



## **“The Way Of Generosity part 1- The Source of Generosity”**

**Over the last few weeks we have been in a series called “Discovering Jesus” where we are working our way through an account of Jesus’ life according to the physician and historian Luke. In this week’s message we turn a corner, because it seems like, as we get into some of Jesus’ teachings and parables a specific theme begins to emerge. This theme seems incredibly important to Jesus, and anyone who follows Him. We are exploring the theme of generosity and we discover that it goes beyond finances and reveals something significant in our hearts.**

### **Read Luke 18:9-17**

1. What stood out to you from the message?
2. The passage emphasizes that true generosity comes from being “filled” by Jesus first. What does it practically look like to live from a place of fullness rather than emptiness?
3. In what ways might people try to be generous for the wrong reasons (e.g., to earn approval or feel better about themselves)?
4. How is that different from the kind of generosity described here?
5. Why do you think the tax collector’s prayer: “God, have mercy on me, a sinner”—led to him being justified before God instead of the more outwardly “righteous” person?
6. Why is it important to recognize our own debt and need for atonement before we can become truly generous people?

## **Read 1 Corinthians 8:9**

7. How does reflecting on the cost of Jesus' sacrifice challenge or reshape your own view of generosity in areas like time, money, forgiveness, or relationships?

8. What does it practically look like to see your need for God's mercy and accept it?

**When we truly see and accept the radical generosity of Jesus Christ, it doesn't just inspire us, it transforms us. We begin to live not out of emptiness or striving, but from a place of fullness, knowing that our debt is paid and that we are deeply loved, secure, and already rich. When we know our need for God's mercy, generosity becomes a natural overflow of our lives. It shapes how we treat others, how we forgive, how we give our time, and how we use what we have. Jesus invites us to humbly receive this costly grace and allow it to change us from the inside out—so that we don't just understand generosity, but truly live it.**