

# GROWING IN GENEROSITY!

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Let's Be Generous!

1 Timothy 6:18-19 NIV'84 MEMORY VERSE

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Barry Cameron, "We never look more like God than when we give."

Philemon 1:6 NLT

Let's be generous! Let's #GiveLikeGodGave!

John 3:16 NIV'84

Acts 20:35 NIV'84

Acts 2:44-45, 47b NLT

Barry Cameron, "Besides being contagious, our generosity provides a platform for us to present Christ to a watching, wandering and bewildered world...generosity reflects the character of God...we never look more like God than when we give."

Let's be a church known for contagious generosity in Jesus' name! I'm in—are we?

Proverbs 11:25 NIV'84

"All you can take with you is that which you give away!" - Unknown

Matthew 25:35-36, 40 NLT

Romans 14:12 NLT

Three Questions to Answer:

1) Where did it all go?

2) What did I spend it on?

3) What has been accomplished for eternity through my use of all this wealth?"

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Dustin's Dream Story

•Let's be generous with our time.

•Let's be generous with our talents.

•Let's be generous with our treasure.

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'So What?' Challenge: Reflect—Respond—Reach Out—Retell!

Proverbs 11:25 NIV'84

Romans 5:6 and 8 NLT

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# THE 'SO WHAT' CHALLENGE

## THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE:

"Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. 19 In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life." 1 Timothy 6:18-19 NIV

## REFLECT

Questions to reflect on in your personal quiet time, with the family and/or in your Life Group.

1) What one point personally stood out from the message and why?

2) Define generosity? Now, share an instance and its impact which illustrates generosity in action.

3) Read 1 Timothy 6:18-19, Philemon 1:6 & John 3:16. What do these verses state about being generous?

4) How does being generous give us a platform to tell others about Jesus? Share reasons and ideas.

5) What's the eternity mind-set regarding generosity? How does this keep things in perspective?

6) How can we personally be generous with our time, talents and treasure? Share practical ways.

## RESPOND

What personal response and/or possible life change do you have to what you have heard?

## REACH OUT

In regards to what has been revealed to you, what intentional action can you take this week to impact someone else for Christ?

## RETELL

Share how God has worked in you and through you with someone else – in personal conversation, in your Life Group or at [c3ocala.com/retell](http://c3ocala.com/retell).