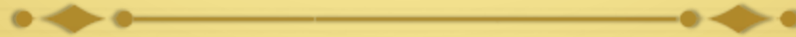


# Living The “More Blessed” Life?



**Acts 20:35**

**Jesus himself said: “It  
is more blessed to  
give than to receive.”**

# What Is The Source Of Giving?


Acts 17:24-25 “The God who made the world and everything in it...**gives** all life and breath and everything else.”

James 1:17 “Every good and perfect **gift** is from above coming down from the Father...”

2 Peter 1:3 “His divine power has **given** us everything we need for life and godliness through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.”

John 3:16 God so loved the world that **He gave** His only begotten Son, that whoever believes...

# The “Motivational” Gift?




Romans 12:3,6,8 “...the measure of faith the God has **given** you...if one’s **gift** is...contributing to the needs of others, let them **give generously.**”


“We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give.” (Duane Hulse)

# The Give/Given Practice?

**Luke 6:38**     **Give and it will be given to you.** A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with what measure you use, it will be measured to you.”



**Do we focus on  
the blessing or  
the Blessor?**




**“God is interested in  
creating the heart of a  
farmer” (Robert  
Morris)**

# 2 Corinthians 9: 6-11




**“The one sowing sparingly will also reap sparingly. And the one sowing generously will also reap generously. Each one should give what they have decided in their heart to give, not with regret or of necessity, for the God loves a cheerful giver. And the God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.”**



**“Now to the One who is supplying seed to the sowing one and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the fruits of your righteousness. Enriching you in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to the God.”**





**“The law of the harvest  
is irrefutable and we  
will unquestionably  
reap what we sow”**

**(Robert Morris)**

# **3 Giving Principles!**



- 1) We reap what we sow**
- 2) We reap after we sow**
- 3) We reap more than we sow**



**Are We  
“More  
Blessed”?**