



THE JOY OF GENEROSITY

January 17 & 18, 2026

Godly Generosity Doesn't Come Through:

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Godly generosity comes through _____.

2 Corinthians 9:7 (TPT)

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3 Steps to Live Out Generosity:

1 I must _____ a heart and daily habits of generous living.

Luke 12:16-17 (NLT)

Then he told them a story: “A rich man had a fertile farm that produced fine crops. He said to himself, ‘What should I do? I don’t have room for all my crops.’”

Take inventory of what I have so I can give _____.

Matthew 6:21 (ESV)

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

3 Pitfalls to a Materialistic Life:

- If my treasure is “protecting my stuff,”
my heart becomes _____.
- If my treasure is “getting more stuff,”
my heart becomes _____.
- If my treasure is “never having enough stuff,”
my heart becomes _____.

Antidote –

If my treasure is Jesus, my heart is _____ from materialism.

5 Daily Heart Habits to Cultivate:

- **H**_____ my hands wide open
- **E**_____ others with encouragement
- **A**_____ “time treasure”
- **R**_____ one “mine” every day
- **T**_____ whenever you receive income of any kind

 I must _____ Christ’s generosity and His character will shine through me.

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Ephesians 5:1-2 (NIV)

Follow God’s example, therefore, as dearly loved children and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

2 Realities about Imitating God’s Generosity:

- You can give without _____, but you cannot love without _____!
- There are over _____ verses about love and over _____ about giving, so becoming more like God happens through generosity more than love.



I must _____ lavishly and _____ God's overflowing blessing in my life.

Luke 12:20-21 (NLT)

But God said to him, "You fool! You will die this very night. Then who will get everything you worked for?" Yes, a person is a fool to store up earthly wealth but not have a rich relationship with God.

Luke 6:38 (TPT)

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Malachi 3:10 (GNT)

Bring the full amount of your tithes to the Temple, so that there will be plenty of food there. Put me to the test and you will see that I will open the windows of heaven and pour out on you in abundance all kinds of good things.

Proverbs 11:24-25 (GNT, paraphrased)

Some people spend their money freely and still grow richer. Others are cautious, and yet go broke. Be generous, and you will be prosperous. Help others, and you will be helped.

Generosity is not only about wealth

So....

- **Be generous with my _____.**
- **Be generous with my _____ and _____.**
- **Be generous with _____ _____.**
- **Be generous with what I already _____.**
- **Be generous with my _____.**



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- Guilt
- Obligation

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- Be generous with kind words.
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- Be generous with my heart.