



# The Redemption of Scrooge

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Title: "Just Desserts". Is that all?

Text: *Make no mistake, God is not mocked.*

*A person will harvest what they plant. (Galatians 6:7, CEB)*

Just Desserts make sense and works pretty well, to an extent. Thankfully, it is not all there is. In God's economy, grace is also at work. That is good news indeed!!! Here is how Paul puts in one of his letters:

*"When you were dead ..., God made you alive with Christ and forgave all the things you had done wrong. He destroyed the record of the debt we owed, with its requirements that worked against us. He canceled it by nailing it to the cross. (Colossians 2:13-14, CEB).*

Dead people can't do anything for themselves. God helps the helpless. When you and I could not help ourselves, God helped us by forgiving us and giving us life through the cross of Christ. Plus, God has removed the record of our sin. The evidence of our sin has been destroyed in the cross of Christ. No accusation can be made.

That is the essence of Grace. The evidence that we have truly received this grace is to extend the same it to others as well, out of gratitude. And it often takes the form of sympathy, kindness and compassion for those whom we think least deserve it.

Thought to ponder: God has destroyed the evidence of your sin debt. Amazing!!

Prayer: God of grace, we are grateful that you are the helper of the helpless. You helped us when we couldn't help ourselves. May we be truly helpful to the helpless as well. Amen.