

Does Your Giving Matter?

Do you think God knows what we give? Do you think he cares?

Each day we have 24 hours of time...do you think God cares whether or not we share part of that time in an act of love and service for someone else? The talents you have been given; does God care whether or not we use them to bring light and hope into a world of brokenness? We all have money... does God care whether we are tight fisted or generous givers?

I think God knows about us and our giving. I also think he cares deeply. Why? Because God created us in his image and part of that image is being a giver. Secondly, God wants us to have abundant life. Jesus says, "I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly." He is speaking about now, not the hereafter. Abundant means more than having stuff and money. Abundant means having hope and joy and the only way it happens is when we give of ourselves in the service of others. Generous givers understand what abundant living is all about.

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