



Wisdom Series



Generosity

Proverbs 11:24-26





*Those who give
freely and
generously will
be given more*



2 Corinthians 9:6–8

"Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work."

1 Corinthians 16:2

"On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with your income, saving it up, so that when I come no collections will have to be made."



You
can't
outgive
God!





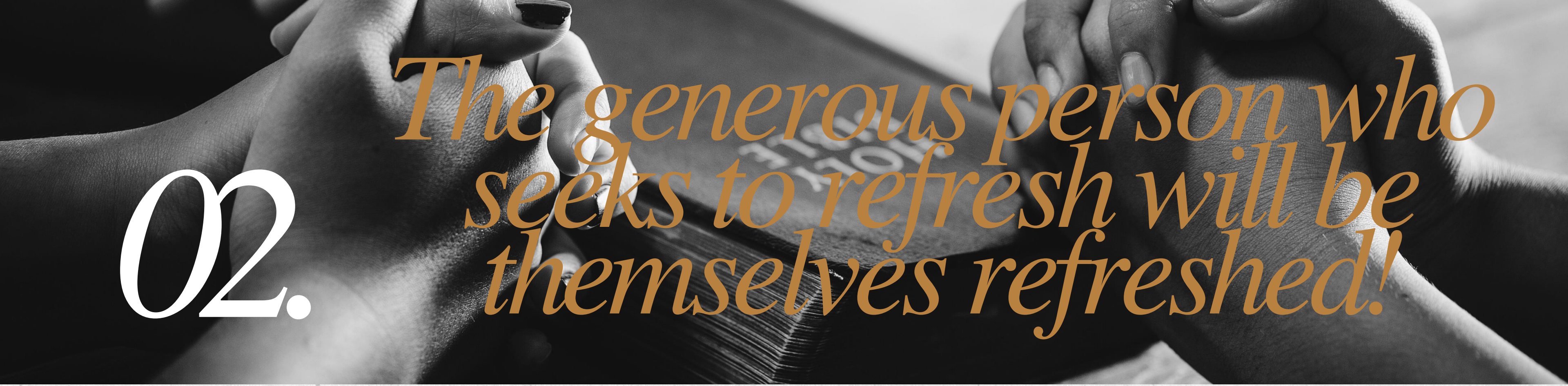
Malachi 3:10

"Bring 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

**Don't be like
Ebenezer
Scrooge...**

**Test God in
His promise
towards
those who
give.**





02.

*The generous person who
seeks to refresh will be
themselves refreshed!*

"Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."

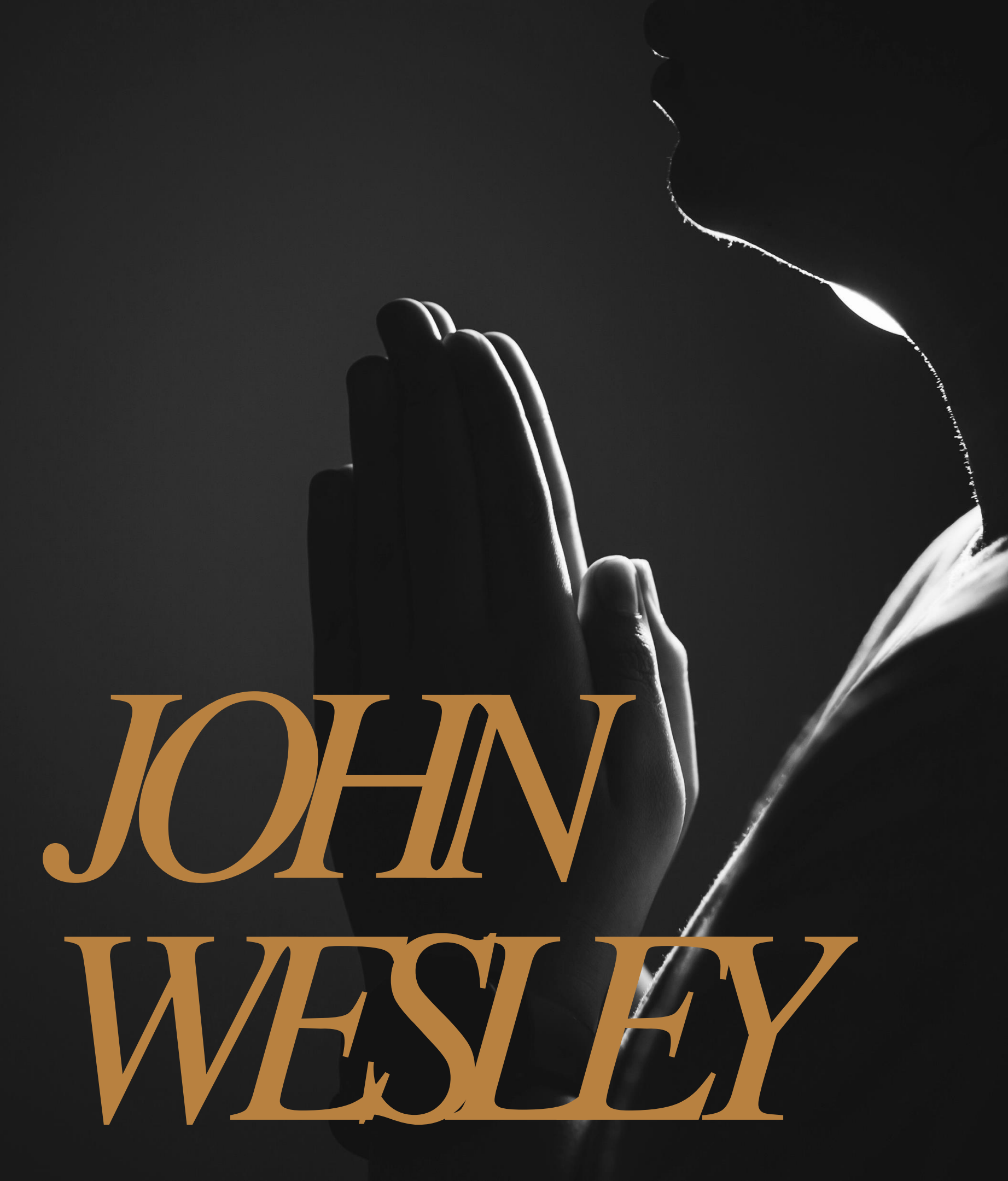
Luke 6:38



Next Week

August 24th (Women's Camp) No HopeKids & No Tech

- 100 lunches for Women's shelter
- 50 Backpacks of supplies for homeless women
- 60 Sacks of Games, Candy, Blessings for Nursing Home
- 50 bags for Foster Kids through CarePortal

A high-contrast silhouette of a person in a prayerful pose, with hands clasped and head bowed, set against a dark background. The person's profile is highlighted by a bright light source from the right.

JOHN WESLEY

"Do all the GOOD you can,
By all the MEANS you can,
In all the WAYS you can,
In all the PLACES you can,
At all the TIMES you can,
To all the PEOPLE you can,
As long as EVER you can."

Proverbs 3:27–28

"Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due, when it is in your power to act. Do not say to your neighbor, "Come back tomorrow and I'll give it to you" -- when you already have it with you."



Where is a place that

YOU CAN

be **G E N E R O U S** this week?



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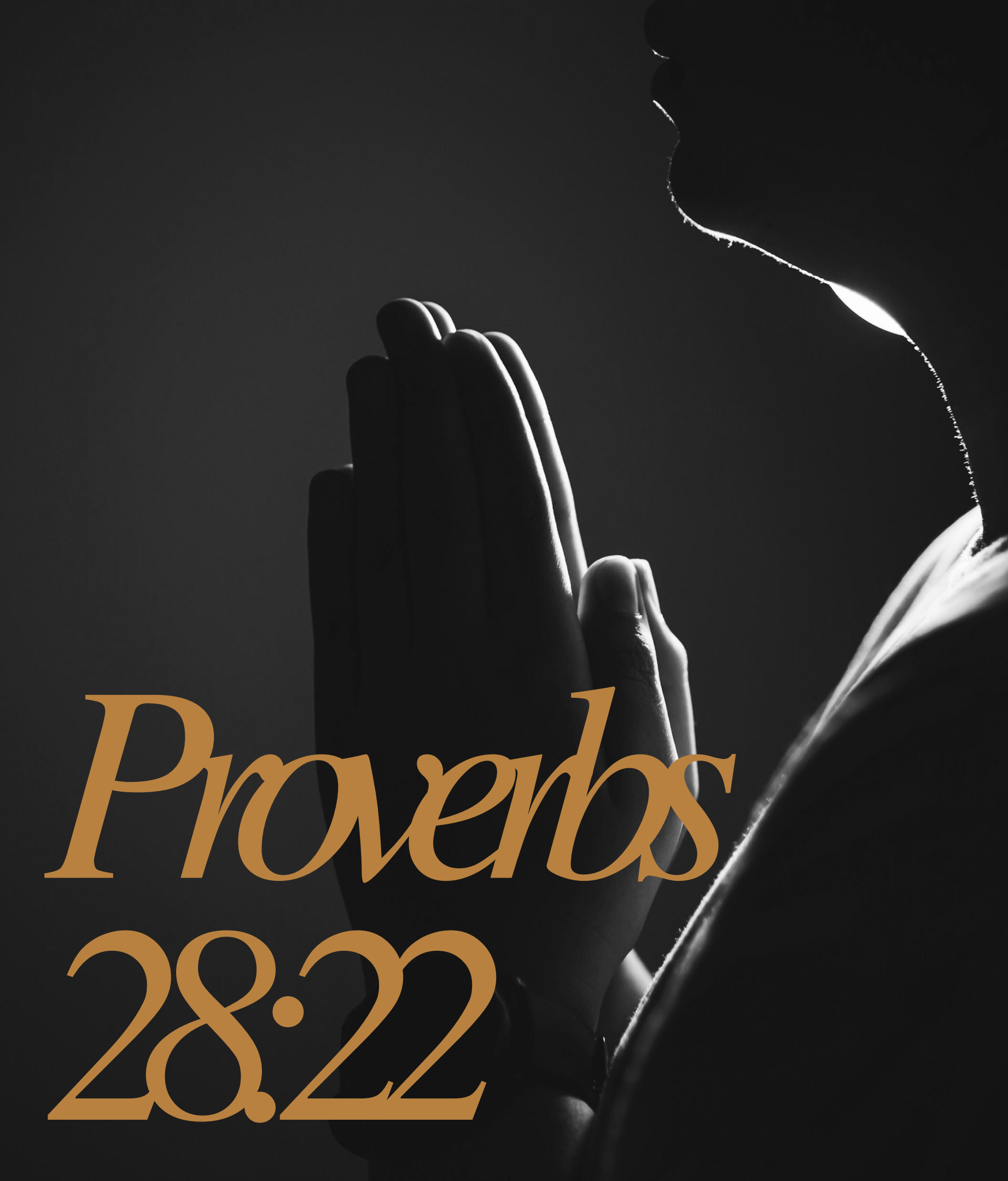
People curse the one who hoards grain, but they
pray God's blessing on the one who is willing to sell

Proverbs 11:26



Hear this, you who
trample the needy and
do away with the poor
of the land... boosting
the price... The Lord
has sworn by himself,
the Pride of Jacob: 'I
will not forget anything
they have done.'

Amos 8:4



Proverbs *28:22*

The stingy are
eager to get rich
and are unaware
that poverty
awaits them



"If you own something you cannot give away,
then you don't own it, it owns you."

– Albert Schweitzer

In all your business dealings,
consider how it might be falling
unfairly on others





1 John 3:16-18

"This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person?

Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth."



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Home Group Questions

Re-read Proverbs 11:24-26; 3:27-28; 28:22

- 1) How would you summarize these teachings?
- 2) What do these passages tell us about God?
- 3) Is there anything we are being called to obey? What is at stake if we don't?
- 4) How would you rate yourself in "generosity"? How could you grow? What things work against growth in your life?

End with reading Psalm 112 together.