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1 Corinthians 13:1–3 (NLT)

¹ If I could speak all the languages of earth and of angels, but *didn't love others*, I would only be a **noisy gong** or a **clanging cymbal**.

² If I had the gift of prophecy, and if I understood all of God's secret plans and possessed all knowledge, and if I had such faith that I could move mountains, but *didn't love others*, I would **be nothing**.

³ If I gave everything I have to the poor and even sacrificed my body, I could boast about it; but if I *didn't love others*, I would **have gained nothing**.

Mark 10:28–30 (NLT)

²⁸ Then Peter began to speak up. "We've given up everything to follow you," he said.

²⁹ "Yes," Jesus replied, "and I assure you that everyone who has given up house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or property, for my sake and for the Good News,

³⁰ will receive now in return a hundred times as many houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children, and property—along with persecution. And in the world to come that person will have eternal life.

Luke 6:38 (NLT)

³⁸ Give, and you will receive. Your gift will return to you in full—pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, running over, and poured into your lap. The amount you give will determine the amount you get back."

[Malachi 3:8–10](#) (NKJV)

⁸ “Will a man rob God? Yet you have robbed Me! But you say, ‘In what way have we robbed You?’ In tithes and offerings.

⁹ You are cursed with a curse, For you have robbed Me, *Even* this whole nation.

¹⁰ Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, That there may be food in My house, And try Me now in this,” Says the LORD of hosts, “If I will not open for you the windows of heaven And pour out for you *such* blessing That *there will not be room enough to receive it*.

[Galatians 3:13](#) (NKJV) “Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, “*Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree*”)

[Galatians 3:13](#) (TPT) “Yet, Christ paid the full price to set us free from the curse of the law. He absorbed it completely as he became a curse in our place. For it is written: “Everyone who is hung upon a tree is doubly cursed.”

[Genesis 14:17–20](#) (NLT)

¹⁷ After Abram returned from his victory over Kedorlaomer and all his allies, the king of Sodom went out to meet him in the valley of Shaveh (that is, the King’s Valley).

¹⁸ And Melchizedek, the king of Salem and a priest of God Most High, brought Abram some bread and wine.

¹⁹ Melchizedek blessed Abram with this blessing: “Blessed be Abram by God Most High, Creator of heaven and earth.

²⁰ And blessed be God Most High, who has defeated your enemies for you.” Then Abram gave Melchizedek a tenth of all the goods he had recovered.

[2 Corinthians 9:7](#) (NKJV) “*So let each one give as he purposes in his heart*, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver.”

[Deuteronomy 8:18](#) (NKJV) “And you shall remember the LORD your God, for it is He who gives you power to get wealth...”

[Proverbs 3:9–10](#) (NKJV) ⁹ Honor the LORD with your possessions, And with the firstfruits of all your increase; ¹⁰ So your barns will be filled with plenty, And your vats will overflow with new wine.

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

[2 Corinthians 9:6–11](#) (NLT)

⁶ Remember this—a farmer who plants only a few seeds will get a small crop. But the one who plants generously will get a generous crop.

⁷ You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. "For God loves a person who gives cheerfully."

⁸ And God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others.

⁹ As the Scriptures say, "They share freely and give generously to the poor. Their good deeds will be remembered forever."

¹⁰ For God is the one who provides seed for the farmer and then bread to eat. In the same way, he will provide and increase your resources and then produce a great harvest of generosity in you.

¹¹ Yes, you will be enriched in every way so that you can always be generous...."