

# THE PARADOX OF GENEROSITY

## Generosity Redux

Generosity is a \_\_\_\_\_

*It is more blessed to give than to receive.* -- Acts 20:35

*It is well with the man who deals generously and lends; who conducts his affairs with justice.* -- Psalm 112:5

*One gives freely, yet grows all the richer; another withholds what he should give, and only suffers want.*  
-- Proverbs 11:24

God is looking to bless \_\_\_\_\_

*The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.* -- II Corinthians 9:6

\_\_\_\_\_ more likely to say they are very happy  
\_\_\_\_\_ more likely to evaluate their physical health as good  
\_\_\_\_\_ more likely to say their lives have great purpose

God is \_\_\_\_\_ so you can be \_\_\_\_\_

*He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way...*  
-- II Corinthians 9:10-11

Our problem is not \_\_\_\_\_. Our problem is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

*But godliness with contentment is great gain, for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content.* -- I Timothy 6:6-8

*For every beast of the forest is mine, the cattle on a thousand hills. I know all the birds of the hills, and all that moves in the field is mine. "If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for the world and its fullness are mine."*  
-- Psalm 50:10-12

Your \_\_\_\_\_ is way \_\_\_\_\_ than you can imagine.

*And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'* -- Matthew 25:40

God \_\_\_\_\_ you to be generous.

*"Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test," says the Lord of hosts, "if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need."* -- Malachi 3:10

Picture of Generosity -- \_\_\_\_\_