When you enter the land the LORD your God is giving you as an inheritance, & you take possession of it & live in it, you
must take some of the first of all the soil’s produce that you harvest from the land the LORD your God is giving you & put it in a
container. Then go to the place where the LORD your God chooses to have His name dwell. When you come before the priest
who is serving at that time, you must say to him, “Today I acknowledge to the LORD your God that I have entered the land
the LORD swore to our fathers to give us.” Then the priest will take the container from your hand & place it before the altar of the
LORD your God. You are to respond by saying in the presence of the LORD your God: “My father was a wandering Aramean. He
went down to Egypt with a few people & lived there. There he became a great, powerful, & populous nation. But the
Egyptians mistreated & afflicted us, & forced us to do hard labor. So we called out to the LORD, the God of our fathers, & the LORD
heard our cry & saw our misery, hardship, & oppression. Then the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a strong hand & an outstretched
arm, with terrifying power, & with signs & wonders. He led us to this place & gave us this land, a land flowing with milk & honey. I have
now brought the first of the land’s produce that You, LORD, have given me. You will then place the container before the LORD your
God & bow down to Him. You, the Levite, & the foreign resident among you will rejoice in all the good things the LORD your God
has given you & your household. When you have finished paying all the tenth of your produce in the third year, the year of the tenth,
you are to give it to the Levite, the foreign resident, the fatherless, & the widow, so that they may eat in your towns & be satisfied. Then
you will say in the presence of the LORD your God: I have taken the consecrated portion out of my house; I have also given it to the
Levite, the foreign resident, the fatherless, & the widow, according to all the commands You gave me. I have not violated or forgotten
Your commands. I have not eaten any of it while in mourning, or removed any of it while unclean, or offered any of it for the dead. I
have obeyed the LORD my God; I have done all You commanded me. Look down from Your holy dwelling, from heaven, & bless
Your people Israel & the land You have given us as You swore to our fathers, a land flowing with milk and honey.
RETURNING TO GOD

DEUTERONOMY 14:22-29
& 26:1-15
Winston Churchill

We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.
GIVING IS WORSHIP
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WORSHIP IS AN ANCHOR
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WORSHIP IS CORPORATE & INDIVIDUAL
GIVING IS MINISTRY
Barbara Bush

Giving frees us from the familiar territory of our own needs by opening our mind to the unexplained worlds occupied by the needs of others.
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THE LEVITE
GIVING IS MINISTRY THE FOREIGNER
GIVING IS MINISTRY
THE FATHERLESS
GIVING IS MINISTRY
THE WIDOW
WHAT ABOUT YOU?
WHAT ABOUT YOU?

DOES YOUR WORSHIP HAVE A HOLE IN IT?
WHAT ABOUT YOU?

ARE YOU INVOLVED IN MINISTRY?