

Quotes to Ponder

1. Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. – Luke 12:32
2. The lyric of abundance asserts that because the world is held in the hand of the generative, generous God, scarcity is not true.
3. Survivor shows symbolize the scarcity mentality that dominates our world: Get what you can, use other people to do it, get rid of them when they stand in your way.
4. God looks for equal sacrifice, not equal gifts. We cannot give what we do not have, but we can share a generous percentage of what we do have. And the best time is to begin today! The fact is that if we wait to give until we are rich, we will never give.
5. Faith itself grows when we give generously and sacrificially. I'm the most free when I don't cling too tightly.
6. Give and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back. -- Luke 6:38
7. God is not broke. Nor is God's church. We in the church have been given all the money we need to accomplish God's purposes. The issue is obedience.
8. It is God's nature to give. You and I are fashioned after God's likeness. That means, we are made for giving. Each one of us has a need to give. Someone has said, 'We can give without loving, but we can't love without giving.'
9. Jesus spent a great deal of time establishing that our relationship to the material world has strong spiritual implications. Seventeen of the thirty-eight parables are about possessions. Of the number of various topics mentioned in the Bible while believe(ers) (ing) appear 272 times, prayer 372 times, love or loving 714 times, possessions and giving appear 2,172 times.
10. You Become What You Love. -Bumper Sticker
11. God calls us to live as stewards of every aspect of human life and the natural world. All our material resources, time, energy, and talents are to be devoted to joining God in making a world not only of peace but of well-being, health, harmony, equity, unity, freedom, and community.
12. How much can I give? Much more than I ever thought or believed. The old cliché is, 'You can't out give God!'
13. Money was meant to be our servant. But when we depend on servants too much they gradually become our masters, because we have surrendered to them our ability to run our own lives. --Philip Slater, Wealth Addictions

14. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. Hebrews 13:16
15. But who am I, and what are my people, that we should be able to offer.. . For all things come from you and of your own have we given you. 1 Chronicles 29:14
16. Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give. Matthew 20:8
17. Stewardship is nothing less than a complete life-style, a total accountability and responsibility before God. Stewardship is what we do after we say we believe. – John Westerhoff III
18. If you don't have much, but give - you will have more. But if you don't give, whatever you have will never be enough. - D.L. Moody
19. Allow God to creatively provide for your needs not your greeds.
20. To whom much is given, much is expected.
21. Christian giving is not a natural act, but a supernatural act of God in your life. It is God's grace and love that will give you the ability to give and share according to what God has given you. Your Christian giving is to be more delight than drudgery, more privilege than pressure, and more anticipation than anxiety.
22. All humans are MADE TO BE generous - because we all are made to the image of God
23. We are living in a time of great abundance, perhaps the greatest ever. Why do we act like it is a time of scarcity? Are we ruled by fear rather than love? - Ken Neher
24. Nobody makes a greater mistake than he who did nothing because he could do so little.-- Edmund Burke
25. What would the world be like if people who said, 'I did the best I could,' really did.
26. I've learned that beyond a certain comfortable style of living, the more material things you have, the less freedom you have. - Age 62
27. It is in giving that we receive. - St. Francis of Assisi
28. The more you share unselfishly, the more you live abundantly.
29. If the Lord can't get into your pocket, he probably isn't in your heart. --James Nelson
30. Like drops of water, our individual gifts merge, forming a river that flows from this community of faith out to people in need of Christ's presence in their lives.
31. To be grateful is to recognize the love of God in everything Cod has given us.
32. It's hard to imagine the freedom we find from the things we leave behind. –Michael Card
33. Gaining one's life comes in the letting go instead of the grasping.