

Week 3 | LEADER GUIDE

All In | Jesus is Generosity

THE GOSPEL AND GENEROSITY

The Gospel reveals the ultimate act of giving: God's sacrificial love in sending Jesus Christ to save humanity. John 3|16 expresses this truth most clearly: "For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son..." God's generosity is the foundation of the Gospel, demonstrating His grace in giving us what we could never earn—salvation, forgiveness, and eternal life.

This generosity transforms how we live. When we truly grasp the depth of God's grace, it compels us to reflect *His* giving with *our* generosity. The Apostle Paul highlights this connection when he teaches: "For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor, so that you through His poverty might become rich." (2 Corinthians 8|9). Because of what Jesus has done for us, generosity is not merely an obligation for obedience, but a joyful response to God's love and a way to participate in His redemptive work!

By practicing generosity, we live out the Gospel, responding to God's giving by giving to others. When we give generously, it points others to the goodness of God. It's an expression of faith, gratitude, and a tangible way to embody the message of grace we have received.

March 2 Parent Event: All In Family Equip

As you prepare to go all-in with your family, you're invited to the "All In Family Equip" where you'll gain practical tools to disciple your children in the area of generosity. You'll receive valuable resources and guidance for creating impactful family conversations that can transform your hearts and home. Ice cream will be provided!

Resources:

[Right Now Media](#): Right Now Media is an online library devotional material for people of all ages and stages of faith. Through 2|42, we provide everyone with access to all of the content at no cost. You can set up your account through the link above or find it on our website under "resources." There are several generosity studies in the library, including one our church produced a few years ago. We highly recommend: "Practicing the Way: Generosity Practice" by John Mark Comer. Quite a bit of the content from that study, including the first three practices for this series, come from "Practicing the Way."

Other Resources:

[Guidebook](#) (highlight the appendixes and the journaling area. We will use that for the "practice" this week)

[Generosity Discipleship Tool](#)

[Freed Up \(\\$99\)](#) is a Biblically-based financial management tool. If you think you or someone in your group could use a tool like this, we recommend it. There is a cost to get the notebook and app.

GATHER

- What did your practice of generosity look like this week?
- When it comes to simplicity and generosity, what internal or external obstacles are you facing?
- What new questions and thoughts about generosity are coming to the surface for you?

DISCUSS

Did anything stand out from this week's teaching that you'd like to discuss?

Read John 3|16

- *What does it mean that God gave his son?*
- *How has your life been impacted by God's love?*

Read 2 Corinthians 8|1-5

- *What stands out to you in this?*
- *What does it teach us about stewardship and generosity?*
- *Have you ever adjusted your lifestyle and priorities in order to give to something you strongly believed in?*

PRACTICE

Spend time listening to God about money and generosity. (Journal through the prompts in your All-In Guidebook Appendix Week 3.1 – 3.4)

There are quite a few questions, and some of them will cause pretty deep thinking. Consider reading through the questions as a group and talking about how to keep each other accountable to actually journaling through the prompts. We recommend:

- *Leaders send a reminder message to the group 1-2x this week*
- *Pair up and encourage people to connect with each other three days before your group meets next week.*
- *Spouses journal separately, but get together and discuss their answers before group next week.*
- *Consider involving older children in your conversations about what you're learning and how it's impacting you.*

PRAY

How can we be praying for one another?