

SERMON DISCUSSIONGive Radically

Quotable Moments:

- Our Leader and King was FOR others and modeled what that should look like in our lives.
- Give in the name of Jesus and because of the grace of Jesus.

Scripture: Luke 6:27-36

Key Things You Heard:

- Generosity is less about what you give away and more about how you understand God's grace.
- Generosity Rule says "Do to others as God has done to you."
- Jesus said we should demonstrate radical generosity to the people who least deserve or expect it from us.
- You have been the recipient of radical generosity from your Heavenly Father, even when you were not grateful for His gift.
- He didn't just die to make salvation available to people who would one day choose to trust and follow Him. He died to make salvation available to people who would never follow Him and be enemies of Him.

Pray: Jesus, thank you for your grace given to me, even before I was aware of it. Thank you for giving sacrificially for my salvation and for my benefit, knowing I would take it for granted. Forgive me for the times I have been selfish with what you have given me. Help me to know how to start living in obedience to you today. I desire to follow your example of radical generosity. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Moving Forward:

- If you didn't already give this week, give to our FOR challenge now.
- Memorize Luke 6:35.
- Re-watch and/or share the sermon with a friend. Go to rivertown.cc or the RCC App.

Questions for Group Discussion:

First Minutes: What are some of the local needs you know about in our community that require financial resources? Which ones break your heart?

- Talk about a time when you gave because you would benefit. What was the benefit?
- Read Luke 6:27-30. How does this challenge our normal thinking? In what tone do you think Jesus spoke these words? Was he direct, harsh, loud, kind, firm, timid, or something else?
- Read Luke 6:32–34. How many questions did Jesus ask here? Asking questions was central to Jesus' life and teachings (He asked 307 questions and answered only 3 questions). What can we learn from that?
- Read Luke 6:35–36. How does radical generosity cause people to associate us with Jesus?
- Contrast the Golden Rule with the Generosity Rule?
 Which is easier to live out? Why?
- Talk about a time when God prompted you to be generous? Did you obey or ignore? What did you learn from that experience?
- As a group, dream together of the difference that could be made if followers of Jesus would practice radical generosity. How would our community benefit? What would people think about Jesus' followers if we did that?