

Small Group Discussion Guide

VOL 4: Part 34: Partnership in the Gospel: Generosity & Prayer

BIG Idea: Gospel partnership thrives through generous giving and earnest prayer.

Application: We are called to participate in God's mission through sacrificial generosity and intercessory prayer that advances the gospel and unites the Church.

Discussion Questions

Icebreaker: What's the most generous act someone has ever done for you? How did it affect your view of generosity?

1. Read Romans 15:22–24. What does Paul's approach to ministry teach us about who truly owns the mission?
2. Why is it hard for believers to trust God with their resources? What fears or misconceptions often get in the way?
3. According to Romans 15:25–29, how is giving more than a financial act? What makes generosity "gospel work"?
4. Review the seven principles of giving from Ben Witherington (sermon notes). Which one stands out to you, and why?
5. Read Galatians 6:10 and 1 Timothy 6:17–19. How do these verses shape your understanding of Christian responsibility to others?
6. How can generosity heal divisions in the Church, as Paul suggested between Gentile and Jewish believers?
7. Read Romans 15:30–33. What does Paul's view of prayer teach us about partnership in ministry?
8. How can we as a LifeGroup better support missionaries, ministries, or people in need through prayer and giving?
9. What would it look like for generosity to become "joy instead of obligation" in your life?
10. How might your faith grow if you began to give or pray more intentionally for others this month?

Prayer Prompt: Spend time praying for those who carry the gospel to difficult places. Ask God to make your group a community known for generosity, prayer, and unity in the gospel.

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