

# CROSS CHURCH



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**I HAVE DECIDED  
PART 5: I HAVE  
DECIDED TO  
BE GENEROUS**

**ACTS 20:35** ...It is more blessed to give than to receive.

**LUKE 12:18-19** "Then he said, 'This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store my surplus grain. And I'll say to myself, "You have plenty of grain laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry."'

**MORE MONEY DOESN'T MAKE YOU  
MORE GENEROUS.**

**MORE MONEY DOESN'T CHANGE WHO YOU ARE,  
IT JUST REVEALS WHO YOU ARE.**

## **TWO QUALITIES OF GENEROUS PEOPLE:**

### **1. Generous people plan to be generous.**

**ISAIAH 32:8** But generous people plan to do what is generous, and they stand firm in their generosity.

**GIVING IS NOT WHAT I DO, GENEROUS IS WHO I AM.**

**MALACHAI 3:10** 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."

### **2. Generous people go the extra mile.**

**PROVERBS 21:26** All day long he craves and craves, but the righteous gives and does not hold back.

**LUKE 10:35** The next day he handed the innkeeper two silver coins, telling him, 'Take care of this man. If his bill runs higher than this, I'll pay you the next time I'm here.'

**LUKE 19:8** But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount."

**MATTHEW 5:41** If anyone forces you to go one mile, go with them two miles.

