GENEROSITY IS SPIRITUAL WARFARE THAT FREES US FROM THE GRIP OF GREED, REMINDS US WE ARE STEWARDS NOT OWNERS, AND POINTS TO JESUS HIMSELF.

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Start by asking your Home Group to share any further reflections on the sermon. What kinds of experiences did they have with generosity this week?

Have you ever had the chance to love someone through an act of generosity? Have you ever been on the receiving end of generosity? What was that like?

IDEA 1

Generosity is spiritual warfare that frees us from the grip of greed.

Further reading: Matthew 6:19-24; 1 Timothy 6:6-10.

How do these descriptions of generosity as spiritual warfare sit with you? Surprise you? Challenge you?

How have you seen Greed have a grip in your life?

IDFA 2

Generosity reminds us we are Stewards, not Owners.

Further reading: 1 Corinthians 16:1-4; 1 Chronicles 29:13-14

How might this reality change the way you practice generosity?

IDEA 3

Generosity points to Jesus himself.

Further Reading: 1 Corinthians 8:8-14; Deuteronomy 24:19-22

How can generosity be used to point to Jesus?

How can generosity be misused? In what ways? What are the effects?

APPLICATION

Make a plan to practice generosity this week.

Share this with the group. Commit to checking in with one another during the week about these plans.

SPIRITUAL PRACTICE

Take some time to pray for each other.

Take some time to listen first. Ask Spirit to share his heart for these requests. You may want to use a timer and set it for five minutes of quiet listening.

Open up the time for people to pray the things out loud that Spirit has prompted.