Generosity as Worship

Psalm 103:1-5

⁹For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich. (2 Corinthians 8:9)

HOW DO WE RESPOND?

We _give_ back to honor him

⁶ . . . bring your burnt offerings and sacrifices, your tithes and special gifts, what you have vowed to give and your freewill offerings, and the firstborn of your herds and flocks.

⁷There, in the presence of the Lord your God, you and your families shall eat and shall rejoice in everything you have put your hand to, **because the Lord your God has blessed you.** (Deuteronomy 12:6,7)

²²Be sure to set aside a tenth of all that your fields produce each year.
²³Eat the tithe of your grain, new wine and olive oil, and the firstborn of your herds and flocks in the presence of the Lord your God at the place he will choose as a dwelling for his Name, so that you may learn to revere the Lord your God always. (Deuteronomy 14:22,23)

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an **offering** and come into his courts. (Psalm 96:8)

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. (Romans 12:1)

We _give_ forward to _trust_ him

³³But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. (Matthew 6:33)

²⁵A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed. (Proverbs 11:25)

⁶Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. (2 Corinthians 9:6)

¹⁰Now 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. ¹¹You 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 9:10,11)

¹⁸I have received full payment and have more than enough. I am amply supplied, now that I have received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent. They are a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God.

¹⁹And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:18,19)