

40 Days of Community

March 11, 2007

“Living A Life Defined By Generosity”

Koinonia Means _____

1. Generosity _____

2 Corinthians 9:10-12 (NLT) ¹⁰ For God is the one who provides seed for the farmer and then bread to eat. In the same way, he will provide and increase your resources and then produce a great harvest of generosity in you. ¹¹ Yes, you will be enriched in every way so that you can always be generous. And when we take your gifts to those who need them, they will thank God. ¹² So two good things will result from this ministry of giving—the needs of the believers in Jerusalem will be met, and they will joyfully express their thanks to God.

Matthew 6:21 (NCV) Your heart will be where your treasure is.

Acts 4:32 (NLT) All the believers were of one heart and mind, and they felt that what they owned was not their own; they shared everything they had.

2. Generosity _____

Matthew 6:24 (NIV) No one can serve two masters.

3. Generosity _____

2 Corinthians 9:13 (Phillips) Your giving proves the reality of your faith.

Acts 17:28 (NIV) For in him we live and move and have our being.

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

Romans 11:36 (NIV) For from him and through him and to him are all things.

2 Corinthians 9:8 (NCV) God can give you more blessings than you need. Then you will always have plenty of everything—enough to give to every good work.

4. Generosity is an _____

Luke 16:9 (NLT) I tell you, use your worldly resources to benefit others and make friends. In this way, your generosity stores up a reward for you in heaven.

1 Timothy 6:17-19 (LB) Tell the rich...to use their money to do good. They should be rich in good works, 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.

5. Generosity _____

Acts 20:35 (GN) There is more happiness in giving than in receiving.

6. Generosity makes me _____

John 1:16 (Message) We all live off God's generous bounty, gift after gift after gift.

1 Chronicles 29:14 (LB) Everything we have comes from You, Lord, and we can only give you what is already Yours.

Psalms 20:7 (NIV) Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the LORD our God.

2 Corinthians 8:12 (NLT) If you are really eager to give, it isn't important how much you are able to give. God wants you to give what you have, not what you don't have.

2 Corinthians 9:7 (NLT) You must each make up your own mind as to how much you should give. Don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. For God loves the person who gives cheerfully.

Key Heart Attitudes:

- Give _____
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2 Corinthians 8:9 (NLT) You know how full of love and kindness our Lord Jesus Christ was. Though he was very rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty he could make you rich.

Acts 15:11 (Message) We are saved because Jesus, out of sheer generosity moved to save us.