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“Good will come to him who is generous...” Ps 112:5

2 Corinthians 8:2 They are being tested by many troubles, and they are very poor. But they are also filled with abundant joy, which has overflowed in **rich** generosity.

Luke 12: 34 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

2 Corinthians 9:6 *Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously.*

2 Corinthians 8:3-4 *For I can testify that they gave not only what they could afford, but far more. And they did it of their own free will.*

“Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.”

19 “Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; 20 but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. 21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” Matthew 6:19-21 NKJV

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*It all

_____ anyway

*What I give in love, I keep for eternity

*Faith allows you to

Malachi 3:10 Bring the whole **tithe** into the storehouse...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 you will not have room enough for it...”

*We must not offer God something that

2 Samuel 24:24 I will not sacrifice to the LORD my God burnt offerings that cost me nothing.

*God uses our giving

2 Corinthians 8: 3-4 For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the saints.

2 Corinthians 8:9

You know the generous grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Though he was **rich**, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty he could make you **rich**.

A “tithe” is giving 10% of my income.

An “offering” is anything I give in addition to my tithe.

Malachi 3:8-9 *“Will a man rob God? Yet you rob me. “But you ask, ‘How do we rob you?’ “In tithes and offerings...Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house.”*

“Give and it will be given to you ... For with the measure you use, it will be measured back to you.” Luke 6:38

James 1:11

The hot sun rises and the grass withers; the little flower droops and falls, and its beauty fades away. In the same way, the **rich** will fade away with all of their achievements.

You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.~ II Corinthians 9:11

Romans 8:3

The law of Moses was unable to save us because of the weakness of our sinful nature. So God did what the law could not do. He sent his own Son in a body like the bodies we sinners have. And in that body God declared an end to sin's control over us by **giving** his Son as a sacrifice for our sins.