

# #ThatsWhatLoveDoes

*"Making it a way of life."*

## Order of Service November 29, 2015

Worship Team .....	You Are Good
Greeting/Welcome	
Worship Team .....	Open Up The Heavens
	10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)
	Let It Be Known
Message .....	Pastor Matt Bunn
Offering/Announcements/Dismissal	

The key to living a life-style of missional living is generosity.

3S givers – spontaneous, sporadic and sparing

...*"It is more blessed to give than to receive."* **Acts 20:35**

Generosity is the premeditated, calculated, designated emancipation of personal financial assets.

### 1. Generous people have a plan.

*Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Cor. 9:6-7 (NIV)*

### 2. Generous people have an amount.

*Now about the collection for the Lord's people: Do what I told the Galatian churches to do. On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with your income, saving it up, so that when I come no collections will have to be made. Then, when I arrive, I will give letters of introduction to the men you approve and send them with your gift to Jerusalem. If it seems advisable for me to go also, they will accompany me.*

**1 Corinthians 16:1-4 (NIV)**

Woe to you, teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites! You give a tenth of your spices—mint, dill and cumin. But you have neglected the more important matters of the law—justice, mercy and faithfulness. You should have practiced the latter, without neglecting the former. You blind guides! You strain out a gnat but swallow a camel.

**Matthew 23:23-24 (NIV)**

3P givers – percentage, priority, progressive

### **3. Generous people give out of conviction.**

- a. Out of their passions.
- b. Out of their love for the Lord.

*“Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.’ “Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’ “The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’*

**Matthew 25:34-40 (NIV)**

*If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. **I Corinthians 13:3 (NIV)***

I can say no because I’ve already said yes.

### **4. Generous people are blessed by the Lord.**

*Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen: to loose the chains of injustice and untie the cords of the yoke, to set the oppressed free and break every yoke? Is it not to share your food with the hungry and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter—when you see the naked, to clothe them, and not to turn away from your own flesh and blood? Then your light will break forth like the dawn, and your healing will quickly appear; then your righteousness will go before you, and the glory of the Lord will be your rear guard. Then you will call, and the Lord will answer;... **Isaiah 58:6-9 (NIV)***