



HEART FOR THE HOUSE
Part 7: #GENEROSITY
Sermon Small Group Questions
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USING THIS SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

We have provided all the Scriptures referenced in the sermon and some discussion questions for you to use to facilitate a discussion.

This Sermon Discussion Guide is only a tool to aid you in meeting the needs of your group. For most groups, there are too many questions to answer in one session together.

While the questions are important, remember your small group's goal is not to pound through the questions but to create an atmosphere that will foster true friendships, so knock yourself out with the discussion questions but spend more time laughing than answering the questions.

We will lead the way with irrational generosity. We truly believe it is more blessed to give than receive. #GO

[Proverbs 11.25, NLT]

The generous will prosper; those who refresh others will themselves be refreshed.

A life not lived for others is not a life.

- Mother Theresa

[Acts 20.25, NLT]

And I have been a constant example of how you can help those in need by working hard. You should remember the words of the Lord Jesus, 'It is more bless to give then to receive!'

***Generosity is not a financial position; it is a heart condition.
(It's not about having a bank roll; it's about having a big heart.)***

Generosity is not just giving money; it's giving a piece of yourself to someone in need.

[Proverbs 22.9, NLT]

Blessed are those who are generous.

Blessing Is God's Favor

God's favor finds you.

Doors open for you.

God sees that you are giving "out," so He flows resources "into" your life so you have more to give "out."

[Proverbs 19.17, NLT]

If you help the poor, you are lending to the Lord--and He will repay you.

[Philippians 4.19, NLT]

"...And this God who takes care of me will supply all your needs from His glorious riches, which have been given to us in Christ Jesus."

***When you become the resource, then more resource comes to you!
God resources the resource!***

[2 Corinthians 9.6-8, NLT]

Remember this--a farmer who plants only a few seeds will get a small crop. But the one who plants generously will get a generous crop. You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. 'For God loves a person who gives cheerfully.' And God will generously provide all you need. Then, you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others.

Expressions of Irrational Generosity

- 1. Our Irrational Generosity Toward Others. [Luke 10.30-37]**
- 2. Our Irrational Generosity Toward Jesus. [Luke 7.36-39]**
- 3. God's Irrational Generosity Toward Us. [John 3.16; Philippians 2.6-8]**

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. What is something good that you witnessed or experienced which seemed irrational at the time?**
- 2. Why is it that generosity does not come naturally to human beings?**
- 3. How can generosity touch our emotions and memories? How has that impacted you in the past?**
- 4. Of your time, talents, and treasure, which do you like to give the most? Which is the easiest for you to receive?**
- 5. Where, in your current sphere of influence, are you best positioned for Irrational Generosity? What would a practical step look like?**
- 6. How has God's generosity in sending His Son affected the generations in your family? (grace, forgiveness, healing, purpose...)**
- 7. What's one way that you can be Irrationally Generous to Jesus this week?**