

## 9. VISION: Give Generously



Focus	Purpose	Key Message
Practicing generosity as a core demonstration of a disciple's attitude and obedience.	To teach that generous giving is a direct command from Jesus and is a necessary practice for both the disciple's spiritual life and the mission's financial sustainability.	Generosity is a command of Jesus that results in God's provision, and it is a key characteristic of the Kingdom of God that disciples must practice.

Jesus commands his disciples to **Give Generously** (Luke 6:38) and promises that when you give, "it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you."

Elsewhere, Jesus links generosity directly to loyalty to God, warning that wealth can become a competing master. In Matthew 6:19–24, he calls his followers to store up treasures in heaven, teaching that where one's treasure is, one's heart will be also. This warning is echoed in Luke 12:15, where Jesus cautions against greed and reminds us that life is not defined by possessions. Likewise, Luke 16:13 underscores the



incompatibility of serving both God and money, presenting generosity as a sign of true submission to God.

Disciples can practice generosity not only with money but also with their time, talents, and resources. Generosity is an expression of worship and trust in God's provision. The early church in Acts 2:45 demonstrated this by selling their possessions and goods to distribute to those in need, showing a profound commitment to one another. Discipleship must include teaching new believers to be generous, as it reflects the nature of the Kingdom of God and is a vital part of a healthy disciple's walk. This practice ensures that the mission is sustained and that the needs within the spiritual family are met.