagers—never making more than the bills you have to pay—then you sure as heck better do it. It is not for you to decide, but to be faithful with what you have been called to do with the gifts you've been given. And it should be the desire of your heart to please Him above all else—for His will to be done, **not yours!***

Read and Think.... Find Answers in the Bible

Romans 12:3 has a way of busting any kind of bubble that we begin to blow up about ourselves. Fundamentally speaking, we are to base our identity in Christ. What guidelines do Romans 12:3-6 give us with regard to our gifts?

Romans 12:3-6 (New Living Translation)

³ Because of the privilege and authority God has given me, I give each of you this warning: Don't think you are better than you really are. Be honest in your evaluation of yourselves, measuring yourselves by the faith God has given us. ⁴ Just as our bodies have many parts and each part has a special function, ⁵ so it is with Christ's body. We are many parts of one body, and we all belong to each other. ⁶ In his grace, God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well. So if God has given you the ability to prophesy, speak out with as much faith as God has given you.

Answer:

What does God say we must do in Psalms 37:3-5 in order for God to give us the desires of our heart?

Psalm 37:3-5 (New Living Translation) *³ Trust in the LORD and do good; dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture. ⁴ Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart. ⁵ Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him and he will do this.*

Answer:

What does Christ teach us in Luke 22:42 and how does that correlate to our desires and how we are to use them on earth? Whose will shall prevail?

Luke 22:42 (New Living Translation)

“Father, if you are willing, please take this cup of suffering away from me. Yet I want your will to be done, not mine.”

Answer:

LIVE...What will you do now?

God gives us all special gifts. Have you taken the time to determine what your gifts are? If so, outline those special gifts here and jot down the top three ways that you use those gifts here at CedarCreek and beyond our walls. If you do not know your spiritual gifts, complete the spiritual gifts survey by going to cedarcreek.tv, click on “get connected,” then “classes and seminars” and you’ll find where to download the survey to the right of the screen.

	CedarCreek	Beyond our Walls
1. Gift: _____	_____	_____
2. Gift: _____	_____	_____
3. Gift: _____	_____	_____

Do you ever find yourself in conflict with the gifts that God has given you, what God expects of you, and what you most desire to do with your life? If so, describe how you are conflicted.

We realize that conflicts may occur and it may be hard to understand what God’s will is for your life. Describe the times when you have found yourself saying, “Not my will God, but your will be done.”

NOTE: *If you have never had to say that, we guarantee that once you place God’s will as the desire of your heart, you will likely say such a statement.*

PRAY...God, What do you want me to know & do?

Thank God for the gifts that He has given you. Ask for His strength to live the life that He has planned for you, seeking His will above all else. Ask Him to teach you how to make His will the desire of your heart so that you can take advantage of every opportunity that He provides for you to bless others.

FRIDAY — God Gives Us a Plan

Big Point: *You don't have to see the whole picture of your life. Instead, let God make you into how He wants you to be by trusting His plans!*

If you've been following along with the Daily Bible Reading, last week you read about Joseph and his brothers in the book of Genesis. Joseph's brothers sold him into slavery. Joseph was eventually jailed and then, through various circumstances, became the ruler of Egypt. Many years later, Joseph's brothers, not recognizing Joseph for who he was, came to him needing assistance. Joseph revealed himself to his brothers and said, "You intended to harm me, but God intended it all for good. He brought me to this position so I could save the lives of many people." Do you see how Genesis 50:20 is the Romans 8:28 of the Old Testament? Knowing exactly what Joseph's brothers would do, God intended to use it for good. He did so as part of His eternal plan. For His children have "been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will" (Ephesians 1:11).

All I have seen teaches me to trust the creator for all I have not seen.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

We all have a story of our life. We read earlier this week about Denise West's story. The fact is, God has a story and a plan for each one of our lives. Our stories are a part of His greater plan. The reality of it all is that sometimes we probably want to walk "off the set" of our story—and just forget it all. You can see why Joseph would have wanted to walk off the stage of God's story. You can see why Denise wanted to walk off stage. But, they are not walking off stage. They understand God's plan. A plan to prosper them and to give them a future and a hope. The question is, will you walk off stage or trust God's plan?

READ and THINK...Find Answers in the Bible

So often, people quote Romans 8:28 without reading the full breadth of what is meant about how God works things together for the good in our lives. Read the verses in Romans 8 below and see what verse 29 has to say about what God knows about us, what type of standing we have with Him in verse 30, the "Come on don't you get it?" declaration in verse 31, and what we can expect from our lives in verse 32. Summarize what you read in the space below.

Romans 8:28-33 (New Living Translation)

²⁸ And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them. ²⁹ For God knew his people in advance, and he chose them to become like his Son, so that his Son would be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. ³⁰ And having chosen them, he called them to come to him. And having called them, he gave them right standing with himself. And having given them right standing, he gave them his glory.

³¹ What shall we say about such wonderful things as these? If God is for us, who can ever be against us? ³² Since he did not spare even his own Son but gave him up for us all, won't he also give us everything else? ³³ Who dares accuse us whom God has chosen for His own? No one—for God himself has given us right standing with himself.

Answer:

Knowing that we don't know the whole picture of our lives, what does Jeremiah 29:11 promise us that should give us peace to allow God to make us into what He wants us to be?

Jeremiah 29:11 (New Living Translation)

¹¹ For I know the plans I have for you," says the LORD. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope."

Answer:

LIVE...What will you do now?

Write out how you can see God's plans working in your life.

PRAY...God, what do you want me to know and do?

Ask God to help you trust Him that in eternity you'll look back and see, in retrospect, how Romans 8:28 was absolutely true.

Weekend Updates!

- **Interested in getting Baptized:** Back-to-back baptisms will be held at New Community on Sunday, February 26 at 6pm at the West Toledo Campus and Sunday, March 4th at 6pm at the Whitehouse campus. Check out the Around the Creek ("ATC") for baptism class information.
- **Apprentice Conference Series:** Is your life reflective of the spirit of Jesus Christ - that is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control? If not, are you interested in becoming that type of person? If so, The Apprentice Conference Series can help. On Thursday, March 1st from 6:30-9pm and Friday, March 2nd, 9-3pm at the Perrysburg Campus, nationally acclaimed Apprentice Series authors Jimmy Taylor and James Smith will be here to teach us how to develop Christ-Centered character, see God and find balance in our daily life, develop spiritual practices, and build community! The cost is only \$20.00 for both days or \$10.00 for one and includes the book and lunch (if you attend Friday). Childcare is available on Thursday only. Register at www.cedarcreek.tv under the "get connected" tab.
- **Men—Looking for ways to live more Courageously:** Attend the "Courageous" men's event scheduled for Saturday, March 10th from 9:30-1:30 at the South Toledo Campus. The movie "Courageous" will be shown followed by a time of fellowship, discipleship, group discussion and a barbeque lunch. The cost is \$15.00 to attend and you can register for this event by going to cedarcreek.tv and clicking on the "get connected" tab.
- **Life Support's 13-week spring sessions begin March 6th:** If you struggle with a hurt, hang-up or habit, perhaps the Biblically based freedom principles and the accountability of a support group can help. Life Support meets Tuesday at 7pm at all campuses starting March 6th.

Living It Out: February 2012

Revelation 1:8 (New Living Translation)

*“I am the **Alpha** and the **Omega**—the beginning and the end,” says the Lord God. “I am the one who is, who always was, and who is still to come —the **Almighty One**.”*

Living It Out

It is the dream of CedarCreek that everyone who calls this their church home will be reading and studying the same topics, both individually and in groups. Each week, join with thousands of others at CedarCreek Church in applying God’s Word, the Bible, into your daily life. Our hope is that while we learn and grow together, as individuals and as a church, we will collectively live out the weekend message.

Living It Out resources, such as the Daily Bible Study, Daily Bible Reading Plan, Discussion Questions and Scripture Memory Verses are designed to help us embrace a missional mindset...a mindset that compels us to love Jesus, serve others and tell the world about Christ.

Living It Out: Daily Bible Study—Daily Bible study activities to reflect on the weekend message.

Living It Out: Daily Bible Reading Plan—Read through the Bible in 1 year—Old and New Testament will alternate month to month.

Living It Out: Discussion Questions—Weekly questions to discuss with others.

Living It Out: Scripture Memory—Memorize one Bible verse per month.

All of these resources are also available electronically at www.livingitout.tv, where you can subscribe to have any or all of them e-mailed to you as they are updated.

We Want Your Feedback!

Tell us about any questions or comments you have about this week’s Living It Out: Daily Bible Study. Forward them to dianap@cedarcreek.tv.

<p>CedarCreek Church 29129 Lime City Road Perrysburg, Oh 43551 Phone: 419.661.8661 Fax: 419.661.8665</p> <p>www.cedarcreek.tv www.livingitout.tv</p>	<p>RESOURCES: “If God Is Good” Randy Alcorn “A Thousand Gifts” Ann Voskamp “More than Meets the Eye” Richard Swenson</p>	<p>Living It Out: Daily Bible Reading Plan scriptures are listed for each day. By completing each of the daily readings, you will read the entire Bible in 1 year. These readings are separate from the Daily Bible Study and are located at www.livingout.tv.</p>	<p><i>This week’s</i> Living It Out: <i>Daily Bible Study</i> <i>written by:</i></p> <p><i>Barb Roose</i> <i>Diana Patton</i></p>
--	--	---	--