



Generosity is our norm

Generosity is one of our values at Lighthouse. Somebody said generosity is not something we do, but an admirable quality of character, something who we are.

What is generosity? - "Generosity is giving good things to others freely and abundantly.

Greatest gift of our life- Jesus!

2 Corinthians 8:9 (NRSV) For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. Son of God humbled himself to take up a fully human life and offered himself in love to die for our sins. For a time, Christ gave up the riches of heaven for a life of poverty. This is an expression of greatest generosity ever.

Generosity is FOR us not FROM us

Philippians 4:15-17 Not that I desire your gifts; what I desire is that more be credited to your account."

God's word says Blessings are issued from generosity.

Most of us think generosity is something God wants from us, but according to Paul, it is something he wants for us.

Benefits of generosity to GIVER

1. Generosity generates growth (2 Corinthians 8:10-11, Proverbs 11:24)
2. Generosity teaches contentment (1 Timothy 6:6)
3. You will grow in Love for the Kingdom of God (Matthew 6:21).

Benefits of generosity to RECEIVER

1. Generosity blesses others. (Phil 4:15-16)
2. Generosity extends the Kingdom of God through receivers. (Matthew 6:38)
3. Generosity brings glory to the Lord from the receiver. (Phil 4:20)

Discussion

Am I a generous giver? (Personal evaluation)

What are the ways we could be generous in the Kingdom of God?

Share your testimonies as a giver and receiver of generous blessings to encourage each other.

