

Week 5: I Will Give Generously

(Corresponding to message on Nov. 1 & Chapter 6 in book)

Opening Prayer

Ice Breaker:

What is the most spontaneous, daring thing you have done in the last year?

Opening Question:

Spend 2-3 minutes going around your small group and share a time when someone acted generously towards you and how that impacted your life...

Discussion Questions:

1. Why have some church members developed a consumer mind-set of the church? How does that affect their giving to the church?
2. Read 2 Corinthians 8:1-6 & 9:6-15.
 - a. List as many principles of giving as you can find.

 - b. What are some of the ways you would describe a cheerful giver as Paul writes in 2 Corinthians 9:7
3. Why should giving be motivated by a willing desire rather than legalistic guidelines? How would Jesus answer this question?

Application:

4. How can I give like the churches of Macedonia, that Paul mentions in 2 Corinthians 8:1?
5. What needs to change in my life so that I can go through life with open hands instead of a closed fist?
6. Pray for direction on how you can become a more generous person.

Closing Prayer