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**A Legacy of Generosity**  
*(Living Love in Action)*  
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(Psalm 78:4 NLT) “We will not hide these truths from our children; we will tell the next generation.”

(1 Corinthians 13:13 NLT) “Three things will last forever—faith, hope, and love—and the greatest of these is love.”

*“You can give without loving, but you cannot love without giving.”*

### WHY WE MUST TEACH AND MODEL GENEROSITY...

**Generosity d\_\_\_\_\_ God’s character.**

(John 1:16 NLT) “From his abundance we have all received one gracious blessing after another.”

(John 3:16 ESV) “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.”

**Generosity d\_\_\_\_\_ materialism.**

(Matthew 6:24 NLT) “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 God and be enslaved to money.”

**Generosity d\_\_\_\_\_ me closer to God.**

(Matthew 6:21 ESV) “For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

**Generosity d\_\_\_\_\_ my love.**

(1 John 3:17 NLT) “If someone has enough money to live well and sees a brother or sister in need but shows no compassion—how can God’s love be in that person?”

**Generosity d\_\_\_\_\_ my blessing.**

(Proverbs 22:9 NLT) “Blessed are those who are generous.”

(Luke 6:38 NLT) “Give, and you will receive. Your gift will return to you in full—pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, running over, and poured into your lap. The amount you give will determine the amount you get back.”

(Deuteronomy 15:10 NIV) “Give generously to them and do so without a grudging heart; then because of this the Lord your God will bless you in all your work and in everything you put your hand to.”

**Generosity d\_\_\_\_\_ my joy.**

(Acts 20:35 NLT) “You should remember the words of the Lord Jesus: ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’”

**Generosity d\_\_\_\_\_ my faith.**

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

(Malachi 3:10) “You are under a curse, for your whole nation has been cheating me. <sup>10</sup>Bring all the tithes into the storehouse so there will be enough food in my Temple. If you do,” says the Lord of Heaven’s Armies, “I will open the windows of heaven for you. I will pour out a blessing so great you won’t have enough room to take it in! Try it! Put me to the test!”

(2 Corinthians 9:6-8 ESV) “The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully<sup>[a]</sup> will also reap bountifully.<sup>7</sup> Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. <sup>8</sup>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.”

**Generosity is a d\_\_\_\_\_ in eternity.**

(1 Timothy 6:17-19 NLT) “Teach those who are rich in this world not to be proud and not to trust in their money, which is so unreliable. Their trust should be in God, who richly gives us all we need for our enjoyment. <sup>18</sup>Tell them to use their money to do good. They should be rich in good works and generous to those in need, always being ready to share with others. <sup>19</sup>By doing this they will be storing up their treasure as a good foundation for the future so that they may experience true life.”

(Luke 16:11 (NLT) “If you are untrustworthy about worldly wealth, who will trust you with the true riches of heaven?”

**Next Week: “A Legacy of Faith”**