

STEWARDSHIP

Scripture is filled with incredible examples of God's generosity and the generosity of his people. There is an invitation to each one of us to give of our time, talents, and resources to God and our neighbour.

When the apostle Paul addresses the Corinthian church in 2 Corinthians 8:1-2, we read:

And now, brothers and sisters, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches. In the midst of a very severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity.

The grace that God had given the Macedonian church resulted in rich generosity! Generosity is truly a gift of God and that becomes even more evident when we read the verse from Acts 20:35, where Paul says farewell to the Ephesian elders:

In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive'.

Jesus frequently addresses the topic of money, wealth and possession in his ministry and in the Bible, we can find more verses dedicated to this topic than to 'faith' or 'prayer'. We are called to be a generous people and our stewardship can continue to be a part of our discipleship journey.

Thank you for your generosity and please get in touch with Brigit Kiyaga if you would like to explore these topics in your parish. E: missionresources@exeter.anglican.org