



GENEROUS LIVING

ALL OF ME
IN RESPONSE TO ALL OF HIM
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You've heard the old saying, "A lost ball in the high weeds" haven't you? Well, our back yard isn't considered "high weeds" by any stretch of the imagination, but sure enough the baseball was laying in our back yard again this morning. Seems the kids next door will occasionally hit the ball hard enough to clear the privacy fence that separates our back yards. So I throw it back over the fence only to have it returned in a few days.

It occurs to me that sometimes we are like the lost ball that's out-of-bounds, and out of bounds is a terrible condition to be in. Rather than allow us to remain abandoned in the "high weeds," Jesus gave His life for us. The choice to be "lost" or "safely within His bounds" is ours. If we choose to accept Him as our Savior and Lord, He will return some day and take us home where we will never be "lost" again.

God has promised us a generous life in Malachi 3:10.

If we are faithful to keep His commandments and return His tithe and our offerings, God has promised to open the windows of Heaven and pour out more blessings than we can hold. He does not promise us money but blessings that He has designated especially for us.

Tithing is also a choice we make; but, it is not optional. The Bible is clear that tithe belongs to God. If we make the deliberate choice to not return it to Him, we are like a lost ball in the high weeds—we are out of bounds.

Make the choice to live generously and give generously. It is **ALL OF YOU IN REPONSE TO ALL OF HIM!**

— Adapted from a worship selection by Donald Eckenroth, Retired, formerly serving as Pastor, Executive Secretary, and Conference Director



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“For I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD. “They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope.” Jeremiah 29:11

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