

Give, and it shall be given to you

This is a small scripture guide to giving, giving of all kinds, money, time, effort...

Lk 6:38 Give, and it shall be given to you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that you mete with it shall be measured to you again.

- *First give, then it will be given to you.*

Php 4:18 But I have all, and abound: I am full, having received of Epaphroditus the things which were sent from you, an odour of a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, well pleasing to God.

- *Giving is a sacrifice, an acceptable sacrifice to God.*

Prov 11:24, 25 One man gives freely, yet grows all the richer; another withholds what he should give, and only suffers want. A liberal man will be enriched, and one who waters will himself be watered.

- *Withholding your giving (your sacrifice) leads to want.*

Prov 3:9 Honor the LORD with your substance and with the first fruits of all your produce;

- *You honor God when you give, but always give from your first fruits, not your reserves.*

Mt 6:2, 3 Therefore when you do your alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory of men. Truly I say to you, They have their reward. But when you do alms, let not your left hand know what your right hand does.

- *Don't boast about your giving or you will make the sacrifice of no effect.*

Mk 12:41-44 And a poor widow came, and put in two copper coins, which make a penny... For they all contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, her whole living."

- *Give out of what you have, not your reserves.*

Gen 4:3-5 and Abel brought of the firstlings of his flock and of their fat portions. And the LORD had regard for Abel and his offering,

- *For giving to be sacrificial it must come from your first fruits, give to God first.*

Heb 11:4 By faith Abel offered to God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts: and by it he being dead yet speaks.

- *All giving, all sacrifices are by faith*

Acts 8:20 But Peter said to him, "Your silver perish with you, because you thought you could obtain the gift of God with money!

- *Don't think you can buy a blessing from God.*

2 Cor 9:7 Every man according as he purposes in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loves a cheerful giver.

- *Give how your heart leads you, not forced. God sees the heart of the giver*

2 Cor 8:5 And this they did, not as we hoped, but first gave their own selves to the Lord, and to us by the will of God.

- *Giving of money, time and effort is pointless unless you have first given yourself to God.*