

Financial Freedom

Reasons Why I Give

I. Introduction

II. Reasons why I give

- A. I like myself better when I give.
1. John 3:16 *“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.”*
- B. Because God instructs me to give.
1. Luke 6:38 *“Give, and it will be given to you. They will pour into your lap a good measure—pressed down, shaken together, and running over.”*
 2. Matt. 6:19-21 ¹⁹*“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. ²⁰But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in or steal; ²¹for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”*
 3. Prov. 11:24-25 ²⁴*“There is one who scatters, and yet increases all the more, And there is one who withholds what is justly due, and yet it results only in want. ²⁵The generous man will be prosperous, And he who waters will himself be watered.”*
 4. Ezek. 36:26 (NIV) *“I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh.”*
- C. I promised my church family I would be a giver.
1. Matt. 5:37 *“But let your statement be, ‘Yes, yes’ or ‘No, no’; anything beyond these is of evil.”*

- D. I give in order to position myself for God's blessing and protection .
1. Mal. 3:8-12 ⁸“Will a man rob God? Yet you are robbing Me! But you say, ‘How have we robbed You?’ In tithes and offerings. ⁹You are cursed with a curse, for you are robbing Me, the whole nation of you! ¹⁰Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in My house, and test Me now in this, says the LORD of hosts, if I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you a blessing until it overflows. ¹¹Then I will rebuke the devourer for you, so that it will not destroy the fruits of the ground; nor will your vine in the field cast its grapes, says the LORD of hosts. ¹²All the nations will call you blessed, for you shall be a delightful land,” says the LORD of hosts.
- E. I truly believe in the mission of our church .
- F. To be an example to my children .
- G. To hear God say to me, “ Well done , good and faithful servant.”
1. Matt. 25:23 “His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful slave. You were faithful with a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.’”

III. Conclusion

(Unless otherwise indicated all Scripture verses are in the New American Standard Version.)