

THE GOD-KIND OF GIVING

TRUE CHRISTIAN GIVING



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Introduction

The basis of man's salvation is the first coming of Jesus Christ, which dates back as far as 2019 years ago, from the writing of this book. The purpose of the coming of Jesus Christ is mentioned in John 3:16 where it says "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, so that whosoever believes in the Son shall not perish but have everlasting life." God loved the world, and He expressed this love through *giving* His only Son, with a purpose of *redeeming* the world. Love is expressed in *giving*, and *Christian giving is sacrificial giving*.

The purpose of this book is to reveal the qualities of true christian giving and to help the modern christian understand what true christian giving is, and how it can benefit both the giver and the receiver, and how giving brings a christian closer to God.

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QUALITIES OF TRUE CHRISTIAN GIVING

John 3:16 "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, so that whosoever believes in the Son shall not perish but have everlasting life."

From our opening scripture in John 3:16, we see the motive of God's giving: **Love** "...God so loved the world that He gave..." From this opening line we see that the basis of giving is love. Giving should be a product of the love one carries towards the receiver. Love, causes one to give. It pushes one to give. It is impossible to love without giving. True love, is in giving. God, who is love, expressed himself through giving. A christian, a child of God, is a person who is led by love, to give. A person who is born again, receives the Holy Spirit of God as a seal or identification of been a child of God. The Holy Spirit is the carrier of God's love according to **Romans 5:5** "*God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us*" So, when one is truly born again of the Spirit, God's love is in them and it leads them to love, and because it leads them to love, it also leads them to give.

The motive of true christian giving is love, not pride, not for show, not out of pity, not out of compulsion, no, it is LOVE. With this first quality of giving we can check ourselves out. I want you to do this exercise: think of the last time you gave something out to someone. It might have been money, food, time or clothing, or anything you gave out. I want you to go back at that time in mind and think about what led you to give. Was it because there were others giving and so you also gave? Was it because someone asked you to give? Was it because someone was watching you and so you did it for show? Or did you do it because that's how you were brought up at home? I want you to give an honest answer about why you gave. That answer, can reveal to you if your giving was by the love of God, or by works of the flesh. If by the love of God, it will produce fruit. If by the works of the flesh, it won't do you any good.