



Pastor's Message

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If someone advised you to do something for the benefit of someone else, even if it meant making a sacrifice from doing that exact thing you have been doing for a long while, would you make the sacrifice?

Indeed, it may be difficult to enter into a sacrifice, especially if the benefit is not directly impacting you. After all, you are making the sacrifice, not the other person!

However, it seems to me, there are times in our lives that to be concerned more with the needs of another person, rather with one's own, is the holier thing to do. Occasional self-sacrificing is not a harmful practice. Actually, it indicates the person doing it is a quite strong person!

The greater you hold on to something which may be sacrificed, the harder it is to let it go. But, when you are asked to do so for the benefit of someone else, you have to ask yourself, is the thing I am clinging to more important than the person?

Recently, I was advised to do something for the benefit of someone else. It was a request to sacrifice from doing something I have been doing for a long while. I was comfortable in my routine. Initially, I did not want to "give it up." But, with God's help, I did so. Interestingly, now I understand the importance of not doing it, better than I understood the importance of not doing it, before I embraced the sacrifice.

Therefore, listen carefully to what is being asked of you for the benefit of someone else. Could you do what is being asked? Or, are you still not strong enough?

Peace,
Fr. Marc