

Big Idea: The normal response to God's grace in our lives is missional generosity.

KEY VERSE: Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. **2 Corinthians 9:6**

SUMMARY

Our response to God's grace is generosity. Grace leads us to missional generosity. Missional generosity is using what you have for the good of others and the glory of God. Grace draws us, changes us, and empowers us to live a life bigger than ourselves. There are many stories in the Bible of missional generosity. The story of the boy and his fish and bread, Abraham using all he had to rescue Lot and the others, Zacchaeus compelled by grace to give four times what he owed back to the poor, and the story of the sinful woman, who brought her best to Jesus. She was forgiven much, and her response was to give much (**Luke 7:44-47**). When we discover the grace given to us, our natural response should be to give.

What has grace done in your life and how have you responded?

ASK, LISTEN, RESPOND

When you participate with God, you're saying, "I'm here." If you ask, *He will respond*. Don't underestimate what God wants to do in your life with this missional move. When you turn your heart to Jesus, amazing things happen. The secret to a life of miracles is to just do what He's asking you to do. You're never too old or too young to respond generously to the grace of God.

NEXT STEP

With a big vision or mission, you have to know where you're going and then you take the next step. God shows us the direction we're going and our next step (**Psalms 119:105**). Your next step in this missional move is to give. Your heart will follow your money. So, when you give you're attaching your heart to God and His church (**Matthew 6:21**). Your invitation is to go from being a nomad to a pioneer. You were made to be a pioneer. The greatest way to find hope in your life is to sow hope (**2 Corinthians 9:6**).

Where and how are you giving away (sowing) hope?

GIVING STEPS

We are all on a journey of giving. Maybe you've never given before, or you're giving for the first time. Maybe you give occasionally or intentionally when God asks. Maybe you are faithful with your tithing or maybe you give above and beyond your tithe in a sacrificial way.

Where are you on this journey of giving? What is your next step?



We often trust God with our salvation, but not our finances. In this missional move, the only question God is asking you is, "Will you trust me?" (**Proverbs 3:5-6**). If Jesus is the living hope, then to follow Him is to follow hope. To turn away from Him is to turn away from hope. At the end of our lives we want to hear *well done good and faithful servant* (**Luke 19:17**). The only way to expand our life is to be faithful with what we have been given. God is looking for people who don't love the world so He can entrust the world to them. Let's use what God has given us for the good of others and the glory of God according to His purposes. If you haven't trusted God with your finances, take time and ask Him to search your heart (**Psalms 139:23-24**).

Have you ever surrendered everything you have to Jesus? Have you ever doubled down? How is God inviting you to respond to this missional move?

OUR PRAYER IS THAT EVERY INDIVIDUAL/FAMILY WILL TAKE A NEXT STEP AND PARTICIPATE

(Other Scripture references: Luke 6:38, Proverbs 11:24-25, James 1:5, John 10:27, Luke 11:28, Luke 21:3-4, Acts 4:34-35, Ephesians 6:8, Hebrews 11:6, 2 Corinthians 9:11-13, Jeremiah 29:7, Jeremiah 29:11, John 18:37)