

VERSES ON GENEROSITY

Exodus 35:5 5 Take from among you a contribution to Yahweh. Whoever is of a generous heart, let him bring the Yahweh's contribution: gold, silver, and bronze....

1 Chronicles 29:14-19 14 But who am I [David], and what is my people, that we should be able thus to offer willingly? For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you. 15 For we are strangers before you and sojourners, as all our fathers were. Our days on the earth are like a shadow, and there is no abiding. 16 Yahweh our God, all this abundance that we have provided for building you a house for your holy name comes from your hand and is all your own. 17 I know, my God, that you test the heart and have pleasure in uprightness. In the uprightness of my heart I have freely offered all these things, and now I have seen your people, who are present here, offering freely and joyously to you. 18 Yahweh, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, our fathers, keep forever such purposes and thoughts in the hearts of your people, and direct their hearts toward you. 19 Grant to Solomon my son a whole heart that he may keep your commandments, your testimonies, and your statutes, performing all, and that he may build the palace for which I have made provision.

Psalms 37:21-26 21 The wicked borrows but does not pay back, but the righteous is generous and gives; 22 for those blessed by the Lord shall inherit the land, but those cursed by him shall be cut off. 23 The steps of a man are established by the Lord, when he delights in his way; 24 though he fall, he shall not be cast headlong, for the Lord upholds his hand. 25 I have been young, and now am old, yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken or his children begging for bread. 26 He is ever lending generously, and his children become a blessing.

Psalms 112:5-9 5 It is well with the man who deals generously and lends, who conducts his affairs with justice. 6 For the righteous will never be moved, he will be remembered forever. 7 He is not afraid of bad news. His heart is firm, trusting in Yahweh. 8 His heart is steady. He will not be afraid, until he looks in triumph on his adversaries. 9 He has distributed freely. He has given to the poor. His righteousness endures forever. His horn is exalted in honor.

Proverbs 11:24-25 24 One gives freely, yet grows all the richer. Another withholds what he should give, and only suffers want. 25 Whoever brings blessing will be enriched, and one who waters will himself be watered.

Proverbs 14:21 21 Whoever despises his neighbour is a sinner, but blessed is he who is generous to the poor.

Proverbs 14:31 31 Whoever oppresses a poor man insults his Maker, but he who is generous to the needy honours him.

Proverbs 19:6 6 Many seek the favor of a generous man, and everyone is a friend to a man who gives gifts.

Proverbs 19:17 17 Whoever is generous to the poor lends to Yahweh, and he will repay him for his deed.

Proverbs 28:8 8 Whoever multiplies his wealth by interest and profit gathers it for him who is generous to the poor.

Ecclesiastes 11:2 2 Give a portion to seven, or even to eight, for you know not what disaster may happen on earth.

Matthew 5:42 42 Give to the one who begs from you, and do not refuse the one who would borrow from you.

Matthew 20:13-15 13 But [the master of the house] replied to one of [workers], Friend, I am doing you no wrong. Did you not agree with me for a denarius? 14 Take what belongs to you and go. I choose to give to this last worker as I give to you. 15 Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or do you begrudge my generosity?

Luke 6:38 38 Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you.

Acts 2:46 46 And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, [the believers] received their food with glad and generous hearts, 47 praising God and having favour with all the people. And the Lord [Jesus] added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

Acts 10:1-2 1 At Caesarea there was a man named Cornelius, a centurion of what was known as the Italian Cohort, 2 a devout man who feared God with all his household, gave alms generously to the people, and prayed continually to God.

Romans 12:8 8 ...The one who contributes, in generosity....

2 Corinthians 8:1-5 1 We want you to know, brothers and sisters, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, 2 for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. 3 For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own accord, 4 begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints— 5 and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us.

2 Corinthians 9:6-15 6 The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. 7 Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 8 And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work. 9 As it is written, He has distributed freely. He has given to the poor. His righteousness endures forever. 10 He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. 11 You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every

way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God. 12 For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God. 13 By their approval of this service, they will glorify God because of your submission that comes from your confession of the gospel of Messiah and the generosity of your contribution for them and for all others, 14 while they long for you and pray for you, because of the surpassing grace of God upon you. 15 Thanks be to God for his inexpressible gift!

1 Timothy 6:17-19 17 As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. 18 They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, 19 thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

James 1:5 5 If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him.