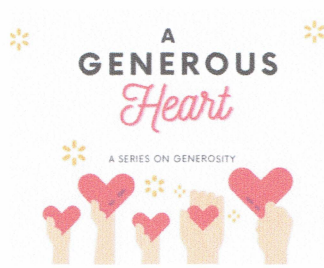


A Generous Heart: Part 2
James 1:7, Mark 12:41-44
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Introduction:

Why a series on Generosity?

Because we have a _____ God (James 1:7)

God is abundantly generous in _____.

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God is abundantly generous in His _____.

God is abundantly generous in the outpouring of the _____

The foundation of a generous life is a generous God.

Mark 12:41-44:

Generosity is not determined by the size of the gift, but by the size of the sacrifice.

1. Jesus watches what we do (vs 41)

- Watch – to look with a discerning eye – deep penetrating gaze that goes beyond just seeing the amount but also the motive.
- Does Jesus see a generous heart we He see how we give of our time talent and treasure?

2. Jesus knows the amount we give (vs 42)

- The rich made a contribution, the women made a sacrifice.
- Generosity is about sacrifice
- The chicken and the pig
- What's left over after you give of your time, talent and treasure?

3. Jesus elevated the women (vs 43-44)

- He raised her up as an example to follow.
- We are to emulate not the amount, but the sacrifice.
- It's not about what she gave, but what she had left.

Conclusion:

It's not the size of the gift but the size of the sacrifice.

Generosity is seen not in what you give but by what is left.