



Week 4: The Sacrifice of Generosity

Luke 7:36-50

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Commitment Sunday, 11.20.22

36 Now one of the Pharisees invited Jesus to have dinner with him, so he went to the Pharisee's house and reclined at the table. When a woman who had lived a sinful life in that town learned that Jesus was eating at the Pharisee's house, she brought an alabaster jar of perfume, and as she stood behind him at his feet weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears. Then she wiped them with her hair, kissed them and poured perfume on them.

When the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would know who is touching him and what kind of woman she is-- that she is a sinner."

Amazing grace will make you amazingly grateful.

Amazing gratefulness will make you amazingly generous.

Big Idea: Generosity is a spiritual discipline that requires sacrifice and a plan.

The Plan

1 Cor 16:2-3 On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income, saving it up, so that when I come no collections will have to be made.

The Promise

2 Cor 9:11 You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.



Advent Devotional

"THE PROMISED ONE"

Daily Advent readings explore
what Scripture tells about
the Promised One, Jesus Christ.

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TO READ DEVOTIONAL BOOKLET



BAPTISM

SUNDAY | DECEMBER 4
DURING 9:30 & 11AM SERVICES

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Luke 7:39

**You just might be
a Pharisee if:**

**Amazing grace will make
you amazingly grateful.**

**Amazing gratefulness
will make you
amazingly generous.**

**The Principle of
Sacrificial Giving:**

You can't take it with
you—but you can
send it on ahead.

BIG IDEA

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PLEDGE CARD

Knowing that God can do more than we imagine, in faith I/we intend to give to the **GROWING A LEGACY** campaign over and above my/our regular offerings.

\$ _____ **Initial Sacrificial Gift** to help build momentum for our campaign

\$ _____ **Weekly** for 156 weeks (3 years)

\$ _____ **Monthly** for 36 months (3 years)

\$ _____ **Annually** for 3 years

\$ _____ **Other Timeframe** (for my 3 year giving)

\$ _____ **Asset Gift** worth (approximate value). *Asset description below:*

For example: Stocks, Bonds, Securities, Personal Property, Appreciated Real Estate, Paid-Up Insurance Policies, Charitable Ruses

\$ **Total Commitment** (adding up all your giving categories)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

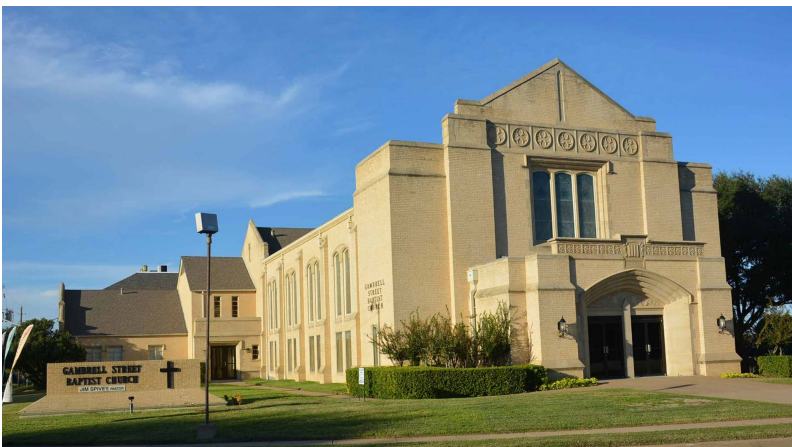
Phone: _____

Email: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

Your commitment is only an indication of your intention to give as you are able. We encourage commitment to be changed for better or for worse.

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Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously.

2 Corinthians 9:6

Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

2 Corinthians 9:7



Commitment Sunday: Nov. 20th

Celebration Sunday: Dec. 4th