

# MAKING SPACE





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Praise the LORD!

How joyful are those who fear the LORD  
and delight in obeying his commands.

<sup>2</sup> Their children will be successful everywhere;  
an entire generation of godly people will be blessed.

<sup>3</sup> They themselves will be wealthy, and their good  
deeds will last forever.

<sup>4</sup> Light shines in the darkness for the godly.

They are generous, compassionate, and righteous.

Psalm 112 NLT



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<sup>5</sup> Good comes to those who lend money generously and conduct their business fairly.

<sup>6</sup> Such people will not be overcome by evil.

Those who are righteous will be long remembered.

<sup>7</sup> They do not fear bad news;

they confidently trust the LORD to care for them.

<sup>8</sup> They are confident and fearless and can face their foes triumphantly.

Psalm 112 NLT



<sup>9</sup> They share freely and give generously to those in need.

Their good deeds will be remembered forever.

They will have influence and honor.

<sup>10</sup> The wicked will see this and be infuriated.

They will grind their teeth in anger; they will slink away, their hopes thwarted.

Psalm 112 NLT

Biblical generosity is expressed through  
open *hands* and an open *heart*.

Generosity is an expression of *living wisely*.

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Generosity isn't just a sign of virtue. It's also a mark of intelligence. People with high IQs have more unselfish values, give more to charity, and negotiate better deals for others. They prioritize the long-term collective good over short-term self-interest. It's smarter to be a giver than a taker.

Adam Grant

A pair of tan sneakers is positioned on a baseball field, with the text "MAKING SPACE" overlaid in a bright green, bold, sans-serif font. The sneakers are centered in the lower half of the image, and the text is placed directly in front of them. The background shows the texture of the baseball field's infield dirt and a dark blue base path.

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<sup>9</sup> But people who long to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many foolish and harmful desires that plunge them into ruin and destruction.

<sup>10</sup> For the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. And some people, craving money, have wandered from the true faith and pierced themselves with many sorrows.

1 Timothy 6:9-10 NLT

# Roadblocks to Generosity

Misplaced **love**.

**Debt**

**Fear**

Generosity reflects the **heart of God!**

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Don't love money; be satisfied with what you have.  
For God has said,

“I will never fail you.  
I will never abandon you.”

Hebrews 13:5 NLT



## *Homework*

How can I make space for generosity in my life that reflects the heart of God?