

ME and My Drum: We Are All The Little Drummer Boy

"I have no gift to bring that's fit to give our King . . ." Just as the little drummer boy felt while he gazed upon the baby Jesus, how often have we felt that we have little or nothing to give to our Lord? From the moment we are born, we all live for something and rely on others. We start life wanting to please others. As we grow, that usually doesn't change much. But our focus can scatter among areas that are important to us, such as relationships, careers, or goals. Which is fine, as long as, we keep God in the picture. He loves us so much and wants to be part of every aspect of our lives. He stands there with open arms inviting us and asking us to give Him our entire being. We were not created to live for ourselves. We were designed by God, in His image, for His pleasure. *"For by Him all things were created both in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things have been created through Him and for Him."* Colossians 1:16 French philosopher Blaise Pascal wrote, "There is a God-shaped vacuum in the heart of every person, and it can never be filled by any created thing. It can only be filled by God, made known through Jesus Christ." Jesus said, *"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest"* Matthew 11:28. The little drummer boy surrendered all that he had and lifted up his little "heart song" to the baby. Sometimes all we have is our little drum. So we play it for Him, and we play our best for Him. We are declaring to Him that we are small, that we are weak, but we are giving it to Him. And that is all that He wants. --Sherrie Clutts DRE