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Generosity

Giving from your heart and your wallet

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Living a Life of Love

Matthew 22: 36-40:

³⁶"Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" ³⁷Jesus replied: " 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' ³⁸This is the first and greatest commandment. ³⁹And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' ⁴⁰All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

What does it look like to "love your neighbor as yourself"?

1 Corinthians 13

Growing in God through Generosity

Generous: "liberal in giving or sharing; **unselfish**"

Give: "to present voluntarily and **without expecting compensation**"

We must make the decision in our hearts to serve God and not money.

Matthew 6:21 "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

Matthew 6:24: "No one can serve two masters. For you will hate one and love the other; you will be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money."

Who do we give to?

Church –regular tithes & offerings; special projects & fundraisers

Community – social programs, charities, etc.

2 Corinthians 9:7 "Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

What does it look like to give from your heart AND your wallet?

*"Beware! Guard against every kind of greed. Life is not measured by
how much you own."*

Luke 12:15