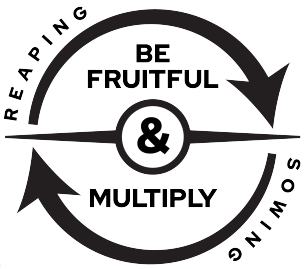
The Key to Living in God's Blessing

MULTIPLY

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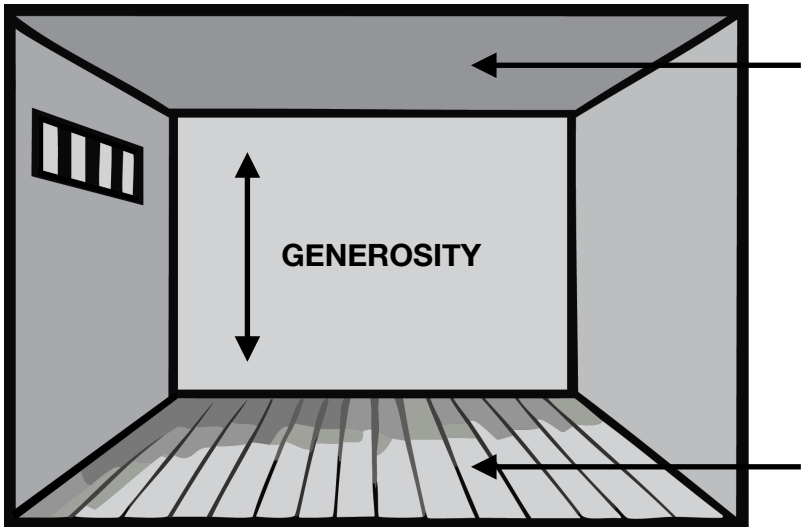


When we come to understand God's instructions from Genesis 1:28, to "Be fruitful and multiply," it answers two of the biggest questions we face in life: Who am I? And why am I here?

>> These deal with our _____ and _____.

Matthew 16:24-26 Then Jesus said to his disciples, "If any of you wants to be my follower, you must turn from your *selfish ways,* take up your cross, and follow me. ***If you try to hang on to your life, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for my sake, you will save it.*** And what do you benefit if you gain the whole world but lose your own soul? Is anything worth more than your soul?"

THE GIVING ROOM



CEILING: MY PRE-DECISION TO GIVE (2 Corinthians 9:7)

FLOOR: MY BOTTOM LINE (2 Corinthians 8:12)

Mark 12:41–44 Jesus sat down near the collection box in the Temple and watched as the crowds dropped in their money. Many rich people put in large amounts. Then a poor widow came and dropped in two small coins. Jesus called his disciples to him and said, "I tell you the truth, ***this poor widow has given more than all the others who are making contributions.*** For they gave a tiny part of their surplus, but she, poor as she is, has given everything she had to live on."

>> It's not the _____ of our generosity that impresses God. It's the _____!

Luke 6:38 For if you give, you will receive! Your gift will return to you in full and overflowing measure, pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, and running over. Whatever measure you use to give—large or small—will be used to measure what is given back to you.

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>> What's the most effective way to measure the height of one's generosity? It's the _____ of your bottom line that you're multiplying through your giving.

When pre-deciding to give, take these three things into consideration:

1. _____. Has the Holy Spirit directed me in some way that will require me to follow His lead?

2. _____. Does this decision require me to believe God will provide, or could I do this without God's help?

3. _____. Does my decision in any way press me toward greater generosity?

90 DAY CHALLENGE TO MULTIPLY:

>> I am making a faith-filled pre-decision to increase the height of my generosity. This is what my giving will look like over the next 90 days:

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Resources to fuel a summer of generosity:

- gospelpatrons.org/media
- generousgiving.org/videos
- generousgiving.org/resources
- ncfgiving.com/library

