

THANKS | GIVING
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James 1:16-18 (NIV) ¹⁶ Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. ¹⁷ Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. ¹⁸ Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

I KNOW EVERY GOOD THING I HAVE COMES FROM GOD

Psalms 63:4-5 (NIV) ⁴ I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name I will lift up my hands. ⁵ I will be fully satisfied as with the richest of foods; with singing lips my mouth will praise you.

Ecclesiastes 6:9 (ESV) Better what the eye sees than the roving of the appetite. This too is meaningless, a chasing after the wind.

GRATITUDE TURNS WHATEVER I HAVE INTO ENOUGH

1 Timothy 6:6-10 (ESV) ⁶ Yet true godliness with contentment is itself great wealth. ⁷ After all, we brought nothing with us when we came into the world, and we can't take anything with us when we leave it. ⁸ So if we have enough food and clothing, let us be content. ⁹ But people who long to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many foolish and harmful desires that plunge them into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰ For the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. And some people, craving money, have wandered from the true faith and pierced themselves with many sorrows.

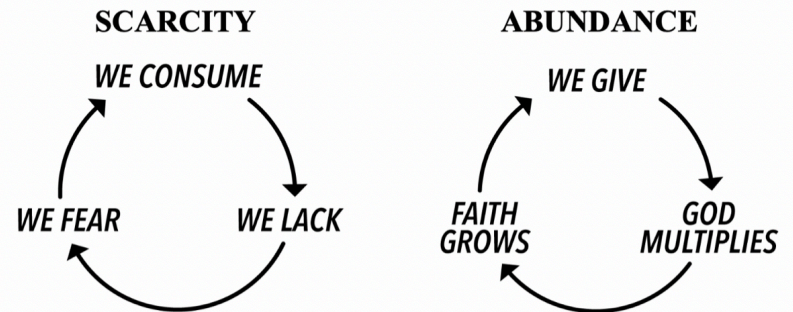
I WILL NOT LET WHAT I WANT ROB ME OF WHAT I HAVE

GRATITUDE LIFE HACK | PRACTICE GENEROSITY

2 Corinthians 9:9-12 (ESV) ⁹ "He has distributed freely, he has given to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." ¹⁰ He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. ¹¹ You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God. ¹² For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God.

OUR GENEROSITY MULTIPLIES THANKSGIVING TO GOD

GIVING AND GENEROSITY ARE TWO DIFFERENT THINGS



A HEART FULL OF GRATITUDE WILL LEAD TO

A LIFETIME OF GENEROSITY

2 Corinthians 9:12-15 (NLT) ¹² So two good things will result from this ministry of giving—the needs of the believers in Jerusalem will be met, and they will joyfully express their thanks to God. ¹³ As a result of your ministry, they will give glory to God. For your generosity to them and to all believers will prove that you are obedient to the Good News of Christ. ¹⁴ And they will pray for you with deep affection because of the overflowing grace God has given to you. ¹⁵ Thank God for this gift too wonderful for words!