

GENEROSITY IS LOVE IN ACTION

Leaving a Lasting Legacy – Rick Warren
Parts 1-3

*"We will not hide these truths from our children but will teach the next generation."
Psalm 78:4 (NLT)*

*"Three things continue forever: faith, hope, and love. And the greatest
of these is love." 1 Corinthians 13:13 (NCV)*

WHY MUST WE MODEL & TEACH GENEROSITY?

1. GENEROSITY _____

"We all live off God's generous bounty, gift after gift after gift."

John 1:16 (The Message)

*"Everything we have has come from you Lord, and we can only give you what is yours
already!" 1 Chronicles 29:14 (TLB)*

"You will be glorifying God through your generous gifts." 2 Corinthians 9:13 (NLT)

2. GENEROSITY _____

"You cannot serve both God and money." Matthew 6:24 (NIV)

3. GENEROSITY _____

"Your heart will be wherever your treasure is." Matthew 6:21 (NCV)

4. GENEROSITY _____

*"Your generosity . . . not only provides for the needs of God's people, but also
produces prayers of thanksgiving to God." 2 Corinthians 9:11-12*

*"If you see some brother or sister in need and have the means to do something about
it but turn a cold shoulder and do nothing, what happens to God's love? It disappears.
And you made it disappear." 1 John 3:17 (The Message)*

5. GENEROSITY _____

*"If you give, you will receive. Your gift will return to you in full measure . . . and running
over. Whatever measure you use in giving will be used to measure what is given back
to you." Luke 6:38 (NLT)*

*"Give generously...and do so without a grudging heart; then because of this God will
bless you in all your work and in everything you put your hand to."*

Deuteronomy 15:10 (NIV)

6. GENEROSITY _____

Jesus said, "There is more happiness in giving than in receiving." Acts 20:35 (GNT)

7. GENEROSITY _____

"Your giving proves the reality of your faith." 2 Corinthians 9:13 (PHILLIPS)

*"Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will
also reap generously. Each one should give what he has decided in his heart to give,
not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able
to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you
need, you will abound in every good work." 2 Corinthians 9:6-8 (NIV)*

8. GENEROSITY _____

"Store up for yourselves treasures in heaven." Matthew 6:20 (NIV)

*"Tell those who are rich not to be proud and not to trust in their money, which will soon
be gone... Tell them to use their money to do good. They should give happily to those
in need, always ready to share with others whatever God has given them. By doing
this they will be storing up real treasure for themselves in heaven -- it is the only safe
investment for eternity!" 1 Timothy 6:17-19 (TLB)*

*"If you are untrustworthy about worldly wealth, who will trust you with the true riches
of heaven?" Luke 16:11 (NLT)*

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