

WHAT'S IN YOUR WALLET?

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You cannot be **spiritually free** if you are still **financially bound**.

Jesus sat down *near the collection box* in the Temple and watched as the crowds dropped in their money. **Mark 12:41a (NLT)**

Many *rich* people put in *large* amounts. Then a *poor widow* came and dropped in *two small coins*. **Mark 12:41b-42 (NLT)**

LEPTA

Jesus called his disciples to him and said, "I tell you the truth, *this poor widow has given more than all the others who are making contributions. For they gave a tiny part of their surplus, but she, poor as she is, has given everything she had to live on.* **Mark 12:43-44 (NLT)**

Jesus called his disciples over and said, "The truth is that *this poor widow gave more to the collection than all the others put together. All the others gave what they'll never miss; she gave extravagantly what she couldn't afford—she gave her all.* **Mark 12:43-44 (Message Bible)**

Remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He Himself said,
"It is *more blessed to give than to receive.*

Acts 20:35b (NASB)

The **Giver** Is Always Happier Than The **Getter**!

BENEFITS OF A GENEROUS GIVER:

1. Giving draws our hearts **CLOSER TO JESUS**.

For where *your treasure* is, there *your heart* will be also.
Matthew 6:21 (NASB)

Your **Heart** Will Always Follow Your **Money**.

**Our checkbook is our theological document;
it tells us who and what we worship.**

Rev. Billy Graham

2. Giving breaks our **SELFISH TENDENCIES**.
3. Giving increases our **MATERIAL BLESSINGS!**

**Giving is not God's way of taking something from you.
Giving is God's way of getting something to you.**

*Give freely and **become more wealthy**; be stingy and lose everything.
The generous will **prosper**, those who refresh others will themselves be
refreshed. Proverbs 11:24-25 (NLT)*

