

# 25 Ways to Win with People, Lesson #21

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These kind of questions (except with more Bible verses!) are available every week for you to use during your Bible study time. Lessons correspond with three of Lifeway's series. I have been doing this for years and more than 2000 lesson are available with new ones added each week. See [www.joshhunt.com/sunday-school.htm](http://www.joshhunt.com/sunday-school.htm) for details.

#### Review

- What have you learned so far? What have you been able to apply so far?

#### Give with no strings attached

1. Let's start with what the Bible says. What are some verses on giving and generosity that come to mind?
2. Proverbs 11.25.<sup>1</sup> Why do generous men prosper?
3. Proverbs 22.9.<sup>2</sup> What blessings come to those who are generous?
4. What do we learn about generosity from 2 Corinthians 8.1 - 7?<sup>3</sup>
5. What are some ways in which God displays his generosity?
6. How does it benefit us to be generous?
7. What keeps us from being generous?
8. Why does having strings attached ruin giving?
9. What are some ways you can be generous with your family? What are some ways you can be generous with your group?
10. The authors cite Covey in discussing an abundance versus a scarcity mind set. What is the difference and how does it affect generosity?
11. Would you say most people tend to have a scarcity or abundance mind set?
12. Would you say you tend to fall naturally into a scarcity or abundance mind set?
13. Who is an example of someone who has been kind and generous to you?
14. How do you want to apply the teachings of this chapter?
15. How can we pray for one another this week?

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<sup>1</sup>A generous man will prosper; he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed. Proverbs 11:25 (NIV)

<sup>2</sup>A generous man will himself be blessed, for he shares his food with the poor. Proverbs 22:9 (NIV)

<sup>3</sup>And now, brothers, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches. (2) Out of the most severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. (3) For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, (4) they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the saints. (5) And they did not do as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then to us in keeping with God's will. (6) So we urged Titus, since he had earlier made a beginning, to bring also to completion this act of grace on your part. (7) But just as you excel in everything--in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in your love for us--see that you also excel in this grace of giving. 2 Corinthians 8:1-7 (NIV)