Message from God's Life-Giving Word

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Stranger Things – The Art of Making Disciples

Generosity 2.0

How i	s the	on-going	Mission?
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For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake	Не
became poor , so that you by His poverty might become rich . 2 Corinthians 8:9	

* The bottom line on Generosity – <u>Priorities</u> - how are yours?		
The 5 Capitals:	1-	
	2-	
	3-	
	4-	

Who/what declares your identity? How do you know?

I have been **crucified with Christ**. It is **no longer I** who live, **but Christ** who lives in me. The life I now live in the flesh I live **by faith** in the Son of God, who loved me and **gave Himself** for me. Galatians 2:20

Three Levels of Generosity

1 (the Tit	he
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Bring the **whole tithe** into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house. **Test Me** in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of Heaven and pour out **so much blessing** there will not be room enough to store it. Malachi 3:10

2	Offerings
They gave as much as they	were able, but they took it to a whole other level, and they did it
beyond even their abilities.	Entirely on their own giving first to the Lord and then to us .
2 Corinthians 8:3-5 (PT para	aphrase)

3. Gifts

You will be enriched in every way to be **generous in every way**, which through us will produce **thanksgiving** to God. For the ministry of this service is **not only** supplying the **needs of the saints** but is also **overflowing** in many thanksgivings to God. By their approval of this service, they will **glorify God** because of your <u>submission</u> that comes **from your confession** of the Gospel of Christ, and the **generosity** of your contribution for **them** and for **all others**, while they long for you and pray for you, because of the surpassing grace of God upon you. Thanks be to God for **His inexpressible gift!** 2 Corinthians 9:11-15

Continue your on-going 'Mission':

Notice, Pray, Listen (without advice), Reach out in Love, Value relationships more, be a Welcoming presence and:

Continue to pray for God's priorities in your life towards the Capitals you have been given.

Where are you currently on Tithes, Offerings, and Supernatural Giftings?

Where would you like to be?

How can you get there?

Use generosity to open doorways to engage with the people around you.

Next Steps

- 1. Journal the following: Do you tithe? Why or why not? Do you give offerings above and beyond the tithe? Why or why not? Have you ever been led by God into Supernatural giving? What was that like and how did God bless you?
- 2. Read Malachi 3. What does the Lord challenge you to do in this text? Is it a suggestion or a command? What are the promises He makes? What is one step you can make this week to be obedient to His plan?
- 3. Review our 'Mission' above. Pray for God's priorities in your life towards the Five Capitals and how you can extend Generosity to engage with people?

REMEMBER: Your time in daily devotion and prayer is not just for your benefit. It is also for the benefit of others. Share what God is teaching you.