

WHEN GOD'S PEOPLE ARE GENEROUS

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“there’s more blessing in giving than receiving?” **Acts 20:35**

BIG IDEA: What happens when God’s people are generous?

Philippians 4:14-23

“my God will supply all your needs according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.” **Philippians 4:19**

1. Generosity creates _____. (1:6; Philm 6)

“we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches. In the midst of a very severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the Lord’s people.” **2 Corinthians 8:1-4**

“where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”
Mt. 6:21 (Lk. 19:8)

2. You are making an _____—*with compounding interest.*

“Whoever is generous to the poor *lends to the LORD*, and he will repay him for his deed.” **Prov. 19:17** ESV (Prov. 11:24-25)

“Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously.” **2 Corinthians 9:6**

“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal.” **Mat. 6:19-20**

“The only money you’ll see again is that which you give away.” **Kent Hughes**

3. God _____ generously.

“I’ve received everything in **full**, and I have an abundance. I’m fully supplied... And my God will **supply** all your needs according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.” (18-19)

“Give, and you will receive. Your gift will return to you in full—pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, running over, and poured into your lap. The amount you give will determine the amount you get back.” **Luke 6:38** NLT (Mt. 10:42; Prov. 22:9; 3:9-10)

4. The Family _____.

“All the saints send you greetings, especially those who belong to **Caesar’s household**.” (22)

IN PRACTICE:

—**DECIDE** and commit to a generous life.

—**MEMORIZE** Phil 4:19 “my God will supply all your needs according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.”

—**LOOK** for opportunities to give and give.