

Generosity

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“Let your lives overflow with joy and thanksgiving for all He has done.”

Colossians 2:7b TLB

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

Matthew 6:21 [NIV]

Tell them to use their money to do good. They should be rich in good works and should give happily to those in need, always being ready to share with others whatever God has given them. By doing this they will be storing up real treasure for themselves in heaven—it is the only safe investment for eternity!

1 Timothy 6:18-19a TLB

Steps Towards Generosity . . .

1. Bring the tithe.

Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the first and best part of all your income.

Proverbs 3:9 GW

The purpose of tithing is to teach you always to put God first in your lives.

Deuteronomy 14:23b TLB

2. Give your offering.

Each man should give what he has decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

2 Corinthians 9:7 NIV

Give generously . . . and do so without a grudging heart; then because of this the LORD your God will bless you in all your work and in everything you put your hand to.

Deuteronomy 15:10 NIV

3. Grow in generosity.

Since you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love . . . see that you also excel in this grace of giving.

2 Corinthians 8:7 NIV

You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.

2 Corinthians 9:11 NIV

Your giving proves the reality of your faith.

2 Corinthians 9:13a PHILLIPS

Weekend Music:

Doxology (David Binion) • Your Love Awakens Me (Phil Wickham)
Here For You (Matt Redman) • Our God (Chris Tomlin)