

# “More Blessed To Give”

(A Christmas Message about Giving and Receiving)

Acts 20:35 and Selected Scriptures

As we think about giving and receiving it is important to...

**“Remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive.”** (Acts 20:35)

Receiving is a blessing!

Why is the giver blessed?

**When you give** (whether it's your time, money, a helping hand, the Gospel Message or Christian Service)...

- 1. You get back JOY and HAPPINESS knowing you did right**  
(John 13:12-17; Proverbs 14:21)
- 2. You LEND TO THE LORD; and He repays well**  
(Proverbs 19:17; Luke 6:38; Deuteronomy 15:7; Matthew 10:42)
- 3. You are a faithful steward with what God gave you, so HE WILL ENTRUST YOU WITH MORE** (Luke 16:10-11)
- 4. You are ACTING LIKE GOD, who gives & gives** (Luke 6:35-36; James 1:17)
- 5. You fulfill a major purpose for your life on earth and show YOU REALLY CARE about others** (1 John 3:18; 1 John 3:17; James 2:16)

What can we give to others to show that we really care for them?

- Our substance (food, clothing, etc.);
- Our service (a helping hand);
- Our Time;
- The Gospel etc.