



STUDY GUIDE: June 14, 2026

Message Series: More Than Gold
Message Title: A Generous Life
Teaching Pastor: Brian Hughes

Warm-up / Icebreaker (10 min.)

What is the most generous thing someone has ever done for you?

Pray:

Heavenly Father, thank You for every blessing You have poured into our lives. Open our hearts today to hear Your wisdom about generosity. Help us trust You more deeply, hold our possessions more loosely, and reflect Your generous character in the way we live. Teach us to honor You with all that we have and to become people who freely give because we have freely received. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Get Started (30 min.)

- When you hear the word "generosity," what comes to mind?

"If the character of God is to give generously, and if I want to increasingly become who God wants me to be, then I have to develop the same character. And I do that by asking God to instill it in me. God freely gave - of himself - for the world He loves. I must freely give, too. Because I am constantly inviting God to mold me, shape me, change me, and instill his character in me." -Pastor Brian Hughes

Read Proverbs 11:24-25.

- Why do you think generosity often feels risky even when Scripture promises blessing?
- What kinds of blessings have you experienced that were not necessarily financial?

Read Proverbs 22:9.

- Why do you think God connects blessing with generosity?
- How does generosity reveal what we truly trust in?

Reflect and Commit (30 min.)

Pastor Brian said, "We are generous because generosity is born of blessing." Everything we have ultimately comes from God.

Read Proverbs 3:9-10.

- What does it mean to honor God with your "first fruits" rather than your leftovers?

Read Psalm 24:1.

- How might your approach to money change if you truly viewed everything you have as belonging to God?

Pastor Brian challenged us with the idea that generosity is not primarily about an amount but about developing the character of God within us.

Read Matthew 10:8b.

- In what ways has God been generous to you beyond finances?
- What fears or obstacles sometimes keep people from living generously?
- What is one practical step you could take this week to grow in generosity—with your time, resources, encouragement, or finances?

“Church - whatever success we’ve had at achieving what God wanted us to do can be linked back to the faithfulness of his people, who believed in our mission enough to sacrifice and commit to making it happen. YOU get to be a part of something so life changing and life giving that we should hardly be able to contain ourselves.” -Pastor Brian Hughes

Gather Prayer Requests (5–10 min.)

Share prayer needs and take time to pray for one another.

Closing Prayer:

Father God, thank You for Your incredible generosity toward us. Everything we have comes from Your hand. Help us to trust You more than we trust our possessions. Free us from fear, selfishness, and scarcity thinking. Teach us to honor You with our resources and to live with open hands and open hearts. May our generosity reflect Your character and point others to Your goodness. In Jesus' name, Amen.