

“GENEROUS”

Part One “INTRODUCTION”

2 Corinthians 9:6-11 (NIV)

Verse 11: “You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.”

INTRODUCTION:

*** Why A Series Called “GENEROUS”?**

- God is generous to us.
(*Ephesians 2:4-10*)
- We are called to be generous towards God.
(*Luke 12:20-21*)
- We are called to be generous towards others.
(*2 Corinthians 9:11*)

*** Generous: giving or bestowing liberally and unselfishly; abundant; plentiful**

*** Facts About Being “Generous”:**

1. Generous people are blessed people.
(*2 Corinthians 9:6*)
2. Being generous starts in the heart.
(*2 Corinthians 9:7*)

3. A generous person never runs out.
(*2 Corinthians 9:8*)
4. God causes the generous to multiply and increase.
(*2 Corinthians 9:10*)
5. The generous causes thanksgivings to be offered to God.
(*2 Corinthians 9:11*)

1 Timothy 6:17-19 (NIV)

17 Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. 18 Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. 19 In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

*** Three Goals for “GENEROUS”:**

- Understand the Value of Being Generous.
- Learn the Steps to Become Generous.
- Apply the Steps and Be Generous.

CONCLUSION:

Proverbs 11:25 (NIV)

25 A generous man will prosper; he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed.

Proverbs 22:9 (NIV)

9 A generous man will himself be blessed, for he shares his food with the poor.