

The Benefits of Benevolence – Ecclesiastes 11:1-6

I. Cast Your Bread Upon the Waters (v. 1-2)

1. Cast your bread upon the waters, for you will _____ it after many days.
2. What is the source of every good gift? (James 1:17) _____
3. If we have two coats, what should we do with one of them? (Luke 3:11)

4. We work so that we have something to give to the person who has _____. (Eph. 4:28)
5. What happens when we freely give to the poor? (Proverbs 19:17; Luke 6:38)
The Lord will _____

II. Don't Hold Back (v. 3-4)

6. If we wait for the perfect situation to help others, then we will do ___ T ___ N ___.
7. Concerning the Good Samaritan, Jesus said, " _____ and _____ likewise." (Luke 10:37)
8. The person who freely gives will ___ C ___ S ___ more, but the one who holds back will become ___ OO ___. (Proverbs 11:24)

III. Trust in God (v. 5-6)

9. As the result of our benevolence, can we know every outcome? _____
10. The Lord's ways _____ than our ways, and His thoughts are _____ than our thoughts. (Isaiah 55:9)
11. What results from the prayer of faith? (James 5:15) The sick are _____
12. Jesus said, "It is more ___ SS ___ to give than to receive." (Acts 20:35)
13. We should take every ___ P ___ T ___ T ___ to do good for all people.
(Galatians 6:10)
14. If you extend your soul to the _____ and satisfy the afflicted soul, then your _____ shall dawn in the darkness, and your darkness shall be as the noonday.
(Isaiah 58:10)