

# Giving Gift

“Giving” – The Metal Detector

**Romans 12:8** “If you have the grace-gift of Giving to meet the needs of others, then may you prosper in your generosity without any fanfare.”

## Discover & Impart

- Supernatural favor
- Generosity & quality of excellence
- Networking gift – connections
- Strategic with resources
- Vision to meet needs with resources



### 1. Expression of Christ:

- a. Revelation of inheritance
  - i. **Galatians 3:29**
- b. Connected us to the heavenly reserves
  - i. **Hebrews 7:25**
- c. Impartation
  - i. **Matthew 10:1**

### 2. Strengths:

- a. Has a knack for locating undiscovered resources
- b. Grace to see value in the seemingly worthless things
- c. Divine sense of investing and understanding return on investment
- d. Able to find secret treasures in hidden places – as well as in people

### 3. Weaknesses:

- a. Tendency to take on a hero complex; helping people outside of God’s leading
- b. Struggles with boundaries of what to impart/share and what not to
- c. May get involved with too many causes and become stretched – network mode
- d. “Look what I built” complex – *Deuteronomy 8:18*

### 4. Blind Spots:

- a. Can be so focused on resources that they miss God’s will – *Just because you have it doesn’t mean you should give it.*
- b. Discernment
- c. Tend to enable people, especially manipulative personalities

### 5. When Tired or Unhealthy:

- a. May tend to retreat out of offense
- b. Develop feelings of being underappreciated
- c. Feel used; be done with people

## 6. When Maturing in Temperance:

- a. Decision-making is strategic and clear
- b. Discernment is strong
- c. Cautiously appraises opportunities before getting involved
- d. Keeps humble of heart, not ostentatious; acknowledging God is the giver of all prosperity and increase.

## 7. The Enemy's Tactics:

- a. Religious spirits may accuse, "You're greedy, un-spiritual, materialistic"
- b. To keep you preoccupied with obtaining, discovering and creating wealth – *"seek first the kingdom and His righteousness..."* **Matthew 6:33**
- c. Convince you that you're worthless without material resources – *you are not what you have or don't have!*

## 8. Wisdom for Maturity:

- a. The giving gift is not just about giving but also discovery
- b. Growing in wisdom and discernment will be your greatest protection
- c. Be faithful with the little and He will entrust you with the much – **Luke 16:10**
- d. Reassess your focus often so your resources don't pull you off track – *What is God calling you to focus your resources on? Why has He entrusted you with treasures? Where is your treasure being spent?*

## 9. Function in the Church:

- a. Impartation of resources for missions & soul impacting
- b. Helping find the resources to grow and expand the vision
- c. Equipping the body to understand inheritance promises of the kingdom

## 10. Function in the Marketplace:

- a. Entrepreneurial – creating and generating resources
- b. Network and marketing
- c. Funding and finding resources to build

## 11. Wisdom in Marriage:

- a. Establish unity with your spouse about what is appropriate to give/share
- b. Seek the treasure in your spouse – be careful not to be too preoccupied with networking and generating resources outside of your home
- c. Discern the emotional capacity of your spouse

## 12. Wisdom in Parenting:

- a. Give and live generously with your kids; teach them to prosper in generosity
- b. Be a gold-finder – draw out the talents and gold in your family
- c. Teach your kids to generate resources and to honor **Deuteronomy 8:18**