

Season of Giving

A red gift box with a gold ribbon and bow, surrounded by gold stars and a gold ribbon swirl.

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Text

- **Luke 6:38 (NKJV) Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you.”**



Definitions

- Gift - the transfer of something without the expectation of receiving something in return

- giver



Definitions

- Generosity- the habit of giving freely without expecting anything in return



Definitions

- Charity - the giving of help to those in need who are not related to the giver



Types of Giving

- Planned
- Un-planned
- Spontaneous



Facts About Giving

- Requires a motive
- Should be to God
- Required by us as Christians
- An act of worship Gen 4:7
- Give proportionally to your blessings I Cor. 6:2



A Good Gift

- Should be meaningful
- Is from the heart- 2 Cor.9:7
- Out of act of obedience
- Sacrificial/Good Quality- Mark 12:41-44
- Secretive Matt 6:1-4



Who to Give to

- The Church- Matt. 10:40-42
- Body of Christ i.e. church members, missionaries etc
- The poor- Prov.19:17



Who to Give to Cont'd

- Family
- Strangers
- Employees
- The Government- Mark
12:17



Why We Don't Give

- I don't have enough
- No compassion/empathy
- Genuinely don't have



Benefits of Giving

- More blessed to give
- Endears us to God
- Makes us more Christ like



Benefits of Giving Cont'd

- Stores up treasure in heaven
- Builds Trust in God's provision- Ecc.11:1



Benefits of Giving Cont'd

- Gives material increase to the giver- 2 Corinthians 9:6



Who are the Founders?

Henry Crowell



William Colgate



John Rockefeller



ExxonMobil

Robert Le Tourneau



ECONET

Steve Masiyiwa

Conclusion

- The ultimate gift this season is salvation-John 3:16
- Give in ALL seasons of life not only Christmas

