





	<p>Generous Life: Miracles</p>
 BIG IDEA	<p>True generosity is measured not by the amount you give but by the sacrifice and faith behind your giving.</p>
 ICE BREAKER	<p>What's the most expensive thing you've ever purchased?</p>
 MAIN POINTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● God Views Money from a Faith Perspective, Not a Financial One ● Jesus Measures Generosity by Sacrifice ● Four Types of Givers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Occasional Giver: gives sporadically, without consistency ○ The Safe Giver: gives cautiously, calculating what they can afford ○ The Generous Giver: gives consistently as a core value ○ The Radical Giver: gives sacrificially, with extraordinary faith ● Keys to Growing in Generosity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Make giving a faith issue, not a financial issue ○ Commit to consistency in giving ○ Trust that God multiplies our generosity
 DISCUSS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In what ways have you traditionally viewed your giving—as a financial decision or a faith decision? Why? 2. Read Mark 12:41-44. Why do you think Jesus was so impressed with the widow's gift? What does this reveal about how God values our giving? 3. How would you define "sacrifice" in the context of generosity? What's the difference between giving that is comfortable and giving that is sacrificial? 4. Which of the four types of givers best describes your current approach to giving? Which type would you like to grow toward? 5. What obstacles or fears prevent you from being more generous? How might viewing giving as a faith issue help overcome these barriers? 6. Share a time when you gave sacrificially. What was that experience like for you? Did you see God work through your generosity in any way? 7. What would it look like for you to "make giving a faith issue, not a financial issue" in your life right now?
 NEXT STEP	<p>What is one change you feel challenged to make in your approach to generosity after hearing this message? What is one change you feel challenged to make in your approach to generosity after hearing this message?</p>
 SCRIPTURE	<p>Matthew 6:21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.</p> <p>Mark 12:41 Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents. Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything -all she had to live on.</p>



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