



**WE ARE
THE CREEK**

“It is better to give than receive.”

Jesus

Generosity is a *willingness* and
eagerness to give liberally of
who we are and what we have.

GENEROSITY:

Time

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Talent

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Treasure

*“Where your treasure is, there
your heart will be also.”*

Jesus

"No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money."

Jesus

Generosity changes lives.

Generosity *received*
is life changing.

Generosity *observed*
Is life changing.

Generosity *practiced*
Is life changing.

In the **midst** of a very severe trial,
their overflowing joy and their
**extreme poverty welled up in rich
generosity.**

2 Corinthians 8:2 NIV

There will always be a good reason to not be generous, but there will never be a good *enough* reason to not be generous.

For I testify that they gave as much as they were **able**, and even **beyond** their ability.

2 Corinthians 8:3 NIV

Entirely on their own,
they urgently **pleaded** with us for
the **privilege** of sharing in this
service to the Lord's people.

2 Corinthians 8:3,4 NIV

And they exceeded our expectations: They gave themselves **first** of all to the Lord, and then by the will of God also to us.

2 Corinthians 8:5 NIV

For I know your **eagerness** to help, and I have been boasting about it to the Macedonians, telling them that since last year you in Achaia were ready to give; and your enthusiasm has **stirred** most of them to action.

2 Corinthians 9:2 NIV

Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever **sows generously** will also **reap generously**.

2 Corinthians 9:6 NIV

Each of you should give what you have **decided** in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a **cheerful** giver.

2 Corinthians 9:7 NIV

And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in **all things** at **all times**, having **all that you need**, you will abound in **every good work**.

2 Corinthians 9:8 NIV

... he who **supplies** seed to the sower and bread for food will **also** supply and increase your store of seed and will **enlarge** the harvest of your righteousness.

2 Corinthians 9:10 NIV

You will be enriched in every way **so that** you can be generous on every occasion,

2 Corinthians 9:11 NIV

Generosity is a result of
believing that I have enough
because God is enough.

“I don’t believe one can settle how much we ought to give. I am afraid the only safe way is to give more than we can spare.”

Jesus

“If our luxuries are on par with those who make what we make, we are probably giving away too little. There should be things we want to do but cannot do because of our generosity.”

C.S. Lewis

Spontaneous Generosity
vs.
Systematic Generosity

You will be enriched in every way **so that** you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in **thanksgiving** to God.

2 Corinthians 9:11 NIV

...**others** will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for **your generosity**...

2 Corinthians 9:13 NIV