

Genetically Generous | Week 1 - We are Wired for Generosity

Message Big Idea

We're wired for generosity because we're made in the image of a generous God.

Scripture

1 John 4:7-8 & Psalm 24:1-2

Points to Keep In Mind

1. Read the Scripture out loud and allow your group time to think through the questions. God's generosity happens on so many levels – not just personally or even corporately, but universally with the creation of the world. We aren't used to thinking in terms of abundance and generosity, but that is our God.
2. Some stories your group might think of include creation, Moses and the Red Sea, the writing of the Psalms, the miracles of the prophets (Elijah and the widow's son, the 3- year drought, the standoff against the priests of Ba'al, etc.), Jesus' miracles and the disciples' spread of the Gospel. End by exploring God's nature and what generosity says about that.
3. Allow time for each person to share at least one story of generosity and how it has impacted them. Stories are so powerful! Encourage your group to see how generosity can stretch and grow us.
4. Nowhere is God's generosity displayed more clearly than on the cross. In your prayer time with your group, you may want to spend time thanking God for this ultimate act of generosity. Invite each group member to pray out loud a simple prayer of gratitude.

Additional Questions and Resources

1. Where do you see God at work in your life right now?
2. What next steps do you feel called to take in your faith journey?
3. Have you considered getting baptized? communitychristian.org/baptism
4. What have you been learning from the Community Daily? communitychristian.org/daily
5. Looking for Financial Resources? Check out communitychristian.org/financialresources
6. Find out more about having a YOU+ conversation by visiting: communitychristian.org/you/