



### **Week 3- “The Enemy 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. As we get into the later chapters we begin to see the theme of Generosity emerge in Jesus’ teachings. In this week’s message we explore an interaction Jesus had with a guy who was experiencing a conflict in his family around money. In this conflict we discover an enemy of generosity that Jesus highlights and a way to navigate through it in our own hearts and lives.**

#### **Read Luke 12:13-34**

1. What do you think it practically looks like to look past the blindness in your heart to see if there is money sickness there? Are you willing to do this in your life?
2. Why do you think it's difficult to see greed in your heart?
3. How can an awareness of the things you are running after, storing up, or worrying about help you see what is in your heart?
4. What do you tend to rely on for security and beauty?
5. What does it say about God’s love for you that He generously pours out his grace that ultimately leads to security and a deep inner wealth?

#### **Read Luke 12:32**

6. How does it make you feel to hear that God’s generosity toward you isn’t dependent on what you do or don’t do?

7. What does it practically look like to allow God's generosity to give you security and beauty?

8. How does God's generosity help you become less worried and more generous in your life?

9. How can this group help you discover in a deeper way God's generosity toward you?

**If we can recognize our own money-sickness and allow His incredible grace and generosity to free us, we will begin to be so generous in our community. In God's kingdom His generosity is not dependent on what we do or do not do, He generously meets our deepest needs and in turn we can't help but generously meet the needs of those around us.**