

Generosity is self-existing openness, complete openness. You are no longer subject to cultivating your own scheme or project. The best way to open yourself up is to make friends with yourself and with others.

Chögyam Trungpa

The point here is to understand interdependence. A very easy approach is to think about who you are today. Everything you've become and achieved as a comprehending individual have come about through the collective kindness of countless individuals who brought you into being. You would not have had an education without others giving it to you. Your learning, understanding, skills, and your birth, itself, would have never occurred without the contributions of others. But does the human mind think about this?

If you do not take time to think of yourself as a gathering of the kindnesses of others, you may begin to associate the development of your own kindness with doing "favors" for others.

Jetsun Khandro Rinpoche

Generosity is the ornament of the world.
Through generosity, one turns back from the lower realms.
Generosity is the stairway to the higher realms.
Generosity is the virtue that produces peace

The Buddha from *'The Sutra of the Recollection of the Noble Three Jewels'*