

FREEDOM for IMPACT

OPEN

What is the funniest story of generosity that you have personally been able to participate in? Share that story with your group.

REFLECT

What did you learn from this sermon? How did this sermon deepen or challenge your faith?

Read 2 Corinthians 8:1-4, 9; 9:6-13. Which word, phrase, or verse in these passages resonates with you the most and why?

Dan shared these five truths about generosity:

1. *Generosity is a privilege.*
2. *Generosity makes us more like Jesus.*
3. *Generosity invites God's blessing.*
4. *Generosity is the reason for God's blessing.*
5. *Generosity leads to people praising God.*

Which of these most stood out to you and why?

When an opportunity to give comes up, is your natural response to view the opportunity a burden or a blessing? What does the answer reveal about the condition of your heart?

How have you seen giving directly tied to your spiritual growth and your maturity as a disciple of Jesus?

When you consider all the resources you have, do you truly believe the reason God entrusted you with those resources was so you could be a blessing to others? Where are you at on this journey?

How have you seen generosity lead to other people praising God?

When you consider the generosity of Jesus, how does it make you feel? Explain.

APPLY

What is one way you *personally* can take a step towards greater generosity?

What is one way your *group* can take a step towards greater generosity?

PRAY

This week, prayerfully consider how you might be able to partner with The Creek and God in where he is leading us as a church in regard to the freedom initiative.

NEXT STEPS

For some, calling the Christmas season “The Most Wonderful Time of the Year” might be a bit of an overstatement—or even flat-out wrong. With the busyness and bittersweet memories that often seem to accompany the season, it’s easy to lose the wonder. But no matter how we feel about the holidays, all of us can agree: when we view this season (or any season) in light of the gift of Jesus, it becomes the most wonderful time.

1. Attend **Welcome to the Creek!** This is your one-stop shop into finding out more about who we are as a church and how you can partner with God in what he is doing in this world! Join us the first and third Sunday of any month! Visit thecreek.org for more details.
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