



Loop



SMALL GROUP LEADER GUIDE

Week 2: *Be Generous Always*
Generosity

The Point

God sees what people can't see.

The Verse

Matthew 6:1-4 NLT

"Watch out! Don't do your good deeds publicly, to be admired by others, for you will lose the reward from your Father in heaven. When you give to someone in need, don't do as the hypocrites do—blowing trumpets in the synagogues and streets to call attention to their acts of charity! I tell you the truth, they have received all the reward they will ever get. But when you give to someone in need, don't let your left hand know what your right hand is doing. Give your gifts in private, and your Father, who sees everything, will reward you."

Order of Experience

Countdown/Hang Out

Icebreaker in Small Groups

Emcee Welcome

Worship

Emcee Transition to Message

Message/Salvation

Offering

Announcements

Activity/Small Group

Small Group Discussion

Check Out

Small Group Discussion

YouVersion Bible Plan

Make sure students check out the Bible Plan associated with this week:

What is Generosity?

Icebreaker Question

What is your favorite Christmas dessert?

Choose questions for your small group.

1. What's one thing you learned from the message today?
2. If you had been in the experiment with the kids in today's episode, what choice would you have made? What makes you say that?
3. Read **Matthew 6:1-4 NLT** (*printed on the front of this guide*). What is Jesus telling us about giving? (*Help students know our motives for giving shouldn't be to get something in return or to receive applause or recognition. Instead, we give because it's the right thing to do. And when we give with the right heart, God sees it and rewards us.*)
4. Has anyone ever done something generous for you in secret? What was it?
5. Read the point. How can that inspire you to be generous, even if you won't get applause for it?
6. What are some ways you can be generous to others, without making a big deal about it?
7. What are some good reasons to give to others? (*Showing others that God loves them and cares for them, meeting a need someone has because you care about them, because it helps us become like Jesus, etc.*)
8. Take prayer requests, and pray for your students.

Leader Notes/Announcements

- Promote **Swerve** to your 6th grade students.
- Invite your 6th grade students to **Switch** on Wednesday nights.
- Encourage students to read the YouVersion Bible Plan: **What is Generosity?** It's with the Switch Bible Plans.