REAL LIFE VINEYARD CHURCH

DISCOVERY GROUP GUIDES

Journey 6: Charitable to Extravagant—GIVE

MANTRA

If there is anything I have I can't give away, I don't own it; it owns me.

KEY BIBLE PASSAGE

2 CORINTHIANS 9:6-8 [6]But I will say this to encourage your generosity: the one who plants little harvests little, and the one who plants plenty harvests plenty. [7]Giving grows out of the heart—otherwise, you've reluctantly grumbled "yes" because you felt you had to or because you couldn't say "no," but this isn't the way God wants it. For we know that "God loves a cheerful giver." [8]God is ready to overwhelm you with more blessings than you could ever imagine so that you'll always be taken care of in every way and you'll have more than enough to share.

BIBLE READING LIST

- **Romans 8:31-32.** God demonstrates a generous heart in the gift of His Son.
- **Matthew 6:19-24.** We can trust God with everything we have because He shows Himself trustworthy.
- **Luke 18:18-25.** Money is a rival of God that can keep us from God's family.
- **2 Corinthians 9:6-15.** Our generosity is a natural reflection of what God is doing to and for us.
- **Ecclesiastes 2:1-11.** Life's pursuit apart from God leads to futility.
- **Proverbs 6:6-11.** Preparation and frugality are the signs of God's control of our money.
- **1 Timothy 6:6-10.** The desire for money can rob us from a life with God.
- **Mark 12:41-44.** Great sacrifice comes out of our poverty.
- **2 Corinthians 8:1-7.** It is a privilege and responsibility to give to God's work.

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