

MARINERS CHURCH



The Joy of Giving

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It's more blessed to give than to receive." -Jesus, Acts 20:35

God wants me to be ridiculously generous.

Blessed are those who are generous.... Proverbs 22:9 (NLT)

Give freely and become more wealthy; be stingy and lose everything. Proverbs 11:24 (NLT)

When you are harvesting your crops and forget to bring in a bundle of grain from your field, don't go back to get it. Leave it for the foreigners, orphans, and widows. Then the LORD your God will bless you in all you do. When you beat the olives from your olive trees, don't go over the boughs twice. Leave the remaining olives for the foreigners, orphans, and widows. Deuteronomy 24:19-20 (NLT)

Watch God resupply.

"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." -Jesus, Luke 6:38

"Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully" 2 Corinthians 9:6

Give more than money

- Give Time and Attention
- Give Affirmation.
- Give Hope.



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Give freely and spontaneously. Don't have a stingy heart. The way you handle matters like this triggers God's blessing in everything you do. Deuteronomy 15:10 (MSG)

Enjoy the joy.

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Feed the hungry and help those in trouble. Then your light will shine out from the darkness, and the darkness around you will be as bright as noon. Isaiah 58:10 (NLT)

TALK IT OVER! For your LifeGroup*, accountability partner, and further growth...

Ok, what is the best gift you got as a kid?
Now talk about your most memorable time of giving.

Look together at Deuteronomy 24:19-22. Talk about what God is revealing to us here. How would this change someone's attitude about people?

Why does God want us to be "ridiculously generous"?

Talk about a time when God continued to 'resupply' when you gave (Luke 6:38; 2 Corinthians 9:10).

What is a "Random Act of Giving" that God is leading you to do?

*A LifeGroup is a group of people who are committed to loving each other and growing through times like these. For more information, connect with Pastor Len at len@marinerscc.org