

The Happy Giver

THE HAPPINESS DARE

2 Corinthians 9:6-9 (NLT) Remember this—a farmer who plants only a few seeds will get a small crop. But the one who plants generously will get a generous crop. 7 You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. "For God loves a person who gives cheerfully." 8 And God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others.

What Makes a Giver Tick?

- Givers love: to _____ others.
- If a Giver had tomorrow afternoon free: they would enjoy it most by doing whatever those _____ to them preferred to do.
- Givers connect with God by: seeing how their earthly pleasure of _____ intersects with the heavenly joy of God, who is the giver of all gifts.
- Givers would be lost without: their _____ to help others.
- People say Givers are: _____, helpful, and generous.
- If a Giver is at a dinner party: they might have _____ the gathering.

Red Flags for Givers

- Givers are outside their happiness sweet spot when: they forget about _____.

GIVERS CAN RUN THE RISK OF BEING PEOPLE _____.

THEY MAY BE TEMPTED TO SEE PEOPLE AS _____.

- Be careful not to make your giving more about _____ than others.
- People who aren't afraid to speak truth to a Giver would say: Givers have a hard time saying _____.
- A Giver can feel unsettled when: their attempts to help others _____ to produce the happiness they had hoped for.

- A Giver can feel they've let God down when: they have to say no to someone who has asked them to _____ .
- A Giver feels shame when: people second-guess their _____.
- A Giver can shame others when: others don't see the same _____ that they see.

How To Be The Happiest Giver

- Givers will be in their sweet spot when: they _____ give out of the love that Jesus gives them.
- Givers will stay in their sweet spot when: there are _____ attached to their giving.
- Givers will have to watch for signs of _____ .
- Givers avoid shaming themselves when: remembering the _____ in which we were all created.
- Givers avoid shaming others by: realizing others were _____ for their own sweet spots.
- You can love the Giver in your life by: giving them what they want most of all - an _____ to help you and see that your needs are met.

Giving is countercultural because it puts "me" _____.

Isaiah 58:10-11 If you spend (give of) yourselves in behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will rise in the darkness, and your night will become like the noonday. 11 The LORD will guide you always; he will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and will strengthen your frame. You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail.

Acts 20:35remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' "

The ultimate Giver was _____.

Psalms 118:24 This is the day the LORD has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it.

Hebrews 12:2 fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross....