



## Five Habits that Jesus Had

### Generous Heart – 9/19/2010

#### *Sermon Notes*

1. Generosity **makes me more like God**
2. My heart **follows my wallet.**
3. Grace Giving Principles
  - Joyfully
  - Willing
  - Sacrificially
4. Giving has nothing to do with **assets** but **with attitude.**
5. God's Power In Group Giving

Focus	Scripture	Results
Tabernacle	Exodus 36	Gave to much
Temple	1 Chronicles 28-29	Celebration
Ministry	Acts 2	Gospel spreads
Benevolence	2 Cor. 8-9	Thanksgiving

### *Small Group Questions*

1. Describe someone you know who is generous and what you believe motivates his or her generosity.
2. Jesus taught frequently about material possessions and over half of the parables concern finances. Why do you believe Jesus spent so much time talking about this topic in His day and time?
3. Read Matthew 6:19-24. What is the main point Jesus is communicating here? What qualifies as treasure for you?
4. What are the top two items you worry about most? What makes those items top on your list?
5. The Bible says in 2 Corinthians 8:7, "Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." What is the difference between a cheerful giver and a reluctant giver? Do you identify more with the cheerful or reluctant giver?
6. In what way is giving an act of faith? What does this phrase mean to you, "Equal sacrifice not equal giving"?
7. Discuss what kind of project your group might be able to pool resources together to make a difference?