



LIVE IT OUT!

A Calvary Lutheran Church
Fall Generosity Project
for all Ages
Handout Week 2

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Theme: God uses the gifts and generosity of all people to accomplish his purposes.

God's Story John 6:1-14 (CEV). "When Jesus saw the large crowd coming toward him, he asked Philip, 'Where will we get enough food to feed all these people?' He said this to test Philip, since he already knew what he was going to do. Philip answered, 'Don't you know that it would take almost a year's wages just to buy only a little bread for each of these people?' Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, was one of the disciples. He spoke up and said, 'There is a boy here who has five small loaves of barley bread, and two fish. But what good is that with all these people?' The ground was covered with grass, and Jesus told his disciples to have everyone sit down. About five thousand men were in the crowd. Jesus took the bread in his hands and gave thanks to God. Then he passed the bread to the people and he did the same with the fish, until everyone had plenty to eat. The people ate all they wanted, and Jesus told his disciples to gather up the leftovers so that nothing would be wasted. The disciples gathered them up and filled twelve large baskets with what was left over from the five barley loaves. After the people had seen Jesus work this miracle, they began saying, 'This must be the Prophet who is come into the world!'"

Conversation #1:

1. When we don't think there will be enough, how might we react?
2. When the boy shared his food, what happened?
3. How does God show generosity in this story?
4. What do you hear in this story that gives you joy?

Our/My Household Identity and Story

Goal: Identify and celebrate the people of all ages who are examples of generosity that surround your household.

Key Question: Who has given generously to us?

Conversation #2:

1. When have you been recipient(s) of the generosity of others?
2. Who are the extended family members or friends who have shared their time, talent or wealth with you? Share some stories.
3. Who are models of generosity for you? Does the giving of others inspire us to be generous?
4. For whose generosity am I most thankful? Consider sending them a note expressing your appreciation.
5. Does one's age matter in acting generously?

Affirmation + Blessing: (Share this blessing with each other.) God has blessed us/me through the abundant generosity of others. We/I will joyfully share what God has provided us/me.

CONNECTING GENERATIONS

Action 2

Our Family Tree of Generosity: These are the names of all those who have shared God's abundant generosity with us/me.



The Generosity Challenge

How many canned goods or jars of food are in our/my cupboards and pantry? Count them. What is 10% of that number? What would it mean to give away or purchase 10% of the number of canned and jarred items in our cupboards? How hard would this be to do? Who suffers from being hungry? To whom or where would we/I go to donate these items?



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