

OmniGroup Lesson Notes

The Heart of Giving

Graceful Giving for Successful Living Pt 1

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WELCOME

PRAYER

SHARE

Read: Genesis 4:1-5 (NIV)

Adam made love to his wife Eve, and she became pregnant and gave birth to Cain. She said, "With the help of the Lord I have brought forth a man." 2 Later she gave birth to his brother Abel. Now Abel kept flocks, and Cain worked the soil. 3 In the course of time Cain brought some of the fruits of the soil as an offering to the Lord. 4 And Abel also brought an offering—fat portions from some of the firstborn of his flock. The Lord looked with favor on Abel and his offering, 5 but on Cain and his offering he did not look with favor. So Cain was very angry, and his face was downcast.

Statement: Don't give God something, give God your best.

Question: What does it look like to give God your best?

Read: Genesis 4:6-10 (NIV)

6 Then the Lord said to Cain, "Why are you angry? Why is your face downcast? 7 If you do what is right, will you not be accepted? But if you do not do what is right, sin is crouching at your door; it desires to have you, but you must rule over it." 8 Now Cain said to his brother Abel, "Let's go out to the field." While they were in the field, Cain attacked his brother Abel and killed him. 9 Then the Lord said to Cain, "Where is your brother Abel?" "I don't know," he replied. "Am I my brother's keeper?" 10 The Lord said, "What have you done? Listen! Your brother's blood cries out to me from the ground.

Statement: God searches our hearts.

Question: What does your offering reveal about your heart?

Read: Genesis 28:20-22 (NIV)

20 Then Jacob made a vow, saying, "If God will be with me and will watch over me on this journey I am taking and will give me food to eat and clothes to wear 21 so that I return safely to my father's household, then the Lord will be my God 22 and this stone that I have set up as a pillar will be God's house, and of all that you give me I will give you a tenth."

Statement: Everything we have comes from God.

Question: What are some ways that you plan to be generous in the future?

FACTOR POINTS

Worship: Worship God with your financial offering.

Learn: Learn how to have a giving heart.

Serve: You are blessed to be a blessing.

PRAYER REQUESTS / PRAISE REPORTS

CARE: Follow-up during the week