



# THE PROOF OF LIFE

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**A. Proof on the Power of Giving from the Words of Jesus**

*Acts 20:32-35*

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**Truth #1: It is blessed to receive.**

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**Truth #2: The person who gives is more blessed than the person who receives.**

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**B. Why Giving Is More Blessed than Receiving**

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**1. It breaks a spirit of selfishness and self-consciousness off of us.**

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**2. It breaks a mind-set of entitlement and poverty.**

*Acts 20:33–35; Genesis 12:1–3*

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**3. Giving is dynamic, and receiving is static.**

*Luke 6:38*

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**4. Giving is in my control and releases the power of a universal law of God. Receiving puts me at the mercy of someone else giving to me and isn't a universally promised experience—unless we are givers.**

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**5. Giving is eternal, and receiving is temporal.**

*Matthew 6:19–21*

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**6. Giving keeps my heart turned toward the object of my affection.**

*Matthew 6:21*

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**7. Giving reveals to me the reality of God's presence, love, and faithfulness in my life.**

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*What is the Holy Spirit saying to me through this message?*

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*Scripture is from the New King James version of the Bible.*