

What do I give to the One who has everything?

¹Then Jesus looked up and saw the rich putting their gifts into the treasury, ²and He saw a poor widow put in two small copper coins.

³“Truly I tell you,” He said, “this poor widow has put in more than all the others.

⁴For they all contributed out of their surplus, but she out of her poverty has put in all she had to live on.”

Luke 23:1-4

My giving is v1-2

Jesus sees is giving.
Honour the Lord with your wealth... Proverbs 3:9
You know the grace of our Lord... 2 Corinthians 8:9

Jesus sees is given.
Test Me in this says the Lord... Malachi 3:10

My giving is v3

Godly giving is
One person gives freely yet gains... Proverbs 11:24
Give to everyone who asks Matt.5:42, Luke 6:30
Care for the poor. Deuteronomy 14:29, James 1:27

Godly giving is
One the first day... each of you... 1 Cor.16:1-2
Treasure in Heaven. Matthew 6:20-21
You shall give to the priest. Ezekiel 44:30
Do not muzzle the ox... 1 Timothy 5:17-18

My giving is v4

Godly giving is
You will be enriched in every way so... 2 Cor.9:10-11
Love of money is the root... 1 Timothy 6:10

Godly giving is
Remember this... 2 Corinthians 9:6-8
You know the grace of our Lord... 2 Corinthians 8:9

My prayer priorities for this week

- S 23 Peter & Elly
- M 24 Marcia P.
- T 25 Phil & Louise
- W 26 Aileen & George
- T 27 Ray & Helen
- F 28 Geoff & Joy
- S 29 Steve & Jenni
- S 30 Lorna T. and past members. Mission Focus. Myanmar morning tea

Thought starters for personal reflection or group discussion

1. John Wesley, founder of the Methodist Church, taught: Make all you can, save all you can, give all you can. Do you agree with him?
2. Jesus told us to give to everyone who asks us (Luke 6:30). Should we give to every beggar; if so, what should we give; if not, why not? How does 2 Thessalonians 3:10 and 1 Timothy 5:3-4, 16 address our giving (and our welfare system)?
3. Compare Jesus’ words in Luke 6:38 with the principle of tithing.
4. Read 2 Corinthians 9:6-8. For you, what are the key lessons from each of these three verses; and from the passage as a whole?
5. In what ways does Galatians 6:9-10 determine to whom we give, and not give?
6. In the middle of a long section on giving we read 2 Corinthians 8:9. Why is this an appropriate centrepiece?

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