

## **Blessing the Poor**

**1 Samuel 2:8** He raises the poor from the dust  
And lifts the beggar from the ash heap,  
To set them among princes  
And make them inherit the throne of glory.  
"For the pillars of the earth are the Lord's,  
And He has set the world upon them.

**Psalm 41:1-3** Blessed is he who considers the poor;  
The Lord will deliver him in time of trouble.  
**2** The Lord will preserve him and keep him alive,  
And he will be blessed on the earth;  
You will not deliver him to the will of his enemies.  
**3** The Lord will strengthen him on his bed of illness;  
You will sustain him on his sickbed.

**Psalm 72:12-14** For He will deliver the needy when he cries,  
The poor also, and him who has no helper.  
**13** He will spare the poor and needy,  
And will save the souls of the needy.  
**14** He will redeem their life from oppression and violence;  
And precious shall be their blood in His sight.

**Psalm 109:31** For He shall stand at the right hand of the poor,  
To save him from those who condemn him.

**Psalm 112:9** He has dispersed abroad,  
He has given to the poor;  
His righteousness endures forever;  
His horn will be exalted with honor.

**Proverbs 14:21** He who despises his neighbor sins;  
But he who has mercy on the poor, happy is he.

**Proverbs 14:31** He who oppresses the poor reproaches his Maker,  
But he who honors Him has mercy on the needy.

**Proverbs 19:17** He who has pity on the poor lends to the Lord,  
And He will pay back what he has given.

**Proverbs 22:9** He who has a generous eye will be blessed,  
For he gives of his bread to the poor.

**Proverbs 28:27** He who gives to the poor will not lack,  
But he who hides his eyes will have many curses.

**Luke 3:11** He answered and said to them, "He who has two tunics, let him give to him who has none; and he who has food, let him do likewise."

**Luke 10:35-37 "On the next day, when he departed, he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said to him, `Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I come again, I will repay you.'**

**36 "So which of these three do you think was neighbor to him who fell among the thieves?"**

**37 And he said, "He who showed mercy on him." Then Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."**

**Luke 12:33-34 "Sell what you have and give alms; provide yourselves money bags which do not grow old, a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches nor moth destroys.**

**34 "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.**

**Luke 19:8-9 Then Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord, I give half of my goods to the poor; and if I have taken anything from anyone by false accusation, I restore fourfold."**

**9 And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he also is a son of Abraham;**

**Acts 2:44-45 Now all who believed were together, and had all things in common,  
45 and sold their possessions and goods, and divided them among all, as anyone had need.**

**Acts 4:32 Now the multitude of those who believed were of one heart and one soul; neither did anyone say that any of the things he possessed was his own, but they had all things in common.**

**Acts 4:34-37 Nor was there anyone among them who lacked; for all who were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and brought the proceeds of the things that were sold,**

**35 and laid them at the apostles' feet; and they distributed to each as anyone had need.**

**36 And Joses, who was also named Barnabas by the apostles (which is translated Son of Encouragement), a Levite of the country of Cyprus,**

**37 having land, sold it, and brought the money and laid it at the apostles' feet.**

**Acts 20:32-35 "So now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified.**

**33 "I have coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel.**

**34 "Yes, you yourselves know that these hands have provided for my necessities, and for those who were with me.**

**35 "I have shown you in every way, by laboring like this, that you must support the weak. And remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He said, `It is more blessed to give than to receive.'**

**Romans 12:13 distributing to the needs of the saints, given to hospitality.**