

Challenge Accepted: Week Three

November 19th, 2023

"GENEROSITY"

QUESTIONS TO REFLECT ON AND DISCUSS:

Passages to consider: **Proverbs 11:25, 18:16; Romans 2:6; 1 Corinthians 15:58; Galatians 6:9; 2 Corinthians 9:6-8.**

Ice Breaker: What is the best/worst white elephant gift you have given/received?

Reflect on the sermon: What was new, challenging, or a good reminder?

1. Read twice: **Psalm 24:1-2, John 3:16-17, and Matthew 6:19-21**. What insights do these passages give us about God, us/man, contentment, and generosity?
2. What moves you toward generosity? What can get in the way of generosity for you?
3. Take a look at **1 John 3:16-18** and **Matthew 25:31-46**. How do these passages challenge you about loving God and loving others?
4. How would choosing contentment and practicing intentional generosity (*after tithing*) impact your lifestyle, finances, and relationships? What adjustments or changes would be easiest? What would be challenging?
5. Which challenge—obedience, contentment, generosity—are you accepting at this time? What does a way forward in this area look like for you (*ideas: confession and repentance, tithing, budgeting, downsizing, create a generosity fund*)?
6. What impact would pursuing contentment have on your holiday plans this year?

TRY IT! This week, first make a list of all the ways God has been generous with you—try listing 25 things. Then, put some money in your pocket with the intent to give it away. Look for who God would have you be generous to and bless them. You might even have your kids give this a try.