

Generous Givers

1 Chronicles 29:10-20 ❖ Revelation 5:11-14

“Personal growth requires that you give money away. Good things that cannot be calculated or quantified are set in motion in your life and in your finances when you give. Giving helps us keep proper priorities in our lives. It is essential to good money management.”

(“Financial Peace,” Dave Ramsey, 28-29)

Taker or Giver?

What we believe matters. It determines what we will or will not **do**. What we **do** is based on what we believe.

Two foundational **Christian** beliefs are that God is a generous giver and God calls His people to be generous givers.

Are you known more for what you *take* or for what you *give*?

God Is A Generous Giver

In 1 Chronicles 29, King David is nearing the **end** of his life, and he’s finding himself **overwhelmed** by the generosity of God.

David prayed publicly, “Praise be to You, O Lord, for **everything** in heaven and earth is Yours. **Wealth** and honor, **strength** and power come from You” (1 Chronicles 29:10-12).

List some of the things God has *given* you:

List some of the things God has *given* Highland Heights:

God Calls Us To Be Generous Givers

David prayed, “O Lord our God, as for all this **abundance** we have provided for building You a temple for Your holy name, it comes from Your hand and all of it **belongs** to You” (1 Ch 29:16).

How did King David want to be remembered?

How did his fellow Israelites want to be remembered?

How do you want to be remembered?

How do you want Highland Heights to be remembered?

Innumerable angels circle God’s throne and sing loudly, “Worthy is the Lamb who was **slain** to receive power and **wealth**, wisdom, strength, honor, glory, and praise” (Revelation 5:12).

List some of the things God has called you to *give*:

List some of the things God has called Highland Heights to *give*:

Am I A Generous Giver?

If you *believe* God has given generously to you and calls you to give generously in return, what are you *doing* about it?

David prayed, “I have seen with **joy** how **willingly** Your people who are here have given to You. Keep this desire in the **hearts** of Your people forever” (1 Ch 29:17-18).

Jesus said, “From everyone who has been given much, **much** will be *demand*ed; and from the one who has been entrusted with much, **much more** will be asked” (Luke 12:48).

When it’s time for tithes and offerings to be collected, what are you putting in the plate?

If you’re not already tithing, will you please head in that direction?

“Were the whole realm of nature **mine**,
That were a present far too small.
Love so amazing, so **divine**,
Demands my soul, my life, my **all**.”

(“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross,” Isaac Watts)

