

5th + 6th grade devotional

But since you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love we have kindled in you—see that you also excel in this grace of giving. 2 Corinthians 8|7

week 1: gratitude

Matthew 6|25–34, Psalm 100

God is generous to us

Read Matthew 6|25–34

Jesus tells us not to worry because God provides all we need. What are some things that God has provided for your family?

Psalm 100 is a Psalm praising God for who He is and all that he has done. What would a Psalm of praise look like for your family? Write one together and then spend some time praising God as a family.

week 2: generosity

John 6|5–11

God is generous with us so we should be generous with others

What does it mean to be generous? How does thinking about being generous make you feel?

Read John 6|5–11 together

Do you think it was easy or hard for the boy to be generous and share what he had?

When is it easy for you to share what you have? When is it hard?

2|42 Students wants to practice generosity as a community. We are holding a {space holder for what we choose to do}.

week 3: the best gift

John 3|16–18

Jesus is the greatest act of generosity

Read John 3|16–18 out loud. Read it a second time slowly. Now, read it one more time.

This might be the most memorized passage of scripture. Why do you think that is? What do these verses mean to you? How has your life been impacted by God's love?

Accepting Jesus as our savior is the first step in following him. If that is a step you are ready to take, please reach out to your small group leader or student pastor. If you are already a follower of Jesus, spend some time in prayer asking God to help you identify your next step in the journey of discipleship.

week 4: radical generosity

Luke 10|25–37

We can all be good Samaritans

Read Luke 10|25–37

What happened to the man in the parable Jesus shared? Who helped him? How was the good Samaritan generous?

Why do you think Jesus used this story to teach about loving our neighbors? Who is our neighbor?

How can you be like the good Samaritan? How will you use your time, talent and/or treasure to love your neighbors?

week 5: celebrate

Luke 12|16–21

Generosity is something to celebrate!

Read Luke 12|16–21

What did the rich fool have? What does this parable tell us is better than earthly riches?

In what ways can you grow your relationship with God this year? How does generosity play a part in that? Celebrate what God has done this past month in you and through you!