

Small Group Questions | May 13th, 2018

Kingdom Mission - Generosity ([Luke 18:9-30](#))

Sermon Recap: To learn how to say enough we must understand Kingdom

Generosity...its source, its scope, and its surprise. When we truly encounter God's grace, see generosity as more than giving money, and realize that wealth often suppresses generosity, then we can be a vehicle for others to experience grace. Practicing a lifestyle of simplicity by *not harvesting to the edge* and *giving our first fruits* is the first step toward not missing the mission of kingdom generosity.

Hook: *These questions can help encourage conversation.*

1. How does the fact that a \$33K income is top 1% worldwide impact your view on our country? Where do you see the lie of its "not enough" in our culture?

Look: *Read the sermon passage. Answer the following textual questions.*

2. Read 2 Cor. 8:9 and Deut. 26:1-11. How do these passages confirm that grace is the source of generosity?
3. Contrast the Pharisee and the tax collector's understanding of grace as the source of generosity. Where are the differences of posture?
4. In verses 15-17, how do Jesus' disciples miss the scope of generosity? What does receiving the "kingdom of God like a child" mean?
5. How does the Rich man, like the Pharisee from verses 9-14, miss the mission of Kingdom generosity?

Took: *Applying the message to our lives.*

6. Where have you been harvesting to the edge financially, emotionally, spiritually or with your time?
7. How does the call to practice simplicity (not harvesting to the edge, giving your first fruits – financially or spiritually) challenge your expectations of successful living?

Prayer/Verse:

"Truly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God like a child shall not enter it." – Luke 18:17