



LIFEGROUPS STUDY GUIDE

"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer." Acts 2:42

SERIES:

Hands and Feet

MESSAGE TITLE:

The Way He Gave

MESSAGE DATE:

03/02/2025

MESSAGE SUMMARY:

Pastor Matt shares a heartfelt message about the importance of generosity, using personal anecdotes and biblical examples to illustrate how Jesus exemplified this value through both His teachings and actions. He emphasizes that true generosity reflects a deep understanding of stewardship, reminding us that everything we have ultimately belongs to God. Throughout the sermon, we're encouraged to embrace radical generosity, inviting listeners to consider tithing and giving beyond their comfort zones to support the church and those in need. Ultimately, he challenges everyone to reflect on their relationship with money and their willingness to trust God, assuring them that He multiplies their faithful generosity.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1.) What does it mean to you when Pastor Matt says that Jesus is the opposite of being 'chintzy'?

Pastor talked about how Jesus showed radical generosity and emphasized that he is not cheap or fake in his actions.

Can you think of a time when you showed generosity to someone? How did it make you feel, and what impact did it have on that person?

2.) In Matthew 22:17-21, Jesus discusses giving to Caesar what is Caesar's and giving to God what is God's. Why do you think it's important to recognize the difference between ownership and stewardship?

Pastor explains that while everything belongs to God, we are stewards of what we have and need to manage it wisely.

How can understanding your role as a steward change the way you view your possessions and finances?

3.) Pastor Matt mentions the principle of tithing as a way to remind ourselves that what we have belongs to God. Why do you think giving a portion back to God might help in remembering that?

He explained that tithing not only supports the church but also symbolizes our recognition that everything we have is from God.

What challenges do you face when considering regular giving, and how could you prepare to overcome them?



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4.) What are some practical ways we can show generosity in our daily lives, as modeled by Jesus?

Throughout the sermon, Pastor gave examples of Jesus's generosity, such as helping those in need and sharing resources.

Think of one specific, actionable way you can demonstrate generosity this week. How can you plan to do it?

5.) How does Jesus' ultimate gift of His life help us understand what true generosity looks like?

Pastor highlighted how Jesus gave His life for us and how this act of love is the ultimate example of generosity.

How can reflecting on Jesus' sacrifice inspire you to approach your own acts of giving and generosity?