

"A New Lifestyle"
Making Change Series
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"It is more blessed to give than to receive." Acts 20:35

3 big benefits to living a Lifestyle of Generosity:

- 1) Generosity **TRANSFORMS & GROWS** me.
 - Imitate God, therefore, in everything you do, because you are his dear children. Ephesians 5:1
 - God is a GIVER
 - For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16

2) Generosity is the **WISEST INVESTMENT**.

- "Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in <u>God</u>, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. Command them to do good, to <u>be rich in good deeds</u>, and to <u>be generous and willing to share</u>. In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life." 1 Timothy 6:17-19

3) Generosity **BLESSES & REFRESHES** me.

- What does a lifestyle of generosity look like?
 - Our <u>TALENTS</u>
 - Our **TREASURE**
 - Our **TIME**
- "So two good things happen as a result of your gifts—those in need are helped, and they overflow with thanks to God. Those you help will be glad not only because of your generous gifts to themselves and to others, but they will praise God for this proof that your deeds are as good as your doctrine." 2 Corinthians 9:12-13
- "The generous will prosper; those who refresh others will themselves be refreshed." Proverbs 11:25

CALL TO ACTION: Let generosity be your map. Think about what you have to give, & where you can start giving today.

- Let us know what you're doing to give to others! Email: office@C3TriCities.com