

GENEROSITY

I use my time and treasure to further the Kingdom of God.

GOD

CHURCH

WORLD

1 WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY?

READ Psalm 24:1. God owns everything in the world. What does that imply about the treasures we call our own?

READ Deuteronomy 8:17-18. God told the Israelites that He gives them the ability to make wealth; it's not of them. Is this true for us today and if so, what is the significance to the way we view whatever wealth we have?

If God owns it all and gives us the ability to make money, why do we typically feel that it belongs to us and that we get to make all the decisions about our money?

READ Titus 3:3-7 Generosity flows from the character of God. In what ways has God been generous towards us?

READ Psalm 112:5; Proverbs 11:25 and 22:9. What does God say will happen to those who are generous?

In what ways can we imitate the generosity of God?

2 WHAT'S OUR PART?

READ 2 Corinthians 9:6-15. What are God's principles regarding generosity? v. 6, 7

Why should we never worry about being generous to others? v. 8, 10, 11

What are some of the results of generosity? v. 12, 13, 14

What is stopping you from beginning a lifestyle of generosity? Tell it to the Lord.

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NEXT STEPS

PRAY

Confess to the Lord if you have not been living a generous life. Ask Him to empower you to be more generous.



GIVE

Find small ways that you can begin being generous. Make some small sacrifices to see how the Lord will supply your needs.



SURPRISE!

Put a single bill (\$5, \$10, \$25 or \$50) in your pocket and ask the Lord to show you



someone in need to give it to. Don't give it away till you're sure the Lord is leading you to do it.