

They build with one hand and demolish with the other (Saint John of Kronstadt)

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20160512 2 Almsgiving is a good and God-pleasing effort, provided you make sure to rid your heart of pride, wickedness, envy greed, deceit and other passions. Unless people try to cleanse their hearts and if they rely solely on their almsgiving, they won't receive much benefit. Because they're building with one hand and knocking down with the other.