

Generosity: Week 1

Memory Verse: 2 Corinthians 9:7b “give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.”

The Bible passage that this verse comes from is about being generous to others. Later in the same chapter, the Bible tells us that the people were freely giving gifts to the poor. How can you plan to freely give to others even more during the Christmas season?

We know that God gave us the best gift ever when He gave us Jesus. God chose to give us a way to be with Him forever and God gave us a way to become adopted into His own family. The Lord also provides all that you need: our food, our clothes, our home, our families. The Bible actually tells us that God wants to give us more than we could ever think or ask. (Ephesians 3:20) Take time to tell God thank you for being generous to you.

Describe of a gift you can make or ask a parent to help you buy that you can give generously to someone else.
What person's name would you write on the gift tag?

Dig Deeper into What the Bible Says about Generosity:



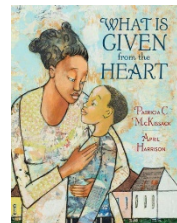
Proverbs 11:24-25 “One person gives freely, and still grows richer; another person withholds what he should give (or keeps all of his belongings to himself), and only suffers want (This person only wants things all the time and that is like suffering.) Whoever brings blessings will be enriched, and one who waters will himself be watered.”

(Parenthesis indicate words not found in the Bible that I wrote to help you understand.)

Fiction Connection

What is Given from the Heart by Patricia C. McKissak

This book tells the story of a poor boy that watches his mother give generously and finds a way to be generous in his own way.



Generosity: Week 2

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The definition of generosity is being willing to give more than is usual. Someone who is generous is often called open handed or big hearted. An ordinary person might give a hungry person a piece of bread. A generous person would take all of the food from their own lunch and give it to the hungry person.

Mark each box to show if the person is acting kind or very generous.		
	Kind	Very Generous
A boy shares a bite of his cake with his sister.		
A man takes off his coat to put it on a little boy that is cold.		
A girl gives her doll to another little girl that has no toys.		
A woman chooses one of her old pairs of shoes to give to a clothing drive.		
A dog lets another dog share its bone.		
A missionary chooses to sell his car to help build a building for the church.		
A boy gives all of his blocks to a little boy.		
A rich man gives twenty dollars.		
God gives His only Son.		
Jesus gives His life for us.		
Jesus gives His life for us.		

Dig Deeper into What the Bible Says about Generosity:



Luke 21:1-4 “Jesus looked up and saw the rich putting their gift into the offering box, and He saw a poor widow put in two small copper coins. And He said, ‘Truly, I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all of them. For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty put in all she had to live on.’”

Non-Fiction Connection

The Giving Book by Ellen Sabin

This workbook can help you think of all the different ways that you can get involved in being generous.

