

Living The Blessed Life
A Change Of Heart
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Introduction - In order to have a truly blessed life, we must have a **GENEROUS HEART**.

- Luke 6:36-38

I. **MOTIVATION** For Giving

- Context for our motivation
- “Give and it shall be given to you” should be our reward, not our motivation.
- Having the spirit of giving rather than getting
- Motives are everything - Proverbs 16:2, James 4:3

II. A **SELFISH** Heart

- Selfishness keeps us from having compassion for others
 - Deuteronomy 15:7-11
- Greed and selfishness are not proper motives for giving
- God wants to change us from selfish takers to generous givers
 - Joshua 1:8 (NLT)

III. A **GRIEVING** Heart - Deuteronomy 15:10

- The Lord instructs us not to grieve after we have been obedient in giving
- Selfishness can attack before we give but grief can attack us after we give
- How do we combat grief? With proper perspective regarding “your” money.

IV. A **GENEROUS** Heart - Deuteronomy 15:12-14

- We are called to give liberally from what God has blessed us with
 - Deuteronomy 15:15
- A liberal hearted person gives quickly and generously because he knows it all belongs to God
- Giving generously drives selfishness and greed out of our lives

Conclusion - If we have an unselfish, generous and **GRATEFUL** heart, we are well on the road to living a blessed life.

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