

A close-up photograph of a person's hands working on a wooden structure in a workshop. The person is wearing a green shirt. The background is bright and slightly blurred, showing a window and some wooden beams. The word "BUILD" is overlaid in a large, dark, textured font, centered horizontally. The letters are filled with a dark, patterned texture that matches the background of the text box.

BUILD

A GENEROUS CHURCH

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“Anytime people do life together, as the church is called too, there will be lots of opportunities to be generous on every occasion. That includes our finances, but it is so much more than that. We will show the gospel as we are generous with one another in a multitude of ways (5).”

~ Aron Osborne



I. What Makes A Good Church 'Good'?



1 Peter 4:8-11



**The Gospel of Jesus
Christ transforms us
so that we may live
generously!**



II. The Gospel Transforms Us, Enabling Us To Live Generously!



III. Three Ways We Express Generosity In The Church From 1 Peter 4:8-11



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1. Generous in Love



“Christians are uniquely clear about the nature of humankind. We know before we start on a friendship that this person will probably occasionally let us down. We understand this. We know that even Christians have their treasure in clay pots, and



**although we often contact
treasure we sometimes come up
against the clay pot! Christians'
should be unshockable and
therefore able to sustain
friendship. We know about the
apostle Peter's denial and King
David's adultery. We**



**understand flesh and blood.
BUT we also understand grace
and redemption...”**

**~ Terry Virgo
*Spirit Filled Church, pg. 81***



1. Generous in Love
2. Generous with Time





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2. Generous with Time
3. Generous with the Gifts
God has Given Us





**“Where a people treasures God
above all that money can buy;
and where a people
understands the biblical
teaching that the movement of
your money expresses the
movement of your heart; and
where a people grasps that the**



local church is crucial for God's work in the world, that people – that church – will have what it needs to pursue God's mission of mercy and evangelization, and to build up the body of Christ; all the while every



**member and family in it will be
cared for...that's the meaning of
that moment in worship: "We
treasure you, O God, in this very
service by valuing you over the
money that we are giving up.
We prefer the joy we receive in**



**seeing your mission advance.
That's what we say with our
offering every weekend."**

~ John Piper Sermon



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IV. Concluding Thoughts



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A. Three Questions



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B. One Assertion



