

## **Commentary on the Gospel for Mon, Jun 11th 2012**

“You receive this as a gift, so you give it as a gift” (v. 8). Giving and receiving are fundamental categories. The first thing anthropologists study in a new culture is kinship relationships and secondly ways of giving and receiving. The world is divided into people who give freely and people who do not give freely. Our life is like breathing: breathing out and breathing in, giving and receiving. Asthma is a respiratory disease that prevents you from breathing freely. Well, spiritual asthma is far more common!

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