

More Than Enough—3 **Joy in the Generosity Journey**

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. 2 Corinthians 9:6 NIV

What you keep is all you have. But what you sow, God multiplies.

3 Money Mindsets

1. It's all from me and for me.

Then he said to them, "Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions." Luke 12:15 NIV

2. The first belongs to God.

Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; ¹⁰then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine. Proverbs 3:9-10 NIV

3. I'm a living sacrifice.

*Then he said to them all: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me. ²⁴For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will save it. ²⁵What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, and yet lose or forfeit their very self?"
Luke 9:23-25 NIV*

Joyful generosity starts with a decision.

Each one must do just as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7 NASB

kardia: the center and seat of spiritual life; the fountain from which your thoughts, passions, desires, appetites, and affections flow; the soul

**"The most important thing in your life is not what you do;
it's who you become." —Dallas Willard**

And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. ⁹As it is written: "They have freely scattered their gifts to the poor; their righteousness endures forever." 2 Corinthians 9:8-9 NIV

Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness.

2 Corinthians 9:10 NIV

TALK IT OVER

Read **Luke 9:23-25**. What do you think it means to save your life by losing it? And how does this verse relate to becoming generous?

Pastor Chris shared three ways we can relate to money—"It's all from me and for me," "the first belongs to God," and "I'm a living sacrifice." Where do you see yourself in that journey?

The three ways of relating to money aren't three steps, they're made up of thousands of little steps. What's a next step you can take toward becoming a living sacrifice?

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