



WEEK #1: SACK LUNCH

INTRODUCTION & OPENING QUESTION

As we approach this season of giving, let's ask ourselves, what are we willing to give? What would it look like if closed fists became open hands? What if we became more like Jesus by giving ore away? If it's true that we can't out give God, what would we gain? Blessed people are blessed to bless people. So let's start Living Generously.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What was your biggest takeaway from the message, and why?
2. Pastor Mark said, "In many churches, a message on giving would be like going to the dentist." Unfortunately, many people have been given the wrong message about giving. What has been your experience? When it comes to giving, has any part of it been challenging for you?
3. Pastor Mark talked about four attitudes that Christ-followers have towards giving. Which of the following do you resonate with the most? Or perhaps you have resonated with different attitudes during different parts of your faith journey.
 - a. "This is not our problem."
 - b. "It can't be done."
 - c. "We have a little something, but it's not enough to make any difference."
 - d. "Jesus, all I have is a sack lunch, and I have no idea how you're going to use it, but if you need it, you can have it."
4. The little boy got to his gift become legendary after placing his sack lunch in the hands of the Creator. How have you seen God use your gifts to impact people and change lives? How has the generosity of others affected your life?
5. What is your "sack lunch?" What can you trust God with this week?

TAKEAWAYS

SCRIPTURE:

Matthew 14:15-16, 21 / 15:32 / Mark 6:34 / James 6:5-9 / Colossians 1:15-17 / 2 Corinthians 9:8 / John 6:12-13 / Luke 6:38.

QUOTES:

"God will make sure that you never outgive Him!"