

Week #4: Game On: A Year of Generosity



One of the most famous sayings of Jesus is not found in any of the four Gospels. It is, however, found in Acts 20:33-35. This is our final week of **Game On!** As coach Paul challenges us on the topic of generosity. This famous saying will be our theme for the year ahead and our Sunday messages, **2017:** A Year of Generosity.

Relevant Information (Large Group)

- What is your favorite candy?
- Rate your week 1-5 (1 being difficult, 5 being great).
- What was one thing that God showed you this past week in your personal time with him?
- What was one thing that stood out to you from the message on Sunday?
- Read Acts 20:33-35. What message is Paul trying to clearly convey to the Ephesian Elders?
- What does Jesus mean when He says, "It is more blessed to give than to receive?"
- Share a time when you were blessed through giving something away.
- Read Matthew 26:6-13. How is this story an example of being blessed in what you give?
- Would the world around us tend to accept or reject the statement, "It is more blessed to give than receive?" Why do you think that?
- Read 2 Corinthians 9:6-8. How do these verses relate to the topic today?
- In your own words, what does it mean to be generous?
- What are some practical ways people have shown you generosity?
- In light of our discussion, is there an additional insight you would like to discuss further with the group?

Gracious Obedience "Application" (Smaller Groups 2-6 people)

- What is one topic or concept that stood out to you in our discussion tonight?
- How can you apply that topic or concept to your life?

Walking Together (Smaller Groups 2-6 people)

 Be generous with your words by sharing one or two things that you appreciate about a member of your group this week.

Outreach (Large Group)

• Think of a practical way this week your group can be generous to someone outside of the group.

***Next week we start our Spring campaign, "**The Giving Tree**." If you would like to purchase a book for this series, they are available Sunday in the church lobby for \$5. Leaders don't forget to pick up your book and DVD for the next series.