



December 8

## Giving to the Poor & Needy

### TODAY'S TREASURES



Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the LORD, and he will repay him for his deed. ~ PROVERBS 19:17 (ESV)

The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor. ~ PROVERBS 22:9 (NIV)

Those who shut their ears to the cries of the poor will be ignored in their own time of need. ~ PROVERBS 21:13 (NLT)

Those who give to the poor will lack nothing, but those who close their eyes to them receive many curses. ~ PROVERBS 28:27 (NIV)

But when you give to someone in need, don't let your left hand know what your right hand is doing. Give your gifts in private, and your Father, who sees everything, will reward you. ~ MATTHEW 6:3-4 (NLT)

If someone has enough money to live well and sees a brother or sister in need but shows no compassion—how can God's love be in that person? Dear children, let's not merely say that we love each other; let us show the truth by our actions. ~ 1 JOHN 3:17-18 (NLT)

And don't forget to do good and to share with those in need. These are the sacrifices that please God. ~ HEBREWS 13:16 (NLT)

Their only suggestion was that we keep on helping the poor, which I have always been eager to do. ~ GALATIANS 2:10 (NLT)

### MORE TREASURES

Matthew 6:1-4; 25:31-46; Psalm 41:1; James 1:27; 2:14-17;  
Proverbs 14:21,31; 29:7; 31:8-9; Acts 20:35; Romans 12:13;  
Ephesians 4:28; 2 Corinthians 9:1-15

### PRAYER

*Lord, I pray that You will give me more compassion for the poor and needy  
and enable me to be discerning of their true needs.*

*Amen.*