



Sermon Excerpts:

***“Biblical Generous Grace Monetary Giving”***

***Other Examples of Biblical Giving***

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**Proverbs 3:9** “Honor the LORD with your wealth, possessions, and everything you own; give God an offering with the first and best part of all your income.”

Biblical Generous Grace Monetary Giving is the action of people with resources and people in need to engage in the regenerative and circulatory flow of material, human, financial, and natural resources led by people of faith.

**Mark 12:41-44** “Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents. Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, “Truly I tell you; this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on.”

Jesus notices her and her giving and makes mention of it...

**1 Kings 17:8-16 (NLT)** “So he went to Zarephath. As he arrived at the gates of the village, he saw a widow gathering sticks, and he asked her, “Would you please bring me a little water in a cup?” As she was going to get it, he called to her, “Bring me a bite of bread, too.” But she said, “I swear by the LORD your God that I don’t have a single piece of bread in the house. And I have only a handful of flour left in the jar and a little cooking oil in the bottom of the jug. I was just gathering a few sticks to cook this last meal, and then my son and I will die.” But Elijah said to her, “Don’t be afraid! Go ahead and do just

what you have said but make a little bread for me first. Then use what is left to prepare a meal for yourself and your son. For this is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: There will always be flour and olive oil left in your containers until the time when the LORD sends rain, and the crops grow again!" So, she did as Elijah said, and she and Elijah and her son continued to eat for many days. There was always enough flour and olive oil left in the containers, just as the LORD had promised through Elijah."

**1 Corinthian 9:11, 14** "If we have planted the spiritual seed that has been of benefit to you, is it too much if we receive part of the harvest from your earthly goods?" In the same way, the Lord has commanded that those who spread the Good News should earn their living from the Good News."

**1 Timothy 5:17** "The elders who perform their leadership duties well are to be considered worthy of double honor (financial support), especially those who work hard at preaching and teaching the word of God."

**Galatians 6:6** "The one who is taught the word [of God] is to share all good things with his teacher contributing to their spiritual and material support."

"She had neither precedent nor example for such an act and for such a hope" (James Smith).

- Biblical Generous Grace Monetary Giving will strengthen the ministry, outreach, and stability of the Tabernacle of Glory congregation.
- Biblical Generous Grace Monetary Giving is not a money-raising scheme. It is a soul-growing, character-developing program.
- Biblical Generous Grace Monetary Giving is to honor God with your substance; it is worship—a concrete expression of my love to God.
- Biblical Generous Grace Monetary Giving is an external act reflecting internal conditions that we give tangibly that God may be publicly glorified.