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**Part 7 – The Challenge of Radical Generosity**  
**Mark Rouse – November 26, 2017**

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**HOW TO EXCEL IN GENEROUS GIVING**

**1) Give WILLINGLY.**

For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what one does not have.  
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**2) Give SACRIFICIALLY.**

As Jesus looked up, he saw the rich putting their gifts into the temple treasury. <sup>2</sup> He also saw a poor widow put in two very small copper coins. <sup>3</sup> “Truly I tell you,” he said, “this poor widow has put in more than all the others.” – Luke 21:1-3

**3) Give INTENTIONALLY.**

Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. - Malachi 3:10

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

(Jesus) You should tithe, yes, but do not neglect the more important things. - Matthew 23:23

**4) Give JOYFULLY.**

You must make up your own mind as to how much you should give. Don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. “For God loves a person who gives cheerfully.” – 2 Corinthians 9:7

**THE PROMISE: YOU CANNOT OUT-GIVE GOD.**

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