

Something Beautiful for God

The story of our Church is filled with giving people who were really happy. These people were happy because they knew they were true friends of God. They had generous spirits. They looked for ways to love God by loving others. Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta is one of these people.

As a young nun, Teresa traveled to Calcutta, India, to teach at a school for girls. During that time, she was deeply moved by the number of sick and dying people on the streets.

One day, she heard God calling her. She felt called to share God's generous love with people she saw. She did just that. She took care of the sick and dying. She washed them and cleaned their sores. She fed them and gave them fresh water. She found a place that she could bring them to and give them a home.

Eventually, other women joined Teresa. Some of these women were her former students. Soon she started an order of religious women called the Missionaries of Charity. Over time, the Missionaries of Charity built homes throughout the world to care for the poor.

In 1979, Mother Teresa received the Nobel Peace Prize. Millions of people admire her life of holiness and love. She is an example of humble and generous service. In 2003, she was beatified, or named Blessed Teresa of Calcutta, by Pope John Paul II.

 Mother Teresa's simple message was, "We are put on Earth to do something beautiful for God." How can being generous help a person do this?

Disciple Power



Generosity

Generous people freely share what they have. They share because of their love for God and for people. Generous people truly believe that we are all members of the family of God.

