

Giving God's Way II Corinthians 8 and 9 August 31, 2014

What is Generosity?

Generosity is a lifestyle; a lifestyle in which we share all that we have, all that we are, and all that we ever will become as a demonstration of God's love and a response to God's grace.

I. Generosity focuses on the attitude and not the amount. II Corinthians 8:12

Four Attitudes of Generosity:

Unbelievers will never understand giving. It is impossible to understand Christian giving until the Holy Spirit transforms your soul. The mark of maturity in all of our lives comes when we understand that there really is more joy in *giving* than there is in *getting*.

- 1. An attitude of joy.
- 2. An attitude of the supernatural.
- 3. An attitude of enthusiasm.
- 4. An attitude of spiritual discipline.
- **II.** Generosity brings spiritual results to the top.

Five results of Generosity:

- **1.** Generosity increases our love for Jesus
- 2. Generosity makes us more like Jesus.
- 3. Generosity strengthens our faith.
- 4. Generosity produces gratefulness in others.
- 5. Generosity displays God to a lost and dying world.

Every time you give to your church budget you support global missions. Every time you give to ICR and allow your pastor to travel to a different country and train a pastor you are supporting global missions.