Tuesday 31st May 2022

Proverbs 19:17 "He who is kind to the poor lends to the Lord,

and he will reward him for what he has done."

Proverbs 22:9 "A generous man will himself be blessed,

for he shares his food with the poor."

Matthew 10:42 "And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is my disciple, I tell you the truth, he will certainly not lose his reward."

The escalating cost of living is all across the media. Energy and food prices soar and will go up again in the autumn. Some people will barely notice. Some will need to make adjustments. Many, too many will suffer badly particularly where there are children.

Scripture makes it perfectly plain that God expects us to consider the poor and disadvantaged particularly if we are advantaged. Jesus emphasises any providing for a child is really giving to God so long as it is given unselfishly and without any expectation of thanks or praise. A clear message for us in these dark and darkening days.