1 Timothy 6:17-19 NLT

Teach those who are rich in this world not to be proud and not to trust in their money, which is so unreliable. Their trust should be in God, who richly gives us all we need for our enjoyment. Tell them to use their money to do good. They should be rich in good works and generous to those in need, always being ready to share with others. By doing this they will be storing up their treasure as a good foundation for the future so that they may experience true life.

Fear <u>limits</u> our generosity and <u>restricts</u> our blessing, Faith <u>increases</u> our generosity and <u>expands</u> our blessing!

2 Corinthians 9:6-11 NLT

Remember this—a farmer who plants only a few seeds will get a small crop. But the one who plants generously will get a generous crop. You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. "For God loves a person who gives cheerfully." And God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others. As the Scriptures say,

"They share freely and give generously to the poor. Their **good deeds will be remembered forever.**" For God is the one who provides seed for the farmer and then bread to eat. In the same way, **he will provide and increase your resources** and then produce a great harvest of generosity in you. Yes, you will be enriched in every way so that you can always be generous.

Your generosity <u>returns</u> are measured by your generosity <u>investment</u>

Your generosity must be genuine and joyful

Your generosity is never <u>missed</u> or <u>unrewarded</u>

Your generosity is based on God's <u>resources</u> not your <u>income</u>

^{***}Response already in WG***