

#### **Key Scripture**

Acts 20:35 NKJV

And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

### Attitude of the Poor Widow

Luke 21:1-4 NKJV

1 And <u>He looked up and saw the rich putting their gifts into the treasury</u>, 2 and <u>He saw also a certain poor widow putting in two mites</u>.

3 So He said, "Truly I say to you that this poor widow has put in more than all; 4 for all these out of their abundance have put in offerings for God, but she out of her poverty put in all the livelihood that she had."

### Attitude of the Heart

- ✓ The Lord sees who gives.
- ✓ The Lord sees how much is given.
- $\checkmark$  The Lord sees the manner and spirit of the giver.
- ✓ The Lord sees the heart of the giver.

### Attitude of a Poor Church

2 Corinthians 8:1-2 NLT

1 Now I want you to know, dear brothers and sisters,
what God in His kindness has done through the churches in Macedonia.
2 They are being tested by many troubles, and they are very poor.
But they are also filled with abundant joy, which has overflowed in rich generosity.

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# It's A Wonderful Life

#### Attitude of the Heart

### Keys To An Attitude of Generous Giving...

### 1. Give willingly.

2 Corinthians 8:3 NKJV

For I bear witness that according to their ability, yes, and beyond their ability, they were *freely willing*,

## 2. Give cheerfully.

2 Corinthians 9:7 NLT

You must each <u>decide in your heart</u> how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. "For **God loves a person who gives cheerfully.**"

# 3. Give from your blessings.

2 Corinthians 8:12 NLT

Whatever you give is acceptable if you give it eagerly.

And give according to what you have, not what you don't have.

## 4. Give intentionally.

2 Corinthians 9:7 NLT

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## 5. Give with thanks and praise.

1 Chronicles 29:13-14 NLT

13 "O our God, we thank You and praise Your glorious name!

14 But who am I, and who are my people, that we could give anything to You? Everything we have has come from You, and we give You only what You first gave us!

### 6. Give in faith.

2 Corinthians 9:6 NLT

Remember this—a farmer who plants only a few seeds will get a small crop.

But the *one who plants generously will get a generous crop*.

## 7. Give yourself to the Lord.

2 Corinthians 8:5 NLT

They even did more than we had hoped, for <u>their first action</u> was to <u>give themselves to the Lord</u> and to us, just as God wanted them to do.