

# LESSON ONE:

## A GENEROUS VISION



### LESSON AT-A-GLANCE

#### CORE TRUTHS

More than ever, we must grasp the generous vision given by God in our history and let it continue to inspire HIS story to be written through our lives.

#### CATM VISION

Be a deeply faithful, remarkably healthy, highly impactful multi-site church.

#### TEXT

Read Acts 5:1-15.

#### CONTENT

More than ever, we need to understand that God's Church has been marked and moved by generosity from the beginning: Founded on the generosity of God the Father that was revealed in the sacrifice of Jesus, His Son, and actively poured into our lives by the gift of His Holy Spirit.

As the Church began in Acts 2:42-47, we see the generosity of believers overflowing to carry the truth of the Gospel into a world in need of a Savior. In Acts 3 and 4 we see the Church continuing to boldly and generously reach out with the gospel, meeting both the spiritual and physical needs of people they encountered.

Acts 4:32 even says that, "...the full number of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one said that any of the things that belonged to him was his own, but they had everything in common."

Acts 5, however, begins with the story of two people who seemed to share the great vision and mission of God's Church, but the reality of their hearts was far from it. Their boldness was not the kind of boldness the believers prayed for in Acts 4. They had the audacity to try to deceive God.

Deceit and pride breeding in the human heart attempted to interrupt the progress of the people of God as His church. Ananias and Sapphira were not seeking to generously partner with the vision of God's Kingdom, they were seeking the respect and praise of man for having the appearance of generosity. They were lying to themselves and to their fellow believers. They were lying to God. They wanted the image of spirituality without the reality of a spiritual life.

So why are we unpacking this unsettling story of Ananias and Sapphira? Because we need to be unsettled by the truth of this story so that we are not undone by the enemy's lies on this journey of generosity.

There is power in the true and generous vision of God. Because of this, even in the early life of God's Church, the enemy began trying to convince believers to fall for a counterfeit version of God's vision in his attempt to bring death instead of life.

Ananias and Sapphira chose to follow a counterfeit version of the vision that had been given by God in Acts 1 and 2. This counterfeit version of the vision was not established by God. It was rooted in the sinfulness of their own human heart. It was blinded by pride and flowed from the sinful nature of their soul. This counterfeit vision was concerned with appearance and convenience instead of generous and glad-hearted obedience to the Lord. The counterfeit version of the vision did not empower them, it left them powerless. The counterfeit version of the vision made much of self instead of pointing people to the gospel of Christ. The counterfeit version of the vision made it impossible for them to engage those in need with the gospel because they were now in the grave.

More than ever, we must take time to know the truth of the vision God has given us, the Church, as revealed to us in God's Word.

More than ever, we must take time to understand how the past, present, and future vision of Church at The Mill aligns with Biblical Truth so we can genuinely and generously partner with God's work.

## **THE VISION**

To understand where we are on the journey of generosity and where God is asking us to follow, it is imperative that we consider where we have been. More than ever, we must grasp the generous vision given by God in our history and let it continue to inspire HIS story to be written through our lives.

## **THE VISION ESTABLISHED**

In February of 1988, 30 people gathered in our founding pastor's living room and had a simple vision: to begin a church on the growing westside of Spartanburg that reached people with the gospel. Rev. Floyd Loudermilk led the first services of Anderson Mill Road Baptist Church in a 25'x50' room with just a dozen people. The space was small, but the vision they established to impact Spartanburg was huge.

## **THE VISION EMBRACED**

A huge step of faith was taken at the historic first groundbreaking that took place in the winter of 1988. It was a remarkable event in the life of our young church. Embracing the vision and direction God had given, charter members put their own assets on the line because of what they believed the church would become one day. Rev. Loudermilk once told his daughter, Brenda Blackwell, "You know, honey, one of these days, God is going to do something huge in this place."

## **THE VISION ENCOUNTERED**

In 2007, Church at The Mill was overflowing. Hallways were jammed. Student spaces were tight. Getting from Sunday school classrooms to the sanctuary was a struggle because of all the people. The church was encountering the vision at work. God had faithfully provided for this growth by allowing their seven-acre campus to increase to 25 acres. With this, the possibility of building a large facility became a reality. After launching a capital campaign, the church broke ground together in the winter of 2008. The first phase of building began with a new worship center, now the Kid's Theater, which was designed to be a middle step to a final worship center. Church at The Mill continued to minister to families, the community, and even the world as our reach was extended through an increased focus on missions.

"This is a great stepping stone for the church. It is very satisfying to watch this happen and to see a new building that will bring people to the Lord. To have a new generation of people be able to help and reap the harvest of their efforts is a privilege. It makes me very emotional to think about walking down the aisle of the new sanctuary for the first time. You never know how the things we do today will affect tomorrow, we just have to do what we can now."

-Harold Brock (charter member), in 2008

## **THE VISION EXPANDED**

In less than ten years, the need for expansion was evident for the amazing growth God was providing at Church at The Mill. In 2016, CATM entered a three-year campaign called GREATER to build a new worship center. The campaign ran officially from 2017-2019 with additional opportunities for new and continued participation in 2020 and 2021. The campaign was a tremendous success. On Palm Sunday, 2019 the ribbon was cut on a 16.8-million-dollar facility. In the years to follow, the church navigated the pandemic incredibly well. The debt was aggressively retired, the membership grew, and a 2.1-million-dollar project to upfit the Christian Life Center into a new Student Center was executed with cash.

## **THE VISION EMPOWERED**

Over the years, God has honored the unity, commitment, and surrender to the vision He provided over 30 years ago. These sacrifices have empowered what was a future vision to now become a present reality for Church at The Mill. Since the unified push for a church wide campaign in 2016, Church at The Mill as a whole has added 1700 new members. Two new campuses have been added. Many people have never had the opportunity since coming to Church at The Mill to be a part of a vision centered campaign to encourage generosity and kingdom investment. Now is the time...more than ever.

## **THE VISION ENGAGED**

God has positioned Church at The Mill to do His work through His people.

The vision of Church at The Mill is to become a deeply faithful, remarkably healthy, highly impactful multi-site church. This vision is carried out in the way that we Gather, Grow, Give and Go together according to God's Word. Through the years, the vision of Church at The Mill has been established, embraced, encountered, expanded, empowered and now, more than ever, we stand on the precipice of being able to engage our community and beyond with the hope and power of the Gospel like never before.

We are reaching people more than ever.

We are ministering to people more than ever.

We are sending people to our neighbors and the nations more than ever.

More than ever, we must come together as a church body and commit to be spiritually and financially engaged with the kingdom vision for Church at The Mill.

Church at The Mill has a history that is saturated with a vision that aligns with God's Word. God has been so generous with the vision that has been established, embraced, encountered, expanded, empowered and engaged for the kingdom of God here at Church at The Mill. He has called us to be a deeply faithful, remarkably healthy, highly impactful multi-site church...not for the sake of appearances, and not for our personal convenience; it is for the sake of a lost and dying world in need of their Savior. More than ever, we must keep the truth of this Holy Spirit inspired vision front and center in our story- past, present, and future. More than ever, we must grasp the generous vision given by God in our history and let it continue to inspire HIS story to be written through our lives.

## **CONNECTIONS**

1. When considering the brief overview of CATM's history, what stands out to you? How do you see God's hand at work in CATM's past and present?
2. Why do you think it is so easy to fall into the trap of appearance and convenience, even within the church? How can this affect our journey of generosity both as an individual and as a church family?
3. Read again Acts 5:14. This is a direct result of obedience to the generous vision of God. How can we make sure we are partnering with the actual vision from God and not a counterfeit?

## **CALL TO ACTION**

- Pray for the Lord to show you where you are settling for the enemy's counterfeit in your life. Ask for boldness to step out of those lies driven by appearance and convenience and into the true vision God has for your life.
- Pray specifically for the various ministries of Church at The Mill. Consider the ways you have been impacted by the ministry here. Let the Lord water those seeds of gratitude to give way to a harvest of generosity.
- Pray for God's direction related to your participation in More Than Ever.
- Pray that the Lord will continue to develop an attitude of joy and gratefulness for the many opportunities God has given us to minister to our community.

# LESSON TWO:

## A GENEROUS GOD



### LESSON AT-A-GLANCE

#### CORE TRUTHS

More than Ever, we must remember the generous grace of God and allow it to inspire our faithfulness to Him in all things.

#### CATM VISION

Be deeply faithful.

#### TEXT

Read 2 Corinthians 8:1-12 and Ephesians 2:1-9.

#### CONTENT

God's church has been marked and moved by generosity from the beginning: founded on the generosity of God the Father that was revealed in the sacrifice of Jesus, His Son, and actively poured into our lives by the gift of His Holy Spirit.

We have seen this in what God has done for us, in us, and through us at Church at The Mill. The generosity of God has been poured into our lives through His immeasurable grace!

More than Ever, we must remember the generous grace of God and allow it to inspire our faithfulness to Him in all things.

Ephesians 2 reminds us that:

We deserved death, but He has given us life through Jesus!

We deserved separation from God, but He has given us a relationship with Him!

We deserved condemnation, but He has given us salvation!

We deserved the struggle of bearing the weight of life and a sinful, depraved mind, but instead He has given us His Holy Spirit to strengthen, guide, and empower us!

The degree to which we trust the faithfulness of God is the degree to which we will be faithful. God saw our desperate state of sin. Yet, He did not withhold the unparalleled generous act of sacrificing His Son, Jesus, for us even while we were still His enemies (Romans 5:8). This greatest act of generosity came from the heart of God fueled by His love for His children.

1 John 3:1 reminds us, "See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are..."

When we allow the depth of God's love and faithfulness to take root in our lives, a harvest generosity will be produced in and through us. A deeply faithful people will be marked by their abundant generosity. Why? Because they are secure and confident in the faithful God they serve and willingly give out of His abundance.

We see this in 2 Corinthians 8:1-12 as the apostle Paul refers to the churches of Macedonia. Their response to the grace of God and His faithfulness was faithful generosity. They were not just grateful for what God had done for them, they were generous because of it. When we look full on at God's loving and generous nature, we see that generosity is at the very core of the gospel message.

When we consider this journey of generosity, it is not simply about what we can give. First and foremost, it is about what God has already given us in His Son, Jesus.

2 Corinthians 8:9 says, "For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich."

There is no one more generous than God. His grace is evidence of that. When we give our life to God and live to become more like Him, we are positioning our hearts to grow in that same abundant faithfulness and generosity.

Generosity is the overflow of a redeemed heart and life. As we understand everything from Him, to Him, for Him, by Him (Romans 11:36), faithful giving becomes the natural response. We come to understand that giving is truly a privilege, not just a requirement. It is not about what is required to be given, it is about the opportunity to faithfully give and partner with God who gave so graciously and made a way for us to go from death to life.

We are called to be deeply faithful in response to the great faithfulness of our unchanging God. It is His faithfulness that enables our faithfulness.

In His generosity, He established the Church, a God-ordained community rooted in Himself, so that we can experience personal and Kingdom growth far beyond our own ability and vision!

Together, we can be deeply faithful because God has been and is faithful to us.

Together, we can be deeply generous because God has been and is generous to us.

John 1:16 reminds us, "For from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace."

As we remind ourselves of the faithfulness of God, let the power of the Gospel fuel our own faithfulness and generosity, now more than ever.

## CONNECTIONS

1. Think about the reality of the grace of God for us as sinners. How does that grace inspire faithfulness and generosity?
2. What aspects of life make being deeply faithful to God difficult?
3. In what ways have you seen your depth of faithfulness to God connected to your degree of generosity in your life?
4. Do you ever struggle to see God as generous? Why? What scripture from this lesson can you cling to in times that you doubt his generous nature?
5. Why do you think community within the body of Christ is important as we seek to be deeply faithful?

## CALL TO ACTION

- Spend time thinking about the grace of God this week and what it means for you personally. Take time to thank God for His abundant grace in your life.
- Pray that God would show you areas in which you are closed handed to Him. Ask for courage to live an open handed life to the Lord, willing to freely give because He freely gave.
- Write out a verse this week that reminds you of the faithfulness of God and inspires you to be faithful and generous in return. Place it somewhere you can read it daily as a reminder to live in response to our generous God.
- Pray for someone in your sphere of influence who is lost and far from God. Pray for the opportunity to share about the abundant grace of God with them.
- Pray that God will continue to provide opportunities for Church at The Mill to faithfully minister to the lost and share the Gospel.

# LESSON THREE:

## A GENEROUS SURRENDER



### LESSON AT-A-GLANCE

#### CORE TRUTHS

More Than Ever, we surrender our heart, soul, strength, and mind to be a remarkably healthy church for God's glory.

#### CATM VISION

Be remarkably healthy.

#### TEXT

Read Luke 10:27.

#### CONTENT

A disciple is someone who adheres to the teaching of another. In regard to Jesus, it is quite literally someone who takes up His ways, who learns from Him and lives like Him. Luke 10:27 puts it this way, "....love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself".

As a Christ follower, our journey of generosity must be marked by the surrender that accompanies a true disciple of Christ. A remarkably healthy church begins with remarkably healthy people who choose to genuinely and generously worship Christ, serve Christ, and be a witness for Christ in all that they say and do.

When we answer the call to be a disciple, we can then answer the call to make disciples. The CATM vision to be a remarkably healthy church is carried out through a focus on the Great Commission call of making disciples. Church at The Mill accomplishes this through a biblically sound four prong discipleship strategy:

Small Groups, Mentor Groups, Equipping Classes, and Biblical Counseling.

A discipleship strategy, however, is only as effective as our willingness to walk this out in the lives of one another. As we go about answering our call to "go and make disciples" we must generously surrender to our Savior and His service. The genuine love of small groups allows our hearts to be encouraged and strengthened by the transformational power of His Spirit and the truth of His Word working within each of us. The specific training of an equipping class helps us to renew our minds through the truth of God's Word. The specific challenge of a mentor group strengthens us through meaningful accountability, prayer, and Bible study. And lastly, our souls are refreshed through the compassionate help of our Biblical Counseling ministry. These four discipleship environments offer every follower of Christ the opportunity to generously surrender their lives to the Lord. In that place of generous surrender is where we continually develop the spiritual growth and health that allows us to live an impactful life for Christ and His kingdom.

Discipleship is a journey- one that must begin with the generous surrender of our lives to Jesus' way instead of our own. The journey of discipleship is marked by intentional life choices to follow Jesus and become more like Him with all of our heart, soul, strength and mind.

A follower of Jesus, or disciple, needs four things present in their lives to be strong, healthy, and effective. He/she needs to be:

- 1. Genuinely Loved**
- 2. Intentionally Challenged**
- 3. Specifically Trained**
- 4. Compassionately Helped**

Our discipleship strategy addresses these needs in four ways. Each effort prioritizes meeting one of the needs while secondarily addressing the others.

Our Small Groups lead with love. God's Word is always present but building real relationships in the context of Christian love is the goal.

Our Mentor Groups are designed to develop. Intentionally challenging one another inside a one-on-one, one year relationship creates remarkable growth that can be replicated.

Our Equipping Classes dive deeper into specific subjects or parts of God's Word for one semester.

Our Biblical Counseling ministry offers hope and healing in times of crisis through applying God's Word with compassionate care.



**So how many of these opportunities should I have in my life at any one time? How often should I be found in any of these four settings?**

We do not believe it is sustainable or wise for a member to feel as though the expectation is for them to be in each of these settings at all times. The ebb and flow of life requires that a healthy movement exists between these opportunities. This can be affected by various seasons of life; personal obligations, personal needs, and individual leadership by the Holy Spirit in a person's life.

As it relates to the time invested in these four parts of our discipleship strategy, it is our desire for every member of CATM to set the following goals as they seek to live a life generously surrendered to the Lord more than ever:

1. Your rhythm should be Small Groups. Being connected to a small group should be a constant part of the flow of your life within CATM. Groups launch, divide, and at times even come to an end. But a consistent connection to a small group on a weekly basis is healthy for every disciple.
2. Your regimen should be a Mentor Group. The pattern of a disciple's life should involve intentionally pouring into another's growth and maturation in Christ. A consistent commitment of making time each year to invest in one other person is immeasurably valuable and beautifully faithful.
3. Your reinforcement should be an Equipping Class. On occasion a disciple needs to go deeper on a particular subject or portion of God's Word. These classes are powerful weapons in the arsenal of a Christian's life.
4. Your refuge should be Biblical Counseling. Turning to trained biblical counselors in times of great pain, sorrow, or crisis is tremendously healthy and it displays the humility and courage needed to overcome life's most difficult challenges.

The success of this journey of generosity will not be marked by the amount we choose to give; it is about how much of ourselves we choose to surrender.

**More than ever, we must personally and corporately surrender all of our heart, soul, strength, and mind to be a remarkably healthy church for God's glory.**

### CONNECTIONS

1. A definition of a disciple was provided. How would you define a disciple? What does a remarkably healthy disciple look like? Discuss.
2. Read Psalm 86:10-12. How do these words align with the heart of a true disciple of Christ?
3. The CATM Discipleship Strategy was explained above. What part of this strategy seems difficult for your current season of life? How can you overcome obstacles to integrating a lifestyle of discipleship?
4. Consider and discuss what shifts have to happen in a life that is defined by being generously surrendered in heart, mind, soul, strength, and service.
5. Consider and discuss how a church body that is generously surrendered could impact a community in need of the gospel.

### CALL TO ACTION

- Pray specifically for Small Groups. Pray for small group leaders by name. Pray for all ages that meet together in a small group setting across
- CATM campuses.
- Pray specifically for mentor groups. Ask God to show you someone to mentor and/or show you someone that could mentor you.
- Pray specifically for equipping classes that are happening weekly across CATM campuses. Pray for life transformation as people learn more about the heart of God.
- Pray specifically for the CATM Biblical Counseling ministry. Pray for the counselors and counselees as they walk the path of healing and wisdom God has provided.
- Read Psalm 139:23-24 and pray that truth over your life and over our church. Ask the Lord to reveal anything that may stand in the way of living a life of generous surrender now more than ever.

# LESSON FOUR:

## A Generous Life



### LESSON AT-A-GLANCE

#### CORE TRUTHS

More Than Ever, we need to pursue a generous life that impacts the world in response to a generous God.

#### CATM VISION

Be a highly impactful multi-site church.

#### TEXT

Read 2 Corinthians 5:11-21 and 2 Corinthians 2:14-17.

#### CONTENT

We were designed for a purpose. Each of our lives have value (Psalm 139). And Jesus died to make sure we knew that. Without a doubt, our lives will make an impact on this world- but the question we have to answer is this: will it be for our glory or the glory of God?

More Than Ever, we need to pursue a generous life that impacts the world in response to a generous God.

The call to live out loud for Jesus can sometimes seem overwhelming and impossible. It may feel easier to sit in the past reality of our sin than it is to embrace the present reality of our forgiveness. When we allow that to take over our minds, we live from fear and scarcity rather than from the abundant grace of God that transforms us! 2 Corinthians 5:16-17 offers this life changing hope for us who have trusted Christ as Lord and Savior, "From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come."

As a new creation, we do not clamor for the forgiveness of God; we stand forgiven.

As a new creation, we do not work for God's love; we are in God's love.

As a new creation, we do not rely on mere actions to develop generosity; we allow the generosity of Christ to develop a heart of generosity in us that flows into our every action.

As we genuinely respond to the grace saturated generosity of God, our lives will point others to Him in ways we could never have imagined. Verses 18 and 19 of this text tell us that we are called to this ministry of reconciliation. That means we are all called to proclaim the good news of the gospel with our lives so that others who are far from God will receive forgiveness of sin made possible by the blood of Jesus Christ! Verse 20 says it this way, "Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us...". God wants the world to see His love in and through each of our lives. A generous life inspired and guided by the Spirit of God will be a life that impacts the world for the Kingdom of God.

Just as we should individually pursue a life impact that flows from and reflects the generosity of God, that same pursuit should be evident in the life of our church.

We believe that the Church at The Mill vision is one that is from God, meant to be accomplished with God as we focus on God. This vision is carried out in the way that we Gather, Grow, Give and Go together according to God's Word.

There is incredible growth happening within our walls and in the community around us. There is also an undeniable need. God has prepared us and positioned us to reach out and meet the incredible needs present within both. We believe that God has generously given so that in turn, we can generously give. 2 Corinthians 9:7-8 says, "Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work". In order to do that, we must be sure the pattern of life we are pursuing is grounded in the truth of God's Word. The mission to be a highly impactful multi-site church must be for the glory of God and the growth of His Kingdom, not our own.

## **CHURCH AT THE MILL VALUES AND PURPOSE**

Our values and purpose rooted in God's Word are our constant guides in the pursuit of a generous life impact. These values assist us both individually and corporately in staying on target, and keeping Jesus and His mission at the center of it all, more than ever.

## **CHURCH AT THE MILL VALUES THE GOSPEL OF GOD IN ALL THINGS**

### **We Value The Word of God in Preaching**

Therefore biblical, Christ-centered exposition is all we do.

### **We Value The Glory of God in Worship**

Therefore, authenticity and passion guide us.

### **We Value The Legacy of God in The Next Generation**

Therefore, we disproportionately invest in the faith of our children, students, and the young families they represent.

### **We Value The Mission of God to The Nations**

Therefore, we go often and give sacrificially.

### **We Value The Love of God in Community**

Therefore, warmth, kindness, and real relationships matter.

### **We Value The Growth of God in Us**

Therefore, we disciple; desiring every member to mature in Christ.

## **CHURCH AT THE MILL PURPOSE**

### **GATHER**

Worship & Small Groups

The church has always gathered for two reasons. Corporate worship and genuine fellowship. Gathering for worship nurtures our relationship with God as we bless Him and hear from His word. Gathering for fellowship in Small Groups connects us with each other for encouragement and partnership in the gospel.

### **GROW**

Quiet Time & Discipleship

Spiritual growth is an expectation of walking with Christ. Two of the most powerful ways God grows us is through time with Him daily and time with others in discipleship.

### **GIVE**

Financially & Through Serving

Jesus made it clear, "It is more blessed to give than receive." We give in two ways as Christ-followers at Church at The Mill. We give our time as servants by doing ministry side by side, and we give our treasure (money/resources) as stewards of what God has so graciously provided in our life.

### **GO**

Local & International Missions

The gospel is not a "come see" religion. It is a "go tell" message of redemption! We are called to make disciples, and we do this primarily in two ways. We share our faith daily with those around us (locally), and we leave our daily life to engage those we don't normally encounter (internationally).

## **CHURCH AT THE MILL MULTI-CAMPUS MODEL**

Church at The Mill is one church currently meeting on three campuses. Each campus is led by a pastor who preaches live and joins a campus staff in shepherding and leading the members and guests of that location under the guidance of our Senior Pastor, who preaches weekly at our central campus.

Church at The Mill is positioned geographically to make an impact in the exponential growth of people that are unchurched in our area. Sending and planting people steeped in the values and purposes outlined above are key to reaching the lost and those in need of the hope of Christ.

As we consider the vision, values, and purpose given by God, we must answer the call to be generous with our time, resources, talents, service, plans, and priorities.

This journey of generosity may not always be easy, but it is simple. We must simply rely on the Word of God as our guide, the Spirit of God has our strength, and the generosity of God as our example. Now, more than ever, may our lives proclaim the truth of 2 Corinthians 2:14-17 as we pursue a generous life that impacts the world for the Kingdom of Christ:

“But thanks be to God, who in Christ always leads us in triumphal procession, and through us spreads the fragrance of the knowledge of him everywhere. For we are the aroma of Christ to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing, to one a fragrance from death to death, to the other a fragrance from life to life. Who is sufficient for these things? For we are not, like so many, peddlers of God’s word, but as men of sincerity, as commissioned by God, in the sight of God we speak in Christ.” May our lives and our church speak Christ, now more than ever.

## **CONNECTIONS**

1. When do you find that you are more tempted to live from fear and scarcity rather than the abundant grace of God?
2. What do you think it means to be an ambassador for Christ?
3. Practically, what might it look like to pursue a generous life? Does it begin with action or does it begin with acceptance of the finished work of Christ? Why?
4. Consider the CATM values listed within the lesson. Which of these have touched your life in a personal way. Discuss.
5. We are called to be generous with our time, resources, talents, service, plans, and priorities. Which of these is the greatest struggle for you in this season of life? Why? How can considering the values and purposes outlined in the lesson help you in those areas?

## **CALL TO ACTION**

- Pray for the Lord to show you specific ways He is asking you to live generously for the Kingdom of God. Share this with a fellow believer that can hold you accountable as you seek to let the Holy Spirit develop a greater response to the generosity of God in your life.
- This week, choose one unprompted act of kindness within your home and one unprompted act of kindness outside of your home that will put the love and generosity of God on display for someone.
- Pray specifically for More Than Ever. Pray for our church staff, leaders, members, and attendees as they are given the opportunity to partner with the vision God has given Church at The Mill to further His Kingdom.