

#10 Today's Generosity Gives Me Significance

Why Generosity Matters Today

1. Giving turns your focus _____ .

Generosity changes one's focus from self to others.

“How delightful is the company of generous people, who overlook trifles and keep their minds instinctively fixed on whatever is good and positive in the world around them. People of small caliber are always caring. They are bent on showing their own superiority, their knowledge or prowess or good breeding. But magnanimous people have no vanity, they have no jealousy, they have no reserves, and they feed on the true and solid wherever they find it. And what is more, they find it everywhere.”

— VAN WYCK BROOKS

2. Giving _____ to others.

U.S. President Woodrow Wilson said it this way: “You are not here merely to make a living. You are here in order to enable the world to live more amply, with greater vision, with a finer spirit of home and achievement. You are here to enrich the world, and you impoverish yourself if you forget the errand.”

3. Giving helps the _____ .

King Solomon said,

*“The world of the generous gets larger and larger;
the world of the stingy gets smaller and smaller.
The one who blesses others is abundantly blessed;
those who help others are helped.”*

You cannot light another's path without casting light on your own.

Civil rights leader Martin Luther King, Jr., said, “Life's most persistent and urgent question is, ‘What are we doing for others?’” How you answer that questions is a measure of your generosity. And the more generous you are, the greater your opportunity to do something significant for others.