

Date of Sermon: September 13, 2020

Topic of Sermon: *Generosity*

Main Passage: Luke 9:11-27

BEFORE your group meeting:

- **Participate in Worship** in-person or online to hear the sermon you will be discussing.
 - You can also catch-up on YouTube or at https://www.foresthill.org/en/on_demand
- **Encourage your group members** to watch the sermon and take a closer look at the Scripture that is used.
- **Look over the questions** provided below and think through your own responses.
- **Plan your meeting.** The Dig Deeper section is great to use in your group discussion (if there's time) or you can send it out to your group members after the meeting for their personal devotion time.
- **Pray for the Spirit** to use your group discussion to encourage dynamic life in Christ in each of you.

What's the Big Idea?

Every gift comes from God.

Get Started

- Describe a time when you gave generously to a need and it's affect on you.
- Have you ever received an unexpected gift from someone that met a need at a critical time? How has that affected your generosity when you become aware of a need?

Dive into the Sermon

- Jason mentioned in his sermon that “everything” we have is a gift from a gracious and loving God. **How does that impact how you live your life each day?**
- In the Parable that Jason read in Luke 19:11-27, he indicated from the story the harsh reality that there is no neutrality, either you are with Jesus or you are not! **Where do you see yourself fitting in that parable? Are you a 10 mina person? A five mina? or are you holding tightly to what you have?**
- **What risks have you taken with the gifts (time, talent and resources) you have been given by God?**
- Read Luke 12:29-33. **What does this passage indicate about the nature and character of God and how we should respond?**

Dig Deeper into a Scripture Passage

Use the HEAR Bible Reading Method to learn more what the Bible teaches us about joy.



Bible-Reading Tip: Begin by asking God to open your eyes and hearts to His Word. In 1 Corinthians 2:6-16, Paul writes that the Spirit – who lives inside everyone who believes in Jesus – knows the depths of God and reveals Him to those who follow Jesus. So, always begin your time of reading the Bible with a prayer for Him to open your eyes and ears to what He will reveal. This doesn't mean that you will always have an emotional encounter or a special revelation, but you are acknowledging that He is that One through whom all wisdom is revealed.

Luke 12:34 (CSB)

“For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

Additional Scriptures: Heb. 13:5; 2 Corinthians 8:2, 2 Corinthians 9:6-7

HEAR Bible Reading Method

HIGHLIGHT the passage

- Underline any repeated words or key ideas you see.
- Note any questions you have about what you read.
- In 2-3 sentences, summarize what was said or what happened.

EXPLAIN the passage

- What was revealed about God? His character, desires, and/or actions?
- What was revealed about people? What we are/do or what we should be/do?

APPLY the passage

- From this reading, what truth do you need to embrace?
- By God's power, how will you THINK, SPEAK, or ACT differently based on what you read?

RESPOND to the passage

- Talk to God about what you've seen and learned in this passage.
- Ask Him to help you apply the truth to your life.