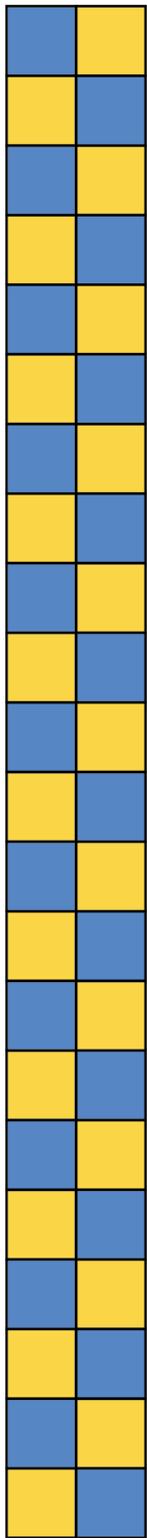


IT'S TIME FOR DIFFERENT



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Week 10 - It's Time to Be Generous

SERMON RECAP:

Talking about money and giving is often seen as taboo, but all of life is worship—including finances. We can worship God with our generosity.

As followers of Christ, we are generous because God has been so generous with us. We wiped away the debt of sin and freed us from death and evil.

We can be generous in many ways—one way in which Christ followers can display generosity is by giving to the church.

This is because giving:

- is an act of worship and a measure of our discipleship.
- is a test to see if our love is genuine.
- is an indication that we know the grace of King Jesus.
- is an indicator of how much we trust God.

We are being invited into freedom and abundance, into trusting that God is our ultimate Provider.

But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be provided for you. - Matthew 6:33 CSB

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

Upward

- Read 2 Corinthians 8:1-9. Pay attention to verse 9, how did Jesus display generosity?
- What was the purpose of His generosity?

Inward

- Read 2 Corinthians 8:2. What was the financial state of the believers in Macedonia? Why do you think they had abundant joy despite extreme poverty?
- When have you endured financial hardship? Was anyone generous with you during this time?
- Do you have a hard time trusting God to provide for your needs? Why or why not?
- Read Matthew 6:33. What does it mean to seek first the Kingdom of God?

Outward

- How can you be generous with others? Whether you have much or little, there is always an opportunity to give to others.

SOUL TATTOO:

When you know God's grace, generosity overflows.

ACTION STEP:

Start giving generously this week!