



Remember the words the Lord Jesus himself said,
 “There is more happiness in giving than in receiving.”
 Acts 20:35 (GN)

Key Words in the Bible

- **Believe, Believer, Believing:** _____ times
- **Pray, Prayer, Praying:** _____ times
- **Love, Lover, Loves, Loving:** _____ times
- **Give, Giver, Gives, Giving:** _____ times

(Jesus said) “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.”

Luke 6:38 (NLT)

THE BIG QUESTION

Since giving is a spiritual discipline, what is the benefit of giving?

I. GIVING MAKES ME _____.

For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son . . .

John 3:16 (NIV)

When I give,
 I become more like God in _____.

2. GIVING DRAWS ME _____.

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

Matthew 6:21 (NIV)

**In other words, we put our time and money into
 what we value.**

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

Deuteronomy 14:23 (LB)

So, when I give, what do I get back?

I get a stronger _____ with God.

3. GIVING IS A VICTORY OVER _____.

Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. Command them . . . to be generous and willing to share. In this way . . . they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

I Timothy 6:17–19 (NIV)

So, when I give,

I'm saying, "God, I _____ You."

4. GIVING _____ MY FAITH.

"Bring your whole tithe to My storehouse . . . Test me in this," says the Lord, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you won't have room enough for it."

Malachi 3:10 (NIV)

5. GIVING _____ IN RETURN.

Whoever is generous will be blessed . . .

Proverbs 22:9 (GW)

Good will come to those who are generous . . . They will be remembered forever.

Psalms 112:5–6 (NIV)

The Best Is Yet to Come!

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The Christ Church Vision

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We believe that Christ Church is God's church, and we desire to follow where He leads. Believing that God calls His people to live by faith . . ., we believe that God's vision is for Christ Church to be:

- A place where everyone is welcomed in an atmosphere of love and acceptance. Where forgiveness abounds and encouragement thrives.
- A place where the Good News of Jesus Christ can be shared with the residents of not only our nearby community, but all of Northern Virginia.
- A place where every believer will be equipped to use their spiritual gifts in ministry at home, work and play.
- A place where every believer will be nurtured and disciplined into spiritual maturity through Bible study, retreats, seminars and small groups.
- A place from where we will send one missionary to every continent around the world and send our members on mission projects both in the United States and around the world.
- A place that births another church somewhere in Northern Virginia.
- A place on enough land to be a regional church. A church with attractive, efficient facilities for worship, Christian education, a Christian school, youth center, counseling center and elder care.

Although this vision is beyond our ability and resources, it is well within the ability of the One who has revealed it to us.