

THIS IS WHAT WE DO

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Verses

Luke 10:33-35 Malachi 3:10 Leviticus 27:30 Isaiah 32:8 John 3:16 Mark 12:41-44

Talk It Over

Read **Isaiah 32:8**. What does "standing firm in generosity" mean to you in this season?

In 2023, the average American gave just 1.9% of their total income to charity. What, in your opinion, makes radical generosity so difficult to the average person?

Of the three types of generosity (spontaneous, strategic, and sacrificial), which comes the most naturally to you? Which one is the most difficult? Why?

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3 Mindsets That Move Us

Giving is an action, but generosity is a mindset.

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3 Generosity Mindsets

Spontaneous Strategic Sacrificial

1. We give spontaneously when compassion moves us.

"... when [the Samaritan] saw [the wounded man], he took pity on him. ³⁴He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him. ³⁵The next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper. 'Look after him,' he said, 'and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.'"

Luke 10:33-35 NIV

If you only give when you feel something, you won't give when you don't.

2. We give strategically when our convictions guide us.

"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it."

Malachi 3:10 NIV



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Part 1

5 Reasons I Tithe

Part 2

3 Mindsets that Move Us

"A tithe of everything ... belongs to the Lord; it is holy to the Lord." Leviticus 27:30 NIV

But generous people plan to do what is generous, and they stand firm in their generosity. Isaiah 32:8 NLT

3. We give sacrificially when love costs us.

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son ...

John 3:16 NIV

Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. ⁴²But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents. ⁴³Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. ⁴⁴They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on." Mark 12:41-44 NIV

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