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Intro Music - "My Father Is So Good To Me"

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Hi, my name is Carl Vasta and I would like to welcome you to the Bible Seeds section here, at Understanding God's Word. This is where I get to comment on biblical readings and stories that brings the bible into what's happening to us in our daily lives.

I'll touch on such topic as Family Prayer or Why I Believe There Is A God. I'll talk about what was predicted that makes these the Terrible Times In The Last Days or how to Have A Daily Meaningful Relationship With God.

Today's topic is:

Throwing Pearls To Swine

This phrase comes from Jesus out of the New Testament in the book of Matthew, Chapter 7: Verse 6.

"Do not give that which belongs to God to dogs. Do not throw your pearls in front of pigs. They

will break them under their feet. Then they will turn and tear you to pieces.

When I was raising my four boys, I told them that God has given everyone a gift. Sometimes the hard part for a person is to find out what gift they have. A parent or a close friend can often see another person's gift and mention it to them.

When I was young and my dad got me an accordion, I could hear a song from the radio and play it. But when my dad sent me for lessons, I had trouble reading and playing the sheet music. The teacher would play it and then I could play it.

The trouble came after six months of lessons. My dad thought I was doing good until he opened a page in the book that I hadn't learned. When he saw that I could not read and play it, he was upset and I felt like a failure.

But little did I know I was going to use this gift in my occupation and people who came up to sing where I played didn't really know what key they sang the song in. I told them to start naturally and in a few seconds I found their key played the accompaniment.

My dad's gift was to be able to entertain and sing and later became very successful as a salesman, something I didn't have a gift for. He had the gift of gab and people responded.

I told my children when they were trying to choose an occupation, "Make sure you love what you're going to do, because you will be doing it a long time."

Now what does this have to do with dogs, pearls, and swine? If you have found your calling, "your gift", and you're on your way to a fulfilling life, you can be sidetracked with drugs, alcohol, sex, immorality, money, fame, and power. All these things are found among those who would rather act like dogs and pigs that have no use for God, His laws or His people. They can make you give up your gifts and even destroy you!

In 55 years of musical entertainment in hotels, restaurants, bars, wedding receptions and all sorts of celebration, I have seen and heard many sad stories. I've seen boastful men and arrogant women decked out in jewels, but that was the only sparkle they really had!

I've seen women that wore no jewelry, a baby in their arms and a small child by their side. The sparkle from their smile and their eyes out did the sparkle from any jewelry I ever saw.

That was like my wife Mary whose gift was being a great MOM. She dressed her children in clothes different from one another because she knew they all had different personalities. She encouraged them to pursue the "gifts" she saw in them. And though she wasn't here long enough to see the successful results of her gifts, she was like the lyric of an old song that went,

"How few were her pleasures,

she never cared for fashion's styles.

Her jewels and her treasures,

She found them in her baby's smiles"

And to all the MOMS around the world: **HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!**

You are God's gift to this Earth: Don't give what is Holy, that is what God gave you, **"your** children", to the dogs!

Back Ground Music Starts and

I would like you to know how much GOD loves you. He is ready and waiting to help you. You just need to believe that He exists and has created all things and has given His Son Jesus, the good shepherd, to bring you back to him. This is why I put together these pod casts, starting with **The Storyline Of The Bible**, 19 easy understandable pod casts that take you from Genesis, the first book of the bible- to Revelation, the last book of the bible.

And beyond that, there are **The Stories And Quotes From Jesus,** which will help you to strengthen your faith in God. And now I have just added these Bible Seeds: my commentary on some of these readings.

You can find all of this and print out the **PDFs** for Storyline Of The Bible and Quotes and Stories from Jesus. You can download the MP3s, Videos, and my original music from my website: <u>www.carlvasta.com</u> Everything is free and there are no sign ups. Enjoy!

Ending The Program

This is your host Carl Vasta and I thank you for tuning in to Bible Seeds at Understanding God's Word.

New podcasts are released on Sundays at 12:30PM Pacific Coast Time. God bless you and your loved ones and remember. . .