



Generosity, Gift and Grace – Course Outline

Generosity, Gift and Grace are basic characteristics of the nature of God. He is a generous God, who shows his generosity in creation. His grace is revealed fully in Jesus Christ, and his gift is shown to us in the Holy Spirit and that gift of new life that makes Christian giving possible. This five-session course covers:

1. Generous God – All things come from you

Learning points

- a. God's generosity
 - i. the nature and character of God
 - ii. God's vision for creation and recreation (redemption)
 - iii. We see signs of God's generosity all around us
- b. Stewardship
 - i. Stewards care for things and people on behalf of others
 - ii. Our responsibilities of for the world, the local and worldwide church, and other people

2. Generous People – Serving God with our time and talents

Learning points

- a. In a team of volunteers everyone has a part to play – we're not all engine drivers but everything is important
- b. Volunteers – serving God in the local church and in the community and their places of work

3. Generous Giving – Serving God through our use of money

Learning points

- a. Money is an important part life
- b. Church needs to be financed
- c. Principles for thinking and praying about our giving

4. Generosity towards others – Letting our faith shape our lives

Learning points

- a. Generous attitude v mean spirited
- b. Open hearted and hospitable

5. Generous Family – Sharing and supporting

Learning points

- a. Church as extended family
 - i. We support one another
 - ii. We need additional help and support from outside
 - iii. Openness and transparency in finance
- b. Overall summary of the 5 sessions