The Harness Devotional

16 November – 21 November, 2026

Stewardship and Generous Giving

Scripture: Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness." — 2 Corinthians 9:10

Song of the Week: "Gratitude" by Brandon Lake
"Gratitude" captures the heart of stewardship and giving back to God. It reminds believers that our resources, our praise, and our very breath belong to Him. It encourages a posture of releasing everything back to the One who gave it all.

Monday: The Source of the Seed

Scripture: "Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness." — 2 Corinthians 9:10

Reflection: True stewardship begins when we realize that we own nothing; we are simply managers. God is the ultimate Provider who gives us "seed" to sow into others and "bread" for our own daily needs. When you view your finances and time as resources on loan from God, it transforms how tightly you hold onto them.
Prayer: Lord, remind me today that everything I have belongs to You. Give me the wisdom to manage Your resources well and the vision to see where You want me to sow.

Tuesday: The Testing Ground

Scripture: “Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,” says the Lord Almighty, “and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.” — Malachi 3:10
Reflection: Malachi 3:10 contains the only place in Scripture where God explicitly invites us to test Him. Tithing isn't about God needing our money; it is about testing our hearts. Giving the first ten percent is a tangible declaration that we trust God’s ability to bless the ninety percent more than our own ability to stretch the one hundred percent.
Prayer: Father, I want to trust You completely with my finances. Help me to step out in faith, bring my tithe to You, and watch You open the floodgates of heaven.

Wednesday: The Posture of the Heart

Scripture: “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 Corinthians 9:7
Reflection: God values the attitude behind the gift far more than the amount on the check. Forced giving or giving out of guilt brings no joy to the giver and does not honor the Father. Cheerful giving happens when we are so overwhelmed by God's generosity toward us that generosity naturally overflows from our hearts.
Prayer: Holy Spirit, guard my heart against reluctance or duty-bound giving. Turn my duty into delight, and help me to give cheerfully and freely.

Thursday: Generous Sowing, Generous Reaping

Scripture: “Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously.” — 2 Corinthians 9:6
Reflection: Farmers understand that the size of their harvest is directly tied to how much seed they are willing to scatter. If we clutch our resources out of fear of lack, we limit the harvest God wants to produce through us. Generous sowing isn't just about financial return—it reaps a harvest of joy, eternal impact, and deeper faith.
Prayer: Lord, cure me of a scarcity mindset. Give me the courage to sow generously into Your kingdom, trusting that You will multiply the harvest.

Friday: Enriched to Bless

Scripture: “You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.” — 2 Corinthians 9:11
Reflection: God does not pour blessings into our lives to build a dam; He pours them in to create a river. When God increases your income, resources, or talents, it is often not to raise your standard of living, but to raise your standard of giving. You are blessed to be a conduit of blessing to a hurting world.
Prayer: Jesus, let me be a conduit, not a cul-de-sac. Use the resources You have given me to meet the needs of others and bring thanksgiving to Your name.

Saturday: The Indescribable Gift
Scripture: “Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!” — 2 Corinthians 9:15

Reflection: Paul concludes his entire teaching on giving by pointing directly to the cross. We can only practice true stewardship and radical generosity because we serve a radical Giver. God set the ultimate standard of generosity by giving us Jesus. When we live with a heart posture of gratitude for this "indescribable gift," giving generously becomes our natural response.
Prayer: Father, thank You for the ultimate gift of Your Son, Jesus. Let the reality of His sacrifice on the cross be the driving force behind my generosity today and every day. Amen.