

WHY WE
LOVE
THIS CHURCH

Introduction

Part 4 focuses on the church's distinctive culture of generosity—giving freely, serving sacrificially, and trusting God with finances, time, and resources. Jamie and Kim share stories of how that generosity has blessed single moms, pastors, missions, ministries, staff, and future generations.

They challenge us to keep growing in generous faith, believing that a church that refreshes others will itself be refreshed.

Part 4: Because Of Your Generosity

Proverbs 11:24-25
24One person gives freely, yet gains even more;
another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty.
25A generous person will prosper;
whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.

Malachai 3:10
10Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.

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Message notes:

Wimber taught us, we're people _____, not people _____.

Talking about _____ isn't just what we mean when we talk about generosity.

We're known in the community because of dinner church, because of your _____.

If you're not generous, then you're going to miss the joy of _____ and ringing that bell and seeing God do the things that he's done.

We're known for our generosity in this city, but also in the "Big V" _____.

You're generous with your time. You're generous with your encouragement, your praise. You're generous with your possessions and serving _____.

Let it be a _____ thing in our church.

You're _____ in the Kingdom of God here in the ministry of this church.

Additional notes:

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Discussion Questions:

1. Proverbs 11:24-25 describes a person who gives freely yet gains even more. Where have you personally witnessed this principle at work in your own life?

2. Pastor Jamie shared that God once challenged him not to rob his daughter of the blessing of giving, asking 'Do you love your daughter more than I do?' How does knowing that God loves you more deeply than anyone help you trust Him enough to live generously?

3. Pastors Kim and Jamie describe the pain of investing deeply in people only to see God move them somewhere else, saying "They don't belong to you, they're mine." How does a posture of generosity change the way we hold relationships within the church community?

4. The message mentions that a culture of generosity is often caught rather than taught. Generosity is more than money—it includes giving our time, talents, encouragement, and service to others. How are you intentionally modeling generosity for those around you?

5. The message closes with a call to build for future generations, suggesting that sacrificial giving today lays the foundation for a church your grandchildren and great-grandchildren will benefit from. How does that long-term perspective change the way you think about what you give and why?

Ministry Time:

Pray for anyone who is struggling financially. Pray that God would meet their specific financial and practical needs, and that He would be glorified in how those needs are met.

Pray together as a group that each person would grow in trusting God as a generous Father rather than relating to Him through fear or scarcity. Pray that generosity would become a legacy passed down through your families and our church for generations to come.