

Generosity Series Chuck Booher

Discussion Questions

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MEMORY VERSE FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER:

Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility consider one another as more important than yourselves; do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others.

Philippians 2:3–4

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Ice breaker question: What is one personal material possession would you have the hardest time parting with (not including your Bible)? Why is it so important to you?
- 2. Read Luke 12:48. In America, even those of us who are not considered to be well off are viewed as affluent by much of the world. Based on this understanding what kinds of things might God be asking of you? How do you feel about that?
- 3. Read Matthew 25:14–17. What kinds of talents (resources) has God entrusted you with? What are some intentional ways in which we can "invest" these resources that will create growth in others? How does this view shape your sense of urgency for the lost?
- 4. Continue to read Matthew 25:18. What kind of fear is holding you back from being willing to use whatever resources you have been given to grow the Kingdom of God? What steps can you take in order to overcome that fear? Who can you partner with to encourage you and keep you accountable?
- 5. Read Proverbs 3:27–28. Are you as eager to do good to others as you are to have good done to you? How can you better respond to and more importantly to anticipate the needs of others?

- 6. Read James 4:17. How does this verse describe the actions of the third servant? What God given resources have you "buried" and not been willing to use for the good of others? Are you willing to "dig them up" and invest them?
- 7. Read 1 Thessalonians 2:4. Paul says that we have been entrusted with the gospel and have been approved by him to tell others about it. Whose message is it that we are carrying? How should this encourage us to be willing to be bold in sharing our faith with those in our circle of influence?

PUTTING IT INTO ACTION:

In the parable of the talents, all of the servants were entrusted with at least one talent. Rather than be tempted to look at what others may have and lament what we might think we do not have, look for ways to make good use of whatever time, talent, and treasure God has entrusted to you and invest it in others in order to bring them to Christ and grow the Kingdom of God.