

Reborn Generosity | Pastor Steve Wells | 09.26.2021
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This morning Pastor Steve spoke to us about generosity during his sermon. He said “we are born selfish, but we are born again generous. We are born again generous because we are a new creation in Christ-who has a generous heart abounding in love”.

This week our Go Deeper is an assignment. Pastor Steve challenged us to pray and ask God to impress upon your (our) heart an opportunity to be generous this week. Preferably each member of the household should have an opportunity, but it can be done as a family too.

Deuteronomy 15:7-9 NLT

“7 But if there are any poor Israelites in your towns when you arrive in the land the Lord your God is giving you, do not be hard-hearted or tightfisted toward them. 8 Instead, be generous and lend them whatever they need. 9 Do not be mean-spirited and refuse someone a loan because the year for canceling debts is close at hand. If you refuse to make the loan and the needy person cries out to the Lord, you will be considered guilty of sin. 10 Give generously to the poor, not grudgingly, for the Lord your God will bless you in everything you do. 11 There will always be some in the land who are poor. That is why I am commanding you to share freely with the poor and with other Israelites in need.”

Psalms 37:21-22 NLT

“21 The wicked borrow and never repay, but the godly are generous givers. 22 Those the Lord blesses will possess the land, but those he curses will die.”

Proverbs 11:24-28 NLT

“24 Give freely and become more wealthy; be stingy and lose everything. 25 The generous will prosper; those who refresh others will themselves be refreshed. 26 People curse those who hoard their grain, but they bless the one who sells in time of need. 27 If you search for good, you will find favor; but if you search for evil, it will find you! 28 Trust in your money and down you go! But the godly flourish like leaves in spring.”

- What are some ways you could be generous? (not just monetary)
- What are some ways you have wanted to be generous in the past?
- Has there been an opportunity to be generous that you missed?
- What keeps you from being generous?