In a Word - Benevolence - Proverbs 9:17

| I. Benevolence in the Old Testament | |
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| 1. | Benevolence can be defined as an act of |
| 2. | The people were to willingly open their wide to the poor. (Deut. 15:7–8) |
| 3. | Part of the was to be saved for the priest and the poor. (Deut. 14:28–29) |
| 4. | Leftovers from the H V were to be left for the poor. (Deuteronomy 24:19–21) |
| 5. | Job's benevolence caused the widow's heart to for (Job 29:12–13) |
| 6. | He who has on the poor lends to the LORD, and He will what he |
| | has given. (Proverbs 19:17) |
| 7. | By acts of kindness, one's shall dawn in the (Isaiah 58:10) |
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| II. Benevolence in the New Testament | |
| 8. | Jesus came preaching the and the sick. (Matthew 4:23) |
| 9. | Pure and undefiled R N is defined in part by helping others. (James 1:27) |
| 10. | With what sacrifices is God well pleased? (Hebrews 13:16) |
| 11. | and it will be to you. (Luke 6:38) |
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| III. Benevolence on the Day of Judgment | |
| 12. | It is if we know to do but then don't do it. (James 4:17) |
| 13. | How can the of God abide in us if we shut our hearts to the needy? |
| | (1 John 3:17–18) |
| | a. We must not only show our love in but in and |
| 14. | People at the Great Judgment are found worthy of reward because they: (Matt. 25:31–32) |
| | (1) Preached the best sermons (2) Helped the needy. (3) Built the greatest church buildings |
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| IV. Conclusion: Benevolence of the Church | |
| 15. | The disciples of the early church sent to the brethren in Judea. (Acts 11:29) |
| 16. | Jesus said, "It is more blessed to than to" (Acts 20:35) |