

Thank You for Giving

Ray Boltz in 1988 wrote a song entitled, “Thank You For Giving to the Lord.” The gist of the songs story is that the singer dreams he goes to heaven with a friend. As they are walking the golden streets people approach his friend and tell stories of how unknowingly he through service or money given had impacted their lives. After each story the chorus rings out these words,

“Thank you for giving to the Lord. I am a life that was changed. Thank you for giving to the Lord. I am so glad you gave.”

One of the verses says this,

“One by one they came far as the eye could see. Each life somehow touched by your generosity. Little things that you had done, Sacrifices made, unnoticed on the earth in heaven, now proclaimed.”

The point of the song is that we serve and give here on earth never knowing the outcome until eternity. What we find is that even little acts make huge impacts upon furthering the Kingdom.

This morning as we take up our offering I want to remind you that every gift given helps us make a difference. We are impacting lives here in our city and around the world. We can do what we do because of your generosity.

While the song by Ray Boltz might be fiction I do believe that heaven will be filled with stories of what gifts like your today have meant to countless millions of people. As we enter into this season of Thanksgiving I simply wanted to say, thank you for your gifts.