



Bible study for the week starting October 11, 2026

What does generosity look like for you? If you wait until you have “enough” before you are generous...you will likely never get there. Generosity is not an amount...it is a posture of the heart. When have you been generous even when it was hard?

READ/STUDY/DISCUSS

1. Read [Nehemiah 5:1-5](#)

When is a time that finances were tight for you? When have you felt the pinch of bills, feeding your family, and providing for your responsibilities? How did God provide in those moments? In moments of scarcity, where do we turn?

2. Read [Nehemiah 5:6-13](#)

Nehemiah listened and acted. He reminded his people of a boundary that God has set, Leviticus 25:35-37 that they were breaking, and expected them to do better. Why are good and honest business practices important to God?

3. Read [Nehemiah 5:14-19](#)

Nehemiah then also responded generously. Why is generosity an important spiritual muscle?

4. Read [2 Corinthians 9:6-15](#)

What organization or person have you given to? And How has God given to you through that generosity? If you haven't...plan on giving this week.

PRAY

Pray that God would provide and supply our every need and enable us to be generous with ALL that he has given.



SCARCITY AND SACRIFICE

Nehemiah 5 ; 2 Cor 9:10-15; Matthew 6:1-4

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God builds through **ORDINARY** people who don't have enough... to do more than they thought... because He is more than **ENOUGH**.

We are all "Building when **BROKEN**..."

"Each labored on the **WORK** with one hand and held his **WEAPON** with the other."
Nehemiah 4:17

- 1) Sometimes external opposition can shift to internal **DISCOURAGEMENT**.

"There arose a great **OUTCRY**." (5:1)

- 2) **SCARCITY** focuses on what we don't have instead of focusing on **ALL** that God has for us.

"But it is not in our **POWER** to help it (5:5)

- 3) A good **ADVOCATE** speaks Truth and Grace.

"We will **RESTORE** these and require nothing from them" (5:12)

- 4) **GENEROSITY** reflects the heart of the giver.

"There were at my table **150** men." (5:17)

"You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through **US** will produce thanksgiving to God. 2 Cor 9:11

To whom have you been intentionally generous? _____

"**WHEN** you give to the needy..." Matt 6:3

For next week, please read Nehemiah 6.