

LESSON *FOUR*

NEW PURPOSE

Do What He Did: Generous Living

Why this matters: Generosity is about more than giving money away. It's learning to see everything we have as something God has entrusted to us—and choosing to use those resources for His purposes. Generosity fuels God's mission while also forming us as disciples.

Start Here: When you think about generosity, what comes to mind? Who is someone whose generosity has impacted you?

The Big Idea: Generosity is a way of trusting God with what He has entrusted to us.

Read Together:

Acts 20:35

Matthew 6:19-24

2 Corinthians 9:8-11

After reading, ask: What stands out to you? What does Jesus say about the connection between our treasure and our heart?

A Few Truths to Hold:

- Everything we have ultimately belongs to God.
- We are stewards of what God has entrusted to us.
- God blesses us so that we can be generous to others.

Talk About It: Do you tend to see what you have through a mindset of abundance or scarcity? What does the way you use your money reveal about what you value?

Living It Out:

Biblical stewardship begins with recognizing that God owns it all and we are caretakers of what He has given us.

Three ways to think about the resources God entrusts to us:

- Some is for us to live — providing for our families and enjoying life before God.
- Some is to give away — caring for the poor, supporting the Church, and advancing the Gospel.
- Some is to build for the future — preparing for what God has put in our hearts.

Generous living also includes simplicity—learning to live with less so we're free to give more.

Practice This Week: Simplify one area of spending and redirect that money toward generosity.

Pray Together: Take a few moments to pray out loud, asking that God would grow contentment and generosity in you.

Looking Ahead: Next time, we'll complete New Purpose by looking at how we continue growing as disciples who make disciples and live sent into our everyday lives.