

# CHARITY

# צדקה

*Charity is equal in importance to all other commandments combined.*  
(Talmud Baba Bathra 9a)

*One who increases charity, increases peace.*  
(Ethics of Our Fathers 2:7)

*The blessing of charity is greater for the person who gives than for the person who receives.*  
(Midrash Rabbah Leviticus 34:10)

*Whoever does charity and justice is regarded as if he filled the whole world with kindness.*  
(Talmud Sukkah 49b)

*You shall open your hand wide to your brother, to your poor, and to your needy*  
(Deuteronomy 15:11)

*[To those who give charity] test Me now says the Lord of Hosts [I will] pour down for you blessing until there will be no room to suffice for it.*  
(Malachi 3:10)

*He loves charity and justice; the earth is filled with the loving kindness of the Lord.*  
(Psalms 33:5)

*He who is kind to the poor, happy is he.*  
(Proverbs 14:21)

Charity - Tzedakah in Hebrew - is a mainstay of Jewish life. Literally translated as "justice" tzedakah tells us that sharing what we have with others is the honest and just thing to do. No matter how much you were blessed with, you can always share with others. Dropping a coin into a charity box every morning (except for Shabbat and Jewish holidays) sets the tone for the rest of the day. Please make it a daily habit.

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