

## HOW GENEROSITY BENEFITS MY LIFE

### 1. GENEROSITY DISPLAYS \_\_\_\_\_.

*You will be glorifying God through your generous gifts.*

2 Corinthians 9:13 (NLT)

### 2. GENEROSITY DRAWS ME \_\_\_\_\_.

*Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.*

Matthew 6:21 (NIV)

### 3. GENEROSITY \_\_\_\_\_ MY FAITH.

*"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse...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 you will not have room enough for it!"*

Malachi 3:10 (NIV)

*Trust in the Lord with all your heart. Lean not on your own understanding. Honor the Lord by giving him the first part of all your income and He will fill your barns.*

Proverbs 3:5, 9 (NIV/LB)

### 4. GENEROSITY \_\_\_\_\_ IN RETURN.

*Blessed are those who are generous, because they feed the poor.*

Proverbs 22:9 (NLT)

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

Psalms 112:5-6 (NIV)

*A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.*

Proverbs 11:25 (NIV)

### CHALLENGE: Progress in your giving.

- Give something every week (whatever it is)
- Give a set amount each week
- Begin to give a percentage of your income
- Work toward cultivating a generous heart and return a full tithe (10%) back to the Lord



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Growing in Generosity

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The Spiritual Disciplines  
we all need to grow in our new life in Jesus.

#### STEP ONE: RESPOND TO JESUS: "Follow me"

Daily quiet time (prayer/Bible reading/journaling)

#### STEP TWO: EMBRACE JESUS: "Take my yoke"

Learn the essential beliefs and change the way you think

#### STEP THREE: BECOMING PRESENT: "Love each other"

Making Worship a priority and joining a small group

#### STEP FOUR: CULTIVATING HOSPITALITY: "Come and see"

Be a friend, and make a friend inside and outside the church

#### STEP FIVE: GROWING IN GENEROSITY: "Lay up treasures"

Step up to regular, faithful giving

*Remember the words that the Lord Jesus himself said,  
"There is more happiness in giving than in receiving."*

Acts 20:35 (TEV)

*Give and it will be given to you  
for the measure you use it will be measured to you.*

Luke 6:38 (NIV)

## **Answer key**

1. GENEROSITY DISPLAYS GOD'S CHARACTER.
2. GENEROSITY DRAWS ME CLOSER TO GOD.
3. GENEROSITY STRENGTHENS MY FAITH.
4. GENEROSITY BLESSES ME IN RETURN.