

## GENEROSITY IS LOVE IN ACTION

Leaving a Lasting Legacy  
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*"We will not hide these truths from our children; we will tell 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 his generous abundance, gift after gift after gift."* John 1:16 (MSG)

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

*"They will give glory to God. For your generosity to them."*  
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 more and more prayers of thanksgiving to God."*  
2 Corinthians 9:11-12 (GW)

*"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 (MSG)

**5. GENEROSITY** \_\_\_\_\_  
*"Give, and you will receive. Your gift will return to you in full . . . running over. The amount you give will determine the amount you get back."* Luke 6:38 (NLT)

*"Give generously . . . and do so without a grudging heart; then because of this the Lord your God will bless you in all your work and in everything you put your hand to."* Deuteronomy 15:10 (NIV)

**6. GENEROSITY** \_\_\_\_\_  
Jesus: *"There is more happiness in giving than in receiving."* Acts 20:35 (GNT)

**7. GENEROSITY** \_\_\_\_\_  
*"Your very 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 of you should give what he has decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to bless you abundantly, 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 be rich in good works and should give happily to those in need, always being 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)

### Next Steps

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