

Generosity and Serving

Generosity

Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you

Luke 6:38

1. Giving Par Excellence

- a. They gave sacrificially
- b. They gave joyfully
- c. They gave voluntarily
- d. They gave persistently
- e. They gave themselves

2. Reasons For Giving

- a. God blesses the giver
- b. God loves a cheerful giver
- c. God provides seed for the sower
- d. God is praised by giving
- e. Brotherly love is increased by giving

3. The Exercise Of Giving

- a. There are different ways to give
- b. Planned giving leads to cheerful giving
- c. Suggestions for giving

Serving

Let no one seek his own good, but the good of his neighbor.

1 Corinthians 10:24

1. Motivations for Serving

- a. Motivated by Obedience
- b. Motivated by Gratitude
- c. Motivated by Forgiveness
- d. Motivated by Humility
- e. Motivated by Love

2. Developing a Servant's Heart

- a. Recognize your own weakness and need
- b. Surrender to God's Will
- c. We must be willing to sacrifice
- d. Take advantage of spontaneous acts of kindness
- e. Plan on serving

Challenge for this week:

- 1. Ask God to show you specific areas you could increase your giving of time and resources.
- 2. Pray and allow the Holy Spirit to lead you where He needs your service the most.