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At the mall. I was walking with my daughter in between the lovelies displayed.

She pointed to a toy. It's a small soccer toy. She has been a football lover; so she picked it.

We met a couple with their little boy.

We both queued for payment.

The boy loved the soccer toy with my daughter. He pointed at it. He made move.

My daughter fluttered her hands back hiding the toy with a No.

You know kids! He persisted.

The mom shunned him. He cried.

I kept watching.

My daughter went to meet the boy; Handed him the soccer toy.

Almost immediately, the boy stopped crying.

The mom tried to give it back; I said it's okay. Let him have It.

The boy's Dad held my daughter in his hand. Took her back where toys are displayed. Urged her to pick anyone of her choice. She pointed at a three-legged bicycle.

I refused it. He insisted. That's okay, he said

I was numbed.

He also paid for the soccer toy.

I was thankful.

My daughter loves the bicycle.

Why did I share this?

Life is all about giving. More of giving than receiving.

Showing compassion. Showing love, Kindness, Selflessness, and Mercy.

In our lives, there are somethings we've in possession that are not meant for us, we may have got them due to 'plentiful'.

But we hoard them. We prevent worthy others whose life it will make meaning to, from having them.

Many of us have wears not our size. Shoes smaller or bigger than our foots. We hoard them.

Many of us have spoilt foods that should have been long given out before expiration'.

I am not in any way encouraging wastrels or being gullible.

We know what's ours and what's not.

The best way to receive what we rightfully deserve; is by giving out those things that will change other people lives in our care.

Only then are we going to have those unimaginable great things that will properly fit in for us.

Those things are usually the best we can not ordinarily get.

But Only GIVING can.

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