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“ It is more blessed to give than to receive.”

–*Acts 20:35*

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THE KEY TO THE BLESSED LIFE IS A
HEART OF GENEROSITY.

Big Idea

“One man gives freely, yet gains even more;
another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty.
A generous man will prosper; he who refreshes
others will himself be refreshed.”

Proverbs 11:24-25

“Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each man 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... You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. “

2 Corinthians 9:6-8, 11



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The Bag Mentality: Not Enough

...You eat, but do not have enough; You drink, but you are not filled with drink; You clothe yourselves, but no one is warm; And he who earns wages, earns wages to put into a bag with holes.

Hag 1:6 NKJV



The Basket Mentality: More Than Enough

The fruit of your womb will be blessed, and the crops of your land and the young of your livestock...5 Your basket and your kneading trough will be blessed. 6 You will be blessed when you come in and blessed when you go out. Deut 28:4-6



Barn Mentality: Infinitely More Than Enough

The Lord will send a blessing on your barns and on everything you put your hand to... Deut 8:8





HOW MUCH CAN GOD BLESS YOU WITH?

“Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much.

11 So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? Luke 16:10-11

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“Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; 10 then your barns will be filled to overflowing... Proverbs 3:9-10

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And he told them this parable: "The ground of a certain rich man produced a good crop. 17 He thought to himself, 'What shall I do? I have no place to store my crops.' 18 "Then he said, 'This is what I'll do. I will tear down my barns and build bigger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. 19 And I'll say to myself, "You have plenty of good things laid up for many years. Take life easy; eat, drink and be merry." ' Luke 12:16-19

"But God said to him, 'You fool! This very night your life will be demanded from you. Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?' 21

"This is how it will be with anyone who stores up things for himself but is not rich toward God." Luke 12:20-21

Your generosity...

- ◆ Will provoke others to give
- ◆ Will bless you
- ◆ Will meet needs
- ◆ Will glorify God
- ◆ Will unite the church



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