



God's Definition of Generosity

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Questions for Study and Group Discussion

*** Before you begin, please read Mark 12:41-44 as a group.*

1. Share about a time you made a sacrifice for a greater cause. Why did you make the sacrifice you did? What did you learn in the process?
2. Even though talking about finances can be sensitive, understanding a biblical approach to money is important. Why? (Hint: Read Matthew 6:21.)
3. What are different obstacles people may have about giving financially?
4. What knee jerk reactions (or knee jerk questions) do you have to Mark 12:41-44?
5. Re-read Mark 12:43. Clearly the financial amount this widow gave was less than what the rich people gave (see 12:41-42). So what does Jesus mean by His statement in verse 43?
6. Read 2 Corinthians 8:1-9 and 2 Corinthians 9:6-15. What do these passages say about the motivations and attitudes that fuel generosity? (Try and identify at least 3-4 such attitudes or motivations.)
7. The New Testament talks about giving both sacrificially AND cheerfully. Given this, what guidelines would you recommend to someone who wants to begin applying what the Bible says about giving? (In other words, what does it look like to give sacrificially? How would you encourage someone to maintain joy in their giving?)
8. Are there joys you've experienced or practical lessons you've learned as you've given financially in the past? Share with the group.
9. Focus on 2 Corinthians 8:9. What point is Paul making here? How does the grace God has given us in Jesus Christ motivate our own generosity?
10. What other questions or comments do you have about what you've looked at in the Bible today?
11. What was your biggest take-away from the message? Why?
12. What practical step can you take to apply a truth you've seen in God's Word today?