

# Sermon Guide



## **“Generous Hearts: A Vision for a Generous Community” May 7, 2023**

”<sup>33</sup>...Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.”

**Acts 20:32-35, Matthew 6:25-33**

- 1. Generosity stems from a settled identity in grace.** How does having our identity rooted in grace lead us to live more generously?
- 2. Rick gave four conditions of a generous heart: having our security in Jesus; living out of abundance rather than scarcity; embracing hope in a world of chaos; living with courage to give of yourself.** Which of these conditions is hardest for your heart to cultivate and why?
- 3. Rick said that we live generously as Christians because we believe it can make an eternal difference, even if we may never see it.** Why do you think this perspective is hard for us to embrace?
- 4. Rick said that the gospel must be learned and lived, not merely believed.** How can you take a practical step in living out the Gospel in generosity this week?

**We often talk about taking your next step of faith with Jesus.** As you reflect on this week's teaching, what is the next step of faith you'll commit to?