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RECIPE TO RECEIVE

BIG IDEA

Pastor Christina has been preaching about the roadmap to more - more time, more resources, more in our relationships. The roadmap is to put God first, count the cost, develop a plan and be content. All of these elements work together to position us to receive from God. He is positioned to give and we need to position ourselves to receive. Giving is the recipe to receive. That is what opens our hearts to be like our God. Generosity includes returning the tithe, giving offerings above the tithe, and sacrificial gifts.

SCRIPTURES USED IN THE MESSAGE

- John 3:16
- Matthew 25:29
- Luke 6:38
- Malachi 3:7-12
- 1 Samuel 15:22-24
- Leviticus 27:30
- 2 Corinthians 9:7

TALK IT OVER

Choose questions that keep the discussion moving. No need to discuss every question.

- What is the most generous thing another person has done for you?
- What are the rewards of being generous?
- When we withhold the tithe what are we robbing God-Who-owns-everything of? (Malachi 3:7-12)
- What do you want from God? [Spend time together thanking God for what He has provided to you and asking Him to tell you what to give over the tithe.]

APPLICATION IDEAS

- Evaluate your income and begin tithing.
- Consider what you want from God. What is He directing you give above the tithe to position yourself to receive it?

PRAYER FOCUS

At Crossroads, we pray believing God hears and answers us. Make time in every group meeting to pray for one another and the larger matters of concern to your group.

- See the fourth question for prayer focus.

LEADER TIPS

- Be a model of giving and generosity. Our lives are watched by those we lead. How are we doing in tithing and being generous? If you need to make a change, hurry to become obedient and be brave enough to tell your group about your new convictions next week. Demonstrate how to surrender to God and obey Him.