

Commitment Sunday

2 Samuel 6:1-15, 17-18 (NLT)

The desire for God's presence to be central among the people drove David's pursuit and sacrifices.

David's desire for God led him to minister to the Lord in generosity and worship.

Generosity is worship to God.

Generosity is warfare against the spirit of mammon.

Generosity is wildly different from the cultural norm.

Ecclesiastes 11:4 (CSB – One who watches the wind will not sow, and the one who looks at the clouds will not reap.

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COMMUNION

Serve them the bread and say, "The body of Christ reconciles us."

Serve them the juice and say, "The blood of Jesus redeems us

Say: You and I are the united body of Christ. Grace and Peace be yours.

PRACTICING THE WAY

As disciples of Jesus, we know our allegiance to Him as King is expressed in our daily practice. We are not pursuing perfection but want to practice our faith each day. These practices will point you toward spiritual formation as an apprentice (disciple) to Jesus.

Start the Bible Recap reading plan with a friend.

Recite this liturgy daily:

Holy Father, there is nothing I have that you have not given me. All I have and am belong to you, bought with the blood of Jesus. To spend everything on myself, and to give without sacrifice, is the way of the world that You cannot abide.

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But generosity is the way of those who call Christ their Lord; who love Him with free hearts and serve Him with renewed minds. Who withstand the delusion of riches that chokes the Word; Whose hearts are in your kingdom and not in the system of the world.

I am determined to increase in generosity until it can be said that there is no needy person among us. I am determined to be trustworthy with such a little thing as money that You may trust me with true riches. Above all, I am determined to be generous because You, Father, are generous.

It is the delight of Your daughters and sons to share Your traits, and to show what You are like to all the world.

Talk it Over (with friends, a spouse, or your Group)

- Read 2 Samuel 6 What do you notice in this passage?
- Sunday's message was about being a generous people, worshiping God through giving. Did anything stand out to you or raise a question?
- What is one thing (other than God) you are passionate about?
- When you hear the word "sacrifice," what comes to your mind?
- Read Psalm 24. What do you notice about this passage?
- Read Ecclesiastes 11:4-6. What do you notice regarding generosity in this passage?