

WEEK 5 — GENEROSITY: THE FRUIT OF GRATITUDE

“Gripped by Grace... and What Happens Next”

*‘For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God’s abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.’
(Romans 5:17 NIV)*

GRACE REDEFINES OUR VALUES

¹⁹ *“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. ²⁰ But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹ For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also,”* Matthew 6:19-21, NIV

GRACE TRANSFORMS OUR GIVING

2 Corinthians 8:9 (MAIN VERSE)

“For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor, so that you through His poverty might become rich,” 2 Corinthians 8:9

“Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver,” 2 Corinthians 9:7

GRACE REDIRECTS OUR TRUST

¹⁹ *And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus,”* Philippians 4:19

Week 5: DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

What does the graphic below mean to you?



POINT 1. GRACE Redefines Our Values

What's one area of your life (time, talent, or treasure) where you sense God might be shifting you from "ownership" to "stewardship"?

— What is helping you trust that shift?

How have you seen your values change as you've grown in your understanding of God's grace?

— Is there a mindset or habit God is gently reshaping?

POINT 2. GRACE Transforms Our Giving

Think about the sponge illustration: do you currently feel more like a "dry sponge" or a "soaked sponge"?

— What do you think helps you "soak in grace"?

When have you experienced an unexpected moment of receiving generosity?

— How did it impact your heart and your understanding of grace?

POINT 3. GRACE Redirects Our Trust

Where do you most often feel the "scarcity mindset" show up in your life?

— Time? Energy? Finances? Emotional bandwidth?

— How might God be inviting you to trust Him in that area?

What helps you remember that "God is more than enough" when life feels uncertain or overwhelming?

— How does that truth free you to be open-handed with others?

If generosity is the overflow of being gripped by grace, what is one simple, grace-driven step you feel led to take this week? - Not pressured - just overflow.