

How To Make A Difference In Your World * Part 1: Generosity * Acts 4:32-35

The first step in making a difference in our world is to learn to be _____!

Acts 20:35 - "It is more blessed to give than receive."

Acts 2 - the church shares all things in common

Acts 4 - believers sell their possessions and give to those in need

Acts 6 - the church distributes food to widows and orphans

Acts 15 - council of church leaders decide the primary focus of the church is outreach to the poor.

Being a Follower of Christ means being a _____!

Anyone who wants their life to make a difference must be willing to _____ than _____

Ways to can become a person of generosity:

1. _____ Let Go Of Your Possessions!

Acts 4:32

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The problem is not in what we have, it's in _____ to what we have.

"Misery" - "Miser"

2. Invest In _____ Rather Than _____!

Acts 4:34

The early church made a difference because they believed that it is better to _____ than it is to _____.

Generosity & giving was completely _____.

People were selling _____ possessions, not _____ possessions

The principle of changing lives, not accumulating possessions should influence the way we _____, and the way we _____.

3. _____ To Give Generously!

Matthew 10:8 - "Freely you have received. Freely give."

Resources:

NIV
NCV
NLT
Logos Bible Study Software
Contagious Generosity by Chris Willard and Jim Sheppard
The Treasure Principle by Randy Alcorn
Financial Peace University by Dave Ramsey
The Marks Of A Christian: Generosity by Dr. Robert McKenzie
The Seven Pillars Of Wisdom, #3: Generosity by Dan Cormie