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We serve a God of abundance

2 CORINTHIANS 9:8 - And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work

What Does This Mean to Me? Our God loves to give to us. He sacrificed willingly on the cross so that we could live with Him forever. We are undeserving of God's generosity, but He gives abundantly to us out of love.

Why Is This Important? As His children, we are called to imitate him (Ephesians 5:1).

The reasons we give

- 1 CORINTHIANS 16:2 We're told to save and give regularly.
- 2 CORINTHIANS 8:7-8 We give to display love.
- 2 CORINTHIANS 9:12-15 Generous giving results in spiritual rewards.
- 1 TIMOTHY 5:17-18 Church leaders who rule well are worthy of it.

MATTHEW 6:19-24; 1 TIMOTHY 6:9-10 - Helps keep us focused on God.

What Does This Mean to Me? My giving is a direct response to God's abundant blessings in my life. We are called to give regularly and generously.

Why Is This Important? My generous giving will be a blessing to God, will supply the needs of God's people and will put me in a place of obedience.

How we give is important

MATTHEW 12:41-44 - Give sacrificially.
2 CORINTHIANS 9:7 - Give with a cheerful heart.
2 CORINTHIANS 8:10-12 - Give with eager willingness.
MATTHEW 10:8 - Give freely.

What Does This Mean to Me? Our attitude in giving is as important as what we give. God knows our heart.

Why Is This Important? In response to God blessing us abundantly, we need to give back to Him generously and cheerfully.

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What we should give

- 1 CORINTHIANS 16:2 Give generously relevant to your income.
- 2 CORINTHIANS 8:12 Give as much as you are able.
- 2 CORINTHIANS 9:6-7 Give generously and cheerfully.

What Does This Mean to Me? My attitude when I give is as important as the dollar amount. If I give sacrificially, I'll give more as I make more.

Why Is This Important? Few things reveal a person's priorities more than their checkbook. God has blessed us abundantly and asks us to honor Him with the first part of our income (Proverbs 3:9).

Other resources on financial giving:

- https://www.gotquestions.org/tithing-Christian.html
- https://www.ramseysolutions.com/budgeting/daves-advice-on-tithing-and-giving
- https://www.focusonthefamily.com/family-qa/why-we-give-right-reasons-for-christian-giving/