



The Way of Generosity: Freedom Part #2

Series goal: To align our _____ and our _____ so we live in God's _____.

Give, and you will receive. You will be given much. Pressed down, shaken together, and running over, it will spill into your lap. The way you give to others is the way God will give to you.

Luke 6:38 (NCV)

Freeing promises for those who live in the way of generosity:

- Generosity reduces _____ and increases _____.

Yet true godliness with contentment is itself great wealth. After all, we brought nothing with us when we came into the world, and we can't take anything with us when we leave it. So if we have enough food and clothing, let us be content. But people who long to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many foolish and harmful desires that plunge them into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. And some people, craving money, have wandered from the true faith and pierced themselves with many sorrows.

1 Timothy 6:6-10 (NLT)

- Generosity reorders _____ and _____ is most important.

But you, Timothy, are a man of God; so run from all these evil things. Pursue righteousness and a godly life, along with faith, love, perseverance, and gentleness. Fight the good fight for the true faith. Hold tightly to the eternal life to which God has called you, which you have declared so well before many witnesses.

1 Timothy 6:11-12 (NLT)

- Generosity develops _____ and cultivates _____.

Teach those who are rich in this world not to be proud and not to trust in their money, which is so unreliable. Their trust should be in God, who richly gives us all we need for our enjoyment.

1 Timothy 6:17 (NLT)

- Generosity impacts _____ and _____.

Tell them to use their money to do good. They should be rich in good works and generous to those in need, always being ready to share with others. By doing this they will be storing up their treasure as a good foundation for the future so that they may experience true life.

1 Timothy 6:18-19 (NLT)

Discussion Questions

1. Who in your circle of friends and family is a good model of contentment? How does this individual model contentment?
2. Where do you find contentment? (Family, career, material possessions?) What area(s) of your life do you think perhaps Jesus is inviting you to reorder, so that you can cultivate a generous heart toward others?
3. Who can you impact today with your radical generosity? In what ways can you bless someone this week with your time, talent and/or treasure?

Recommended Resources

Books:

- *Your Money Map*, by Howard Dayton
- *Love Your Life, Not Theirs*, by Rachel Cruze
- *Kingdom Stewardship*, by Tony Evans
- *Fields of Gold*, by Andy Stanley
- *The Treasure Principle: Unlocking the Secrets of Joyful Giving*, by Randy Alcorn
- *Redeeming Money: How God Reveals and Reorients Our Hearts*, by Paul David Tripp

Organizations:

- Crown Financial Ministries - crown.org

Financial Calculators:

- Debt Reduction Explanation - daveramsey.com ([LINK](#))
- Debt Snowball Worksheet - daveramsey.com ([LINK](#))
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- Debt Reduction Tool - unbury.me ([LINK](#))

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- Generosity reorders WHO and WHAT is most important.

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- Generosity develops HUMILITY and cultivates JOY.

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