

### **GOD'S PROMISES ABOUT GIVING**

God's Amazing Promises
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- GOD WANTS ME TO BUILD MY LIFE ON HIS PROMISES
- GOD MAKES BOTH UNCONDITIONAL & CONDITIONAL PROMISES
- GOD MAKES PROMISES TO US FOR TWO REASONS:
  - 1. TO TEACH US

"When I am hurting, I find comfort in your promise that leads to life."

Psalm 119:50 (CEV)

"You are my refuge and my shield, and <u>your promises</u> are my only source of hope." Psalm 119:114 (TLB)

#### 2. TO MAKE US

"God made great and marvelous promises, so his nature would become part of us." 2 Peter 1:4 (CEV)

# 9 REWARDS GOD PROMISES TO ME IF I LEARN TO BE GENEROUS WITH MONEY

#### 1. GOD PROMISES

"Good will come to those who are generous." Psalm 112:5 (NIV)

"Generous people will be blessed." Proverbs 22:9 (NCV)

#### 2. GOD PROMISES

"They are always generous . . . their children will be a blessing."

Psalm 37:26 (NIV)

#### 3. GOD PROMISES

"Honor the Lord by giving him the first part of all your income, and he will fill your barns with wheat and barely and overflow your wine vats with the finest wines."

Proverbs 3:9 (TLB)

"A generous person <u>will prosper;</u> whoever refreshes others will be refreshed."

Proverbs 11:25 (NIV)

#### 4. GOD PROMISES

"Remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is <u>more blessed</u> to give than to receive." Acts 20:35 (ESV)

#### 5. GOD PROMISES

"The world of the generous <u>gets larger and larger</u>; the world of the stingy gets smaller and smaller." Proverbs 11:24 (MSG)

#### 6. GOD PROMISES

Jesus: "Give to others, and God will give to you. Indeed, you will receive a full measure, a generous helping, poured into your hands—all that you can hold. The measure you use for others is the one that God will use for you."

Luke 6:38 (GNT)

"Some people give much but get back <u>even more</u>. Others don't give what they should and end up poor." Proverbs 11:24 (NCV)

"Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will repay him for his deed." Proverbs 19:17 (ESV)

#### 7. GOD PROMISES

Paul: "I want to receive gifts from you, but I want you to have the good that comes from giving. . . . My God will use his wonderful riches in Christ Jesus to give you everything you need." Philippians 4:17, 19 (NCV)

"Those who give to the poor <u>will lack nothing</u>, but those who close their eyes to them receive many curses." Proverbs 28:27 (NIV)

"You should give what you have decided in your heart to give, <u>not reluctantly or under compulsion</u>, for God loves a <u>cheerful</u> giver. And God is able to <u>bless you abundantly</u>, so that in <u>all things</u> at <u>all times</u>, having <u>all that you need</u>, you will abound in every good work." 2 Corinthians 9:7-8 (NIV)

#### 8. GOD PROMISES

"Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously." 2 Corinthians 9:6 (NIV)

"God gives seed to farmers and provides everyone with food. He will increase what you have, so you can give even more to those in need. You will be blessed in every way, and you will be able to keep on being generous."

2 Corinthians 9:10-11 (CEV)

"Be generous, and someday you will be rewarded." Ecclesiastes 11:1 (CEV)

#### 9. GOD PROMISES

"Use their money to do good . . . 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 6:18-19 (TLB)

Jesus: "Use your worldly resources to benefit others and make friends. Then, when your possessions are gone, they will welcome you to an eternal home."

Luke 16:9 (NLT)

#### MY STARTING POINT:

""Will a mere mortal rob God? Yet you rob me. But you ask, "How are we robbing you?" In <u>tithes</u> and offerings. You are under a curse—your whole nation—because you are robbing me. Bring the <u>whole tithe</u> into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. <u>Test me in this</u>,' says the Lord Almighty, 'and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it. I will prevent pests from devouring your crops."

Malachi 3:8-11 (NIV)

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