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JOIN US ON A FOUR-WEEK WESLEYAN STEWARDSHIP JOURNEY

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Relocating and Repositioning your LIFE with a full HEART:

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This four-week series guides us on a practical and biblical journey from receiving God's grace to living generously in every area of life. We are called to stop, discern, relocate, reposition and anchor ourselves in God as we

continue the journey. The Church is like a ship at sea, carrying the precious cargo of the Gospel while navigating powerful winds, changing currents and storms. The answer is not to abandon the ship, but to keep her on course.

Rooted in the conviction that God owns and provides all things, the sessions explore how disciples respond with love, sacrifice and joy; how churches nurture generosity through fellowship, compassion and mission; and how leaders model, teach and sustain a culture of faithful stewardship.

Through Scripture, reflection, discussion and practical activities, participants will be encouraged to recognize every gift and resource as entrusted by God and to use them responsibly in service of the Church, their neighbors and God's mission.

The series is structured around **12 Biblical Generosity Core Principles**, grouped into four thematic clusters reflecting the nature of generosity in discipleship and leadership.

As we begin this journey, may we open our whole lives and full hearts to God's renewing work. May this series help us realign our priorities, strengthen our discipleship and grow together as a generous people who reflect God's grace in practical, joyful and faithful ways.

Theme	Core Principles
Week 1: God Is Generous	1. God owns everything 2. God provides enough 3. God gave Jesus
Week 2: Disciples Become Generous	4. Disciples respond lovingly 5. Disciples live sacrificially 6. Disciples find joy
Week 3: Churches Grow Generosity	7. Giving builds family 8. Giving loves neighbors 9. Giving reaches the lost
Week 4: Leaders Shape Generosity	10. Leaders go first 11. Leaders teach generosity 12. Leaders celebrate sustainability

HOME GROUPS AND CLASSES GUIDE:

1. Open in Worship and Prayer: this is to invite God into the meeting. For example, you can light a candle, sing together, or use a YouTube Hymn or song.
2. Open your Bibles and read the Bible verses for this week (take turns?) see below.
3. Reflect on the Bible verses and the reflection written by a Minister or Lay Preacher.
4. Connect with each other and take the reflection deeper by answering the Questions.
5. Works out: Practical Activity. Keep each other accountable for promises made or important steps taken. Pray for and over each other (after taking prayer requests).

Week 1: God Is Generous

Week 1 Summary: This week focuses on God as the ultimate Owner and generous Provider of all things. Its objective is to help us view our whole lives as entrusted gifts and to respond to God's grace with gratitude, trust and faithful stewardship.

WORSHIP SONG: The Goodness of God

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9sE5kEnitqE&list=RD9sE5kEnitqE&start_radio=1

KEY SCRIPTURE AND STORIES: Psalm 24:1, Deuteronomy 8:17-18, John 3:16, Genesis 22:1-14

REFLECTION ON THE BIBLE VERSES: Rev Hilton Volkwyn

Considering Psalm 24:1 "*The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.*" and before we can understand God's generosity, we must understand God owns it all. God is not a cosmic helper who gives us a portion of *our* things; God is the absolute owner of **everything**.

Because God owns the entire earth, everything we possess... our breath, our talents, our property is a gift on loan. God's generosity is proven by the fact that He shares His creation with us, allowing us to live in, enjoy, and steward a world that belongs entirely to God.

The author of the book of Deuteronomy reminds us that human nature often drives us to take credit for our success. We look at our hard work and financial stability and credit our own intelligence or stamina.

God's generosity goes deeper than just handing us material blessings; the Lord's generously gives us the capacity, health, and mind to work and build wealth. God reminds us that our very strength is a daily endowment from Him, designed to confirm His covenant and grace.

To fully understand God's full generosity, we have to just remember what John writes in John 3:16, "*For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.*"

True generosity is measured by the cost to the giver. God did not give from His excess; God gave His **most precious treasure**.... His Son. The motivation for this extreme generosity is pure, unconditional love, offering a gift (eternal life) that humanity could never earn or repay.

Let us not forget the way God always provides.... From the story in Genesis, we learn that God asks Abraham to sacrifice his son, Isaac. Then just as Abraham lifts the knife, the Angel of the Lord stops him, and God provides a ram caught in the thicket to take Isaac's place. Abraham names the place *Jehovah-jireh*, meaning "*The Lord Will Provide.*"

So, our takeaway is that this story beautifully foreshadows John 3:16. It shows that God does not demand sacrifices from us that God is unwilling to match with His own provision. When compliance requires everything from us, God's **generosity meets us at the point of our deepest testing**. He steps into our impossibility and provides the substitute we need.

Finally, when we piece these scriptures together, we see a complete picture of a generous God:

- He **owns** the world and all in it. (Psalm 24:1)
- He **equips** us to live and thrive on it. (Deuteronomy 8:17-18)
- He **spares** us from our own scarcity and judgment. (Genesis 22)
- He **redeems** us at the highest possible cost to Himself. (John 3:16)

God's generosity is not an occasional act; it is the heartbeat of who He is. Experiencing this reality transforms us from fearful hoarders into grateful stewards who can give freely, knowing our Source is limitlessly generous.

SMALL-GROUP QUESTIONS

1. Against whom and what do we measure our successes?
2. What is the biggest thing you ever had to give up? And how did it make you feel?
3. What do you understand about tithing?

WEEKLY PRACTICAL ACTIVITY: GOD OWNS IT ALL

Purpose: Put the truth of God's ownership and provision into practice.

1. Complete a personal L.I.F.E. inventory: list one gift or resource under Labor, Influence, Finances and Expertise.
2. Prayerfully choose one item from the inventory to dedicate more intentionally to God this week.
3. Use that resource in a specific act of generosity, for example, offer practical help, encourage someone, share a skill or meet a need.
4. At the next gathering, briefly share what you did, what you learned about God's provision and how the experience affected your view of stewardship.

DAILY DEVOTIONS: WEEK 1

MONDAY — Memory Verse: *"The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it."* — Psalm 24:1

Prayer: Lord, because everything belongs to You, teach me to receive and manage Your gifts with gratitude, humility and care.

TUESDAY — Memory Verse: *"Remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth."* — Deuteronomy 8:18

Prayer: Generous God, thank You for every ability and opportunity You provide. Keep me from pride and help me use them faithfully.

WEDNESDAY — Memory Verse: *"You may say to yourself, 'My power and the strength of my hands have produced this wealth for me.'"* — Deuteronomy 8:17

Prayer: Father, forgive me when I treat success as self-made. Remind me that my strength, skills and opportunities are gifts from You.

THURSDAY — Memory Verse: *"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son."* — John 3:16

Prayer: Thank You for giving Jesus in love. Let Your generous love shape the way I offer my time, attention and resources to others.

FRIDAY — Memory Verse: *"So Abraham called that place The Lord Will Provide."* — Genesis 22:14

Prayer: God of provision, help me trust You when obedience feels costly. Strengthen my faith in Your presence and faithful care.

SATURDAY — Memory Verse: *"God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son."* — Genesis 22:8

Prayer: Lord, when I cannot see the outcome, help me trust Your provision and obey You with an open and generous heart.

SUNDAY — Memory Verse: *“The world, and all who live in it” belong to the Lord.* — Psalm 24:1

Prayer: Lord, receive my whole life—my labor, influence, finances and expertise. May everything I am and have honor You. Amen.

FAMILY DEVOTION: Everything Belongs to God

Theme: Relocating and Repositioning Your Life with a Full Heart

Week 1: God is the Owner and Provider

Bible Reading: *“The earth is the Lord’s, and everything in it.”* — Psalm 24:1

Imagine someone giving you a beautiful toy to look after. They say, *“This belongs to me, but I’m trusting you to take care of it.”* How would you treat it? You would probably look after it carefully, because you know it isn't really yours.

The Bible reminds us that **everything we have ultimately comes from God**. Our homes, families, abilities, time, money, food, opportunities and even our lives are gifts from Him.

Sometimes we think, *“This is my money,”* or *“This is my time,”* or *“This is what I can do.”* But stewardship means stopping and remembering: ***“God has trusted me with these things. How can I use them for Him?”***

John 3:16 reminds us of the greatest gift God has ever given us, Jesus. God doesn't give reluctantly or grudgingly. He gives because He loves us. And when we understand God's generosity towards us, our response can become one of **gratitude, trust and generosity**.

1. A Family Question

Go around the family and let everyone name:

1. One thing God has given me that I am thankful for.
2. One thing God has trusted me with that I could use to bless someone else.

For children, this could be a toy, talent, friendship, time or helping hands. For adults, it could be finances, skills, time, a home, relationships or opportunities.

2. Our Big Thought

Everything I have is a gift from God, and I can use what He has given me to bless others.

This week, let's try to **reposition our hearts**- from *“What can I keep?”* to: ***“God, what have You given me, and how can I use it faithfully?”***

3. Family Prayer

Dear God,

Thank You for everything You have given us.

Thank You for our family, our homes, our abilities, our opportunities and most of all, for Jesus.

Help us to remember that everything belongs to You.

Give us grateful hearts instead of complaining hearts, generous hearts instead of selfish hearts, and trusting hearts instead of fearful hearts.

Show us how we can use what You have given us to love You, serve others and make a difference in the world.

Help us to relocate and reposition our lives around You, with **full hearts**.

Amen.