

Good \$ense

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Use your worldly resources to benefit others . . . in this way, your generosity stores up a reward for you in heaven. **Luke 16:9 NLT** 

Store up for yourselves treasures in heaven . . . for where your treasure is, your heart will be also. Matthew 6:20-21 NIV

# Why I Give . . .

1. I Like the way it makes me feel

Everything we have has come from you, and we only give you what is yours already! **1 Chronicles 29:14 TLB** 

"Remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said, "There is more happiness in giving than receiving." Acts 20:35b GNT

### 2. I Made <u>a promise</u>

How can I repay the LORD for all his goodness to me? I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD. I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people.

Psalm 116:12-14 NIV

# 3. I Need God's blessing

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** 

"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it." Malachi 3:10 NIV

# 4. I Made a choice to trust

"No one can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and Money." Matthew 6:24 NIV

"If I have put my trust in money, if my happiness depends on wealth . . . it would mean that I denied the God of heaven." **Job 31:24,25,28 TLB** 

Your very giving proves the reality of your faith. **2 Corinthians 9:13a PHILLIPS**