

10 Pro Tips: Teaching Kids Sacrificial Giving & Generosity

- 1. Use 3 Jars: Give, Save, Spend**
Help kids divide their money into three jars. Encourage them to put the "give" jar first — teaching that giving comes before getting.
- 2. Tell Stories of Giving Heroes**
Read Bible stories (like the widow's mite or the boy with the loaves and fish) or share real-life examples of generous people. Make generosity something to admire.
- 3. Let Kids Give Their Own Gifts**
Whether it's birthday money or allowance, allow children to decide what portion to give. Ownership turns giving into joy, not duty.
- 4. Make Sacrifice Visible**
Skip a treat or meal out as a family to give that money away instead — then talk about how it felt and what it meant.
- 5. Celebrate Every Act of Generosity**
Praise the heart behind even the smallest gift. "You gave because you love — that's just like Jesus!"
- 6. Visit Where Your Gifts Go**
Take kids to see the impact of giving — a food pantry, a missions display, or even photos from church updates. Connect giving to people and stories.
- 7. Let Giving Be a Worship Act**
Bring kids with you when you give at church. Let them drop in the envelope or scan the giving code themselves — and pray over the gift together.
- 8. Set a Family Giving Goal**
Choose a project or cause together (e.g., sponsor a child, buy a goat for a village, stock a blessing box) and track your progress with visuals.
- 9. Talk About Tithing as Trust**
Help kids understand tithing not as paying a bill, but as trusting God first with what we've been given — and watching how He provides.
- 10. Teach That Giving Isn't Always Money**
Encourage generosity with time, kindness, creativity, and prayer. Generous hearts are about *how* we live, not just *what* we give.



10 Bible Verses for Kids About Giving, Generosity & Tithing (NlrV)

1. **2 Corinthians 9:7**

"Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give. You shouldn't give if you don't want to. You shouldn't give because you are forced to. God loves a cheerful giver."

2. **Luke 6:38**

"Give, and it will be given to you. A good amount will be poured into your lap. It will be pressed down, shaken together and running over. The same amount you give will be measured out to you."

3. **Proverbs 11:25**

"Anyone who gives a lot will succeed. Anyone who renews others will be renewed."

4. **Mark 12:43-44**

"This poor widow has put more into the offering box than all the others. They all gave a lot because they are rich. But she gave even though she is poor. She put in everything she had."

5. **Malachi 3:10**

"Bring the entire tenth to the storerooms in my temple. Then there will be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Lord. "Then you will see that I will open the windows of heaven. I will pour out so many blessings that you will not have enough room to store them."

6. **Acts 20:35**

"We must remember the words of the Lord Jesus. He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

7. **1 Timothy 6:18**

"Tell them to do good, to be rich in doing good things. They must give freely. They must be willing to share."

8. **Proverbs 3:9**

"Honor the Lord with your wealth. Give him the first share of all your crops."

9. **Matthew 6:21**

"Your heart will be where your riches are."

10. **Hebrews 13:16**

"Don't forget to do good. Don't forget to share with others. God is pleased with those kinds of offerings."

