NOTES & DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

BE GENEROUS: GAIN ALL YOU CAN

SERMON SUMMARY

In this first message of the Be Generous series, we explore what it means to “gain all you can” by recognizing that everything we have ultimately comes from God. Through Jacob’s story in Genesis 30–31, we learn that money is a tool to be stewarded, not a measure of our worth or a reason to compare ourselves to others. God calls us to work hard, develop what He has placed in our hands, and create value so that His provision can ultimately produce a greater harvest of generosity.

KEY POINTS

- **Everything We Gain Starts with Something God Gave.**
    - God is the source of our resources, abilities, opportunities, and provision.
- **Comparison Turns God’s Provision into Scarcity.**
    - When we measure what we have against others, we lose sight of God’s blessings and begin to feel like we don’t have enough.
- **Gain All You Can with Whatever God Has Placed in Your Hands.**
    - Instead of focusing on what we lack, we should faithfully steward and maximize what God has already given us.
- **Our Value Is Not Measured by Our Wealth.**
    - Being rich doesn’t make us better; it makes us responsible. Being poor doesn’t make us less valuable.
- **God’s Provision Has a Purpose: Generosity.**
    - We work hard, develop our gifts, and create value not simply to gain more, but to use what God gives us to bless others and advance His Kingdom.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. **Everything we gain starts with something God gave. What gifts, abilities, opportunities, or resources has God placed in your hands that you may be taking for granted?**

2. **Comparison turns God's provision into scarcity. Where do you find yourself comparing your life, finances, or possessions to others? How does that comparison affect your gratitude and contentment?**
3. **Gain all you can with whatever God has placed in your hands. Like Jacob, how can you work faithfully and create value in your current season of life, regardless of your circumstances?**
4. **Our value is not measured by our wealth. How can we separate our sense of worth from our income, possessions, or financial success? What does it look like to view wealth as a responsibility rather than a status symbol?**
5. **God's provision has a purpose: generosity. How could you intentionally use your money, gifts, influence, or opportunities to bless others and advance God's Kingdom this week?**