

AUGUST 28

“DON'T HOLD IT BACK. GIVE IT RIGHT AWAY!”

READ

Proverbs 3:27-28

This is great instruction for employers or those who hire people for services, or hire them in their homes. The Lord doesn't appreciate stinginess. He's not a stingy God. He appreciates a giving spirit in His children. If God has been good to you, you ought to be good to somebody else. If God has blessed you immensely, you ought to bless others graciously. If you have the power for good in your hand, such as tipping a server or paying a repairman, don't hold it back. Give it right away. Don't make people wait. Treat them the way you want to be treated. God says, "Do not say to your neighbor, come back tomorrow." Give it right now. You know I've been convicted of this for many years. When I go out to eat, I make sure that I give a gratuity to the server that makes them know I am a thankful participant in their service. There's a blessing in that. I can't tell you how many times God has returned it to me. I had the power in my hand to do it. I gave it away. I blessed somebody, and I am a blessed person because of it.

PRAY

Jesus, help me to give because You give so much to me. Help me to not hold my fist tight because You are the one that gave it to me anyway. I am blessed to be a blessing. Who can I bless today?

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