

### MESSAGE NOTES

### Freely Give Freely Receive

Proverbs 11:24 Loyd Flaherty

## 1. To be able to freely give and freely receive love is key to connection with others.

Q. Is your giving and receiving helping to build relationship with others? Our giving and receiving should be to build bridges and help connect with others.

Jesus tells the 12 disciples to give freely just as they had freely received (Matthew 10:8)

#### 2. Gift vs Bribe

Only God knows the heart but sometimes it becomes obvious by a person's attitude or behaviour that the gift had "strings attached".

Judas received 30 pieces of silver to betray the Lord Jesus.

(Matthew 27:3-9)

# 3. When people toss away friendships for personal gain it ends up destroying them.

#### Proverbs 11:24

"One person gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty."

The heart of God is for us to be connected to one another in love.

#### Conclusion

My prayer for all of us is that we put the focus on building up one another and building up the community of believers. Freely give, freely receive — it's the relationship that counts, not the gift.