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GIVERS AND TAKERS (PART 3)

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"...remember the words of the Lord Jesus: it is more blessed to give than to receive." Acts 20:35 NKJV



It is important that we all value giving time with our family. Over the years the family structure has deteriorated and much of it is because people do not spend time together. Children tend to be takers and not givers in the family. It is understood the parents are givers to the children providing them the necessities of life. But our children could learn more about being givers of their time and support to the family relationship. Most of the children do not believe they have to contribute anything to the family. I'm not referring to money, but I am referring to responsibilities.

It was good for us as children in my day to participate in the upkeep of the home. Our giving was in the realm of household chores, such as kitchen duties, cleaning the home (dusting and vacuum), maintaining a clean bathroom and an orderly and clean bedroom. These activities required us to give our time as it meant we could not spend all of our time doing only what interest us. We were also taught ways to give honor and show regard to one another, particularly our parents. An example of that would be buying or making a birthday card for one another's birthdays. These simple ideas taught us how to be givers.

Some people are natural givers but most of us need to be trained to give. Don't you think it's time to start thinking of ways to teach your children and/or grandchildren how to be givers? Take some time and exercise the art of giving in your own life to those you live with or others in your circle. It truly is more blessed to give than to receive!

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