

THE POWER OF GENEROSITY

2 Corinthians 9:13 (July 28, 2024)

TEN LESSONS ON THE POWER OF GENEROSITY

1. GENEROSITY _____.

³¹ Whoever is generous to the needy honors God. Proverbs 14:31 (ESV)

2. GENEROSITY DRAWS ME _____.

²³ The purpose of tithing is to teach you to always put God first in your lives. Deuteronomy 14:23b (LB)

²¹ Your heart will be wherever your treasure is. Matthew 6:21 (NCV)

3. GENEROSITY MAKES ME _____.

²⁶ The greedy always want more, but the godly love to give! Proverbs 21:26 (NLT)

⁴¹ Purity is best demonstrated by generosity. Luke 11:41 (LB)

4. GENEROSITY IS _____.

²⁴ You cannot serve both God and money. Matthew 6:24

¹⁷⁻¹⁹ Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. Command them... to be generous and willing to share. In this way... they will take hold of the life that is True Life. 1 Timothy 6:17-19

5. GENEROSITY _____.

¹³ Your giving proves the reality of your faith... 2 Corinthians 9:13 (Ph)

⁶ And I am praying that you will put into action the generosity that comes from your faith as you understand and experience all the good things we have in Christ. Philemon 1:6

¹⁰ Bring your whole tithe to my storehouse. Test me in this and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you won't have room enough for it! Malachi 3:10

6. GENEROSITY _____.

¹¹ If you are untrustworthy with worldly wealth, who will trust you with the true riches of heaven? Luke 16:11 (NLT)

7. GENEROSITY _____.

⁹ Generous people will be blessed..." Proverbs 22:9 (NCV)

⁷⁻⁸ God loves the one who gives gladly. And God will make it up to you by giving you everything you need and more so that there will not only be enough for your own needs but plenty left over to give joyfully to others. 2 Corinthians 9:7-8

8. GENEROSITY _____.

³⁵ Jesus said, "There is more happiness in giving than in receiving." Acts 20:35 (TEV)

9. GENEROSITY _____.

⁵⁻⁶ All goes well for the generous man who conducts his business fairly. Such a man will not be overthrown by evil circumstances. God's constant care of him will make a deep impression on all who see it. Psalm 112:5-6 (LB)

10. GENEROSITY WILL BE _____.

¹⁸⁻¹⁹ Use your money to do good...always being ready to share with others whatever God has given you. By doing this you will be storing up real treasure for themselves in heaven—it is the only safe investment for eternity! And they will be living a fruitful Christian life down here as well. 1 Timothy 6:18-19 (LB)

Questions for discussion

1. Why do you think giving is so emphasized in the Christian faith?
2. Is there a spiritual gift of giving/generosity? If so, what does that mean to those who are not spiritually gifted to give?
3. Where/how do you draw the line between helping someone and allowing someone to take advantage of you?
4. Is it wrong to do charitable giving for tax deduction purposes?
5. (Personal question) How can I become a more cheerful giver and what can I do to be so this week?

*honors; closer to God; more like Jesus; the cure for materialism; demonstrates my faith; reveals my character; brings God's blessing; increases my happiness; brings God's protection; rewarded in heaven

I AM INTERESTED IN TAKING A CLASS FOR MY SPIRITUAL GROWTH.

- Membership 101
- Maturity 201
- Ministry 301
- Mission/Evangelism 401

OTHER CLASSES

- Foundations for basic Christian doctrines
- Fresh Start for starting my faith in Christ
- How to do daily Quiet Time with God

NEED TO TALK TO A PASTOR?

- I would like to talk with a pastor to understand the biblical view on a subject.
- I would like to know what it means to be a member of MBF (NVCCC)

ANY OTHER QUESTION? LET US KNOW, PLEASE.
