ACTIVE
CHURCH

IMMEASURABLY MORE

A six-week journey of faith,
generosity and making room.

October 11 - November 15, 2026

Miracle Offering / November 15

Ephesians 3:20-21

MAKE IT PERSONAL

This is your journey.

Bring this guide to Sunday services and your Life Group.
Keep it nearby for time with God during the week.

THIS GUIDE BELONGS TO

MY LIFE GROUP / LEADER

MY PRAYER FOR THESE SIX WEEKS

Scripture passages are listed for you to read in your Bible. Reflections and summaries are teaching commentary, not Bible quotations.

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HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

Weekly Message Notes

Each week begins with fill-in-the-blank notes from the weekend message and a place to take your own notes. Use this space to jot down anything God speaks to you during the message series.

Life Group Group Guides

Next, you'll find the key thought, key verse, and discussion questions to guide your Life Group each week. Don't forget to bring your guide with you to your group!

Not part of a Life Group yet? Find one near you at ***myactivechurch.org/life-groups***

Daily Devotional

Finally,you will findthe devotional we will read together as a church, beginning Monday, October 12th. The daily devotional takes place five days a week, Monday through Friday. Spend a few minutes reflecting on the questions each day. In addition, there is a place where you can write down anything God is saying to you.

KEY EVENTS & DATES

Oct. 11	**Vision Sunday • Week One** • Immeasurably More Recap Groups Start
Oct. 12	**Monday** • Family Devotional Begins
Oct. 18	**Sunday • Week Two**
Oct. 23	**Night of Miracles 6pm**
Oct. 25	**Sunday • Week Three**
Nov. 01	**Sunday • Week Four** • Leaders Night 6pm
Nov. 08	**Commitment Sunday** **• Week Five**
Nov. 15	**Miracle Offering Sunday** **• Week Six**

A LETTER FROM PASTOR ADAM

Let’s make room.

Active Church family,

Thank you for stepping into Immeasurably More with us. Since the beginning of Active Church, we have seen God change lives, restore families and help people find a place to belong. We believe He is still writing that story.

This journey is about growing closer to Jesus and making room for more people to know Him. My prayer is that these six weeks become a meaningful moment in your own walk with God.

I am inviting you to do three things: join us each Sunday, walk with others in a Life Group and spend time with God through the daily readings in this guide. The devotional begins Monday, October 12, and continues Monday through Friday for six weeks.

On November 8, we will bring our commitments. On November 15, we will bring our Miracle Offering. Through it all, let’s pray, listen and respond to God with willing hearts.

Thank you for your faith, your prayers and your generosity. Let’s keep making room for people across SLO County and beyond.

The best is yet to come.
Adam Magaña
Lead Pastor, Active Church



Now to him who
is able to do
immeasurably more
than all we ask
or imagine, according
to His power that is at
work within us, to Him be
glory in the church and
in Christ Jesus throughout
all generations, for ever
and ever! Amen.

Ephesians 3:20-21

OUR VISION FOR SLO COUNTY



When Active Church was planted in 2017, we didn't come with a large team, unlimited resources, or a building. We came with a burden to create a place where people could know God, find freedom, discover purpose, and make a difference.

Since that very first Sunday, God has done immeasurably more than we ever imagined. Lives have been changed, families restored, children and students have discovered their purpose, and more people have found a church to call home.

Every story of life change exists because someone before us made room. They prayed. They served. They gave. They sacrificed so someone else could experience the hope of Jesus. Now it's our turn.

Today, Active Church is growing beyond the space we have. Our current facility has served us faithfully, but we believe God is preparing us for what's next.

As we look to the future, we are actively pursuing a larger facility for Active Church in San Luis Obispo. The opportunity before us isn't simply to purchase a building it's to make room for thousands more people to encounter Jesus and experience life change for generations to come.



OPPORTUNITY ONE

15,000 SF

ON 3.5 ACRES

APPROXIMATE INVESTMENT

$6.5

MILLION



OPPORTUNITY TWO

3.59 ACRES

COMMERCIAL LAND OFFERED AT

$3.9

MILLION

Active Church is prayerfully exploring two potential opportunities in San Luis Obispo as we prepare for continued growth and make room for more people to encounter Jesus.

No purchase has been finalized. We are carefully evaluating each opportunity, including feasibility, property needs, development costs and the overall investment required, as we discern the best next step for our church.

YOUR OPPORTUNITY



The Immeasurably More campaign is a three-year journey designed to meet the need for various expansion projects at multiple locations. We recognize this God-sized task is far beyond the ability of any one person, but everyone can do something.

Reaching our need of $5 million will take all of us. The Pledge Card you will receive during this series is a challenge to be prayerfully and financially involved in the vision of the Immeasurably More campaign over the next 36 months.

You will have the opportunity to make a pledge over and above your regular tithes. We will all return our pledges together during services on Commitment Sunday (November 8). The following week is Miracle Offering Sunday (November 15), where we will all bring our best cash gift towards our total pledge. This is a part of your overall commitment to the project. All gifts received that weekend will go directly to the cash on hand we need to kick-start these projects.

As you pray about how much God might want you to give, we encourage you to embrace this as a spiritual journey with God. The amounts will differ for each person, but everyone can do something by completing a pledge card and returning it during Commitment Sunday.

To help visualize your pledge's impact over time, reference the chart on the next page. Each of us can make a difference individually, but together we can create an even greater legacy – one that will impact generations to come.

WHY NOW?

ROOM TO PARK

Our parking lot reaches capacity every Sunday, creating a major barrier for first-time guests.

ROOM FOR FAMILIES

Our Kids and Youth Ministries continue to grow every week. We need more space for the next generation.

ROOM TO GROW

Our worship experiences are at capacity, limiting our ability to reach new people.

ROOM FOR THE FUTURE

A permanent home will position Active Church to impact thousands more people for generations to come.

OUR GOAL

$5 MILLION

WEEKLY	MONTHLY	3 YEAR TOTAL
$6	$28	$1,000
$16	$69	$2,500
$32	$139	$5,000
$64	$278	$10,000
$160	$694	$25,000
$321	$1,389	$50,000
$481	$2,083	$75,000
$641	$2,778	$100,000
$1,603	$6,944	$250,000
$3,205	$13,889	$500,000
$4,808	$20,833	$750,000
$6,410	$27,778	$1,000,000

This chart shows the great impact your gift can have when it is spread over time.

OUR CAMPAIGN JOURNEY

OCTOBER 11

Vision Series Begins
Life Groups Launch

OCTOBER 23

Night of Miracles
Prayer • Worship • Faith

NOVEMBER 15

Miracle Offering Sunday
Together we make room for more.

CREATIVE WAYS TO GIVE

Gifts In-kind/Appreciable Assets
Stocks, bonds, real estate, and other assets provide ample giving opportunities coupled with considerable tax savings. Our Finance Team will help you donate appreciable assets, give stocks in certificate form, and make broker-to-broker transfers to optimize charitable contribution benefits and capital gains savings.

Automatic Contributions
By signing up for online giving, either through your bank or our website, you can ensure your gift is automatically transferred on the day(s) of your choosing. This is an easy way to make your giving hassle-free and consistent.

Cash Flow Gifts
You can give significantly by contributing smaller amounts at higher frequencies. Weekly, bi-monthly, or monthly giving allows substantial gifts to be reached in smaller steps.

Diverted-Funds Gifts
Some easy lifestyle adjustments can help allow you to increase your giving to God's work. Diverting funds from your budget for entertainment, dining out, subscriptions, etc., can help you free up funds to have a significant impact on your giving.

Delayed Non-Essential Purchases
Forgoing some big purchases, such as automobiles, vacations, clothing, trips, etc., for a few years can create substantial giving opportunities.

Raises, Bonuses, Extra Work Income
Dedicating forthcoming raises or bonuses is a creative method for increased giving. Taking a second or part-time job, utilizing your marketable hobbies or skills, or working overtime creates extra revenue you can funnel into God's kingdom.

Income-Producing Assets
Any interest income, payments from rental properties, or monies from other income-producing assets can provide a source for increased giving.

Special Sales
Consider selling unused items, hosting a garage sale, or holding an online auction and giving the proceeds toward Immeasurably More. The sale of major assets, such as a house, car, land, or a business can also provide previously untapped revenue for giving.

Tax Refunds & Savings
Added giving to Active Church can create tax savings. By giving these tax refunds and savings back to God's work, you can increase your total giving.

Freedom From Debt
As you look ahead to the next couple of years, you may discover some current loans or debt obligations that will be fulfilled. By investing the money you would have been paying on a car or credit card balance once it's paid off, you can free up additional funds to give.

Charitable Giving Resources
Reviewing your charitable gifts in light of the kingdom of God affords a resource for significant giving. For example, you might usually give to other causes and nonprofits. Consider diverting those gifts to Immeasurably More during your pledge and resume these contributions afterward.

Corporate Gifts
You might be able to make a significant donation by using the products or services of your business as a resource for giving.
*For additional assistance regarding your contributions or to make bequests and charitable planned gifts, please visit our website at myactivechurch.org

STORIES OF LIVES CHANGED

Throughout this guide, you will find stories of changed lives from people here at Active Church.

These stories remind us of the incredible things God is continually doing through our church to move people towards Christ, Community and their Calling.

We hope these stories inspire and encourage you as we go on this journey together!

SHARE YOUR STORY

We'd love to hear how God has used Active Church to impact your life.

Whether it's a testimony, an answered prayer, a breakthrough, or a moment where you've seen God move, we want to celebrate what God is doing in your life.

Aaron Found a Place to Belong



I had never stepped inside a church when my family was going through a difficult season after a death in the family. Life was heavy, and we were searching for something different. Then an invitation came in the mail for Active Church's Christmas Eve service at the Fremont Theater. We decided to come, even though we didn't know what to expect.

That day became a defining moment for me. I raised my hand to follow Jesus, and everything began to change. What started with simply showing up became a new direction for our family. I began serving, first helping with Safety and Hospitality, and eventually found myself serving wherever there was a need.



Over the years, Active became more than a place we attended. My wife was baptized and began serving alongside me. I found myself helping with parking, welcoming people, serving at baptisms, and doing whatever I could to help someone else feel at home. God was showing me that following Jesus wasn't just about what He was doing in me—it was also about what He wanted to do through me.

Today, our whole family is part of that story. Our son, Austin, has grown up at Active and now serves too. He's welcomed people at Youth, held signs at the Fremont, and even plays the cajon with students. What started with one family simply walking through the doors has become a family learning to serve, lead, and make room for others.



Over time, I realized that one of the greatest things God had given me was the opportunity to help someone else take their next step. I know what it feels like to walk through the doors for the first time, so now I get to be one of the people helping others feel welcome. But I never expected that my story would become part of someone else's.

Charlie Found More Than Success

Charlie Hogan came to Cal Poly looking for more. He had accomplished something he had dreamed about as a Division I athlete, but success couldn't give him the identity or fulfillment he was looking for. A teammate invited him to Active, and he began moving from knowing about God to actually knowing Jesus.



Charlie eventually decided to follow Jesus and was baptized. Years after I first walked into Active Church, I found myself standing in a baptismal tank helping someone else take that same step. Charlie found community, began being discipled, and is now helping create space for other Cal Poly athletes to explore faith. Someone made room for me. I got to make room for Charlie. And now Charlie is making room for others.

WEEK ONE

Expand What You Think Is Possible

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Vision Sunday

WEEK 1 - 10/11/2026

Ephesians 3:20
"Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us."

Week 1: Expand What You Think Is Possible

Your life is heading in the direction of your strongest thoughts.

Proverbs 23:7
"For as he thinks in his heart, so is he."

As the mind goes, the man follows.

Isaiah 55:8-9
"'For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways,' declares the Lord. 'As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.'"

Expand what you think is possible:

1. There is always more of God to know.

Revelation 1:6-8
"And has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen. 'Look, he is coming with the clouds,' and 'every eye will see him, even those who pierced him'; and all the peoples of the earth 'will mourn because of him.' So shall it be! Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega,' says the Lord God, 'who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.'"

Omnipotent - All Powerful

Omniscient - All Knowing

Omnipresent - All Present

Deuteronomy 4:29
"But if from there you seek the Lord your God, you will find him if you seek him with all your heart and with all your soul."

Isaiah 55:6
"Seek the Lord while he may be found; call on him while he is near."

Jeremiah 29:13
"You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart."

2. There is always more for your life.

1 Corinthians 2:9
"However, as it is written: 'What no eye has seen, what no ear has heard, and what no human mind has conceived' – the things God has prepared for those who love him"

Why do we put limitation on what God can do through our lives:

- Unknown Potential
- Previous Disappointments
- Fear of Failure or Rejection
- Comfort

There is more for you - not just because you were born, but because you've been born again.

John 3:3
"Jesus replied, 'Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again.'"

Galatians 3:26
"So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith."

Expand what you think is possible:

3. There is always more for our church.

Ephesians 3:10-11
"His intent was that now, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms, according to his eternal purpose that he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord."

The church is not built off of the giftings of a few,
but by the sacrifice of many.

Three Questions of Faith:

1. How can I deepen my pursuit of knowing God?
2. What bold step of faith is God inviting me to take in my life?
3. How can I contribute to God's vision for our church to reach SLO County?

LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

WEEK 1 • EXPAND WHAT YOU THINK IS POSSIBLE

In Week 1 of the Immeasurably More series, we are challenged to expand our vision of what God can do in our lives, our church, and our community, based on Ephesians 3:20. The sermon emphasizes that our thoughts shape our lives, as Proverbs 23:7 states, "For as he thinks in his heart, so is he." God's thoughts and ways are higher than ours (Isaiah 55:8-9), and He invites us to think bigger about His limitless power and purpose. We are encouraged to deepen our knowledge of God, recognizing there is always more of Him to know, to believe there is more for our lives as His children, and to dream bigger for our church's role in reaching SLO County. By aligning our minds with God's perspective, we can live a life of faith, trusting in Him to do immeasurably more.

This week's focus is on overcoming limited thinking caused by familiarity, fear, or past disappointments. We are called to seek God wholeheartedly, step out in faith for the plans He has for us, and actively participate in the church's mission. Through personal reflection, group discussion, and prayer, we can begin to embrace a mindset that expects God to do greater things than we can ask or imagine.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Expanding Our Vision: Would you consider yourself someone who dreams about what God can do in and through your life? In what ways did this message stir your faith to believe God for "Immeasurably More"?

2. Your Thoughts Matter: "Your life is headed in the direction of your strongest thoughts." Can you share a time when your mindset significantly influenced the direction of your life?

3. Knowing God More: The sermon highlights that there is always more of God to know. Why is it important to seek God and continue to get to know Him? Which of God's characteristics from the message stood out to you most, and why?

4. Overcoming Limited Thinking: Proverbs 23:7 says, "For as he thinks in his heart, so is he." In what ways have negative or limiting thoughts (e.g., fear, doubt, or past disappointments) held you back from pursuing God's plans for your life? How does our new identity in Christ reshape the way we see our potential and purpose?

5. The Church's Mission: What difference does it make to know that the Church is God's "Plan A" for the world? What is one way you feel called to contribute to the church's vision for reaching SLO County (e.g., praying, serving, or giving)?

DAILY DEVOTIONALS

WEEK 1 • EXPAND WHAT YOU THINK IS POSSIBLE

Day 1: Trusting God's Unlimited Power

Ephesians 3:20-21
Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

God's limitless power invites us to trust that He can do far beyond our imagination. We often box God into our human limitations, doubting His ability to work in challenging areas like relationships or finances. This principle pushes us to expand our expectations. For example, if fear stops you from pursuing a career change, trusting God can open unexpected doors.

Philippians 4:13 declares, "I can do all this through him who gives me strength." Practically, pray boldly for a specific need–perhaps a family conflict–and expect God to act in ways you can't predict. By focusing on His infinite power, you're aligning your faith with His ability to transform any situation, fostering hope and courage.

Prayer: Father, Your power is boundless. Forgive my doubts and expand my faith to trust You for breakthroughs. Show me Your strength in my challenges today. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  Where am I limiting God's power in my life?
- How can I apply it? Pray boldly for a specific need, trusting God's unlimited power.
  - Talk to God about it. Ask God to reveal His strength in a challenge I'm facing.

Day 2: Seeking a Deeper Knowledge of God

Jeremiah 29:13
You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.

God's infinite nature means there's always more to discover about Him, urging us to pursue a deeper relationship. Surface-level faith limits our understanding, but seeking God wholeheartedly transforms us.

For example, if you feel spiritually dry, dedicate 15 minutes daily to read a Psalm and journal what it reveals about God's love or faithfulness. Hosea 6:6 states, "For I desire mercy, not sacrifice, and acknowledgment of God rather than burnt offerings." Practically, choose one attribute—God's patience—and reflect on how He's shown it in your life. This deepens your trust and shapes your actions, like showing patience to a difficult coworker, mirroring His character.

Prayer: Lord, I long to know You more. Ignite my heart to seek You daily. Reveal Your character and transform me to live like You. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  What aspect of God's character do I want to explore?
- How can I apply it?
  Read a Psalm and journal one trait of God to reflect on today.
- Talk to God about it.
  Pray for a deeper hunger to know God's heart.

Day 3: Embracing Your Divine Potential

Galatians 3:26
So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith.

As God's child, you're created in His image with divine potential, set free from past mistakes or fears. This principle challenges you to reject limitations like self-doubt. For instance, if you've avoided serving on the Serve Team because you feel unqualified, trust that God equips you. Romans 8:17 calls us "co-heirs with Christ," affirming your purpose.

Practically identify a goal and take one step towards it. For example, if your goal is to get connected to the church, sign up today for a Life Group. Your potential shines when you act in faith, knowing God's Spirit empowers you. Embrace your identity as His child to pursue dreams that align with His calling.

Prayer: Father, thank You for my divine potential as Your child. Free me from doubts and guide me to pursue Your purpose boldly. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  What goal have I dismissed due to fear?
- How can I apply it?
  What is one step I can take towards a God-given goal?
- Talk to God about it.
  Ask God for courage to embrace my potential in a specific area.

Day 4: Partnering with God's Plan for the Church

Ephesians 3:10-11
His intent was that now, through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly realms, according to his eternal purpose that he accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord.

God's plan to transform the world flows through His church, and you're called to participate. This principle urges active involvement in your church's mission through serving, praying, or giving. For example, if you've never given, take the next step to begin tithing, and learn to put God first in your finances.

1 Peter 4:10 instructs, "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others." Practically, commit daily to praying for your church and sign up to serve on the Serve Team. Your contribution, however small, has eternal impact, advancing God's kingdom.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for calling me to the mission you have given Radiant Church. Show me how to serve and pray for our community's transformation. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  How can I contribute to Active's mission?
- How can I apply it?
  Pray daily for my church or sign up to serve on the Serve Team.
- Talk to God about it.
  Ask God to reveal my role in advancing His church's vision.

Day 5: Renewing Your Mind for Bigger Thinking

Romans 12:2
Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing, and perfect will.

Your thoughts shape your reality, and renewing your mind with God's truth expands what you believe is possible. This principle challenges you to replace fear and doubt with faith. For example, if you worry about job security, counter it by memorizing Philippians 4:19: "And my God will meet all your needs."

Practically, start each day writing three things you're thankful for to shift your focus to God's provision. Isaiah 55:8-9 reminds us God's thoughts are higher. Renewing your mind through Scripture helps you dream bigger, trusting His plans for your future.

Prayer: God, renew my mind with Your truth. Replace doubt with faith and help me think bigger for Your glory. Guide my thoughts today. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  What negative thoughts need God's truth?
- How can I apply it?
  Write three things I'm thankful for to reframe my perspective today.
- Talk to God about it.
  Pray for a renewed mind in a specific area of worry.

WEEK TWO

The Generous Life

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Week 2: The Generous Life

Ephesians 3:20
"Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us."

Psalm 112:5-6
"Good will come to him who is generous and lends freely, who conducts his affairs with justice. Surely he will never be shaken; a righteous man will be remembered forever."

What will you do that will outlive you?

Mark 14:9
"Truly I tell you, wherever the gospel is preached throughout the world, what she has done will also be told, in memory of her."

Am I generous?

John 12:1-8
"Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus lived, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. Here a dinner was given in Jesus' honor. Martha served, while Lazarus was among those reclining at the table with him. Then Mary took about a pint of pure nard, an expensive perfume; she poured it on Jesus' feet and wiped his feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot, who was later to betray him, objected, 'Why wasn't this perfume sold and the money given to the poor? It was worth a year's wages.' He did not say this because he cared about the poor but because he was a thief; as keeper of the money bag, he used to help himself to what was put into it. 'Leave her alone,' Jesus replied. 'It was intended that she should save this perfume for the day of my burial. You will always have the poor among you, but you will not always have me.'"

The enemy of generosity is selfishness.

Levels of Giving:
Intentional - Tithes
Sacrificial - Offerings
Extravagant - Extravagant Giving

Hebrews 11:6
"And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him."

LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

WEEK 2 • THE GENEROUS LIFE

In Week 2 of the Immeasurably More series, we explore "The Generous Life," rooted in Ephesians 3:20, which reminds us of God's ability to do far beyond what we can imagine through His power in us. The sermon draws from Psalm 112:5-6, promising blessings to those who live generously, and the story of Mary's extravagant act in John 12:1-8, where she anoints Jesus with costly perfume. We are challenged to consider what we will do that outlives us, as Mary's act is remembered wherever the gospel is preached (Mark 14:9). Generosity is presented as intentional (tithing), sacrificial (offerings), and extravagant (giving beyond comfort), contrasting with the selfishness that hinders us. Through faith, as Hebrews 11:6 teaches, we trust that God rewards those who seek Him, enabling us to give in ways that impact eternity and reflect His immeasurably more.

This week's focus is on examining our hearts for generosity and overcoming selfishness by aligning with God's call to give intentionally, sacrificially, and extravagantly. By discussing Mary's example and applying the levels of giving to our lives, we can explore how our generosity can leave a lasting legacy for God's kingdom and contribute to His work through our church.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Living for Eternity: The sermon asks, "What will you do that will outlive you?" Reflecting on Mark 14:9, what do you want to be remembered for? What lasting impact would you like to have for God's kingdom? How does this shape your priorities today?

2. Examining Generosity: Psalm 112:5-6 describes the blessings of a generous life. In what areas of your life (e.g., time, money, talents) do you feel you are already generous? Where do you sense God challenging you to grow in generosity?

3. Overcoming Selfishness: The sermon identifies selfishness as the enemy of generosity. What are some practical ways you can combat selfish tendencies in your daily life to make room for generosity?

4. Levels of Giving: The sermon outlines three levels of giving: intentional (tithing), sacrificial (offerings), and extravagant (beyond comfort). Was there anything that stood out to you from this? Which level best describes your current giving, and what would it look like to take a step toward the next level in faith?

5. Faith and Reward: Hebrews 11:6 emphasizes that faith pleases God and that He rewards those who seek Him. How does trusting in God's rewards encourage you to give more generously? Share an experience where you saw God honor your faith through giving, financially or otherwise.

DAILY DEVOTIONALS

WEEK 2 • THE GENEROUS LIFE

Day 1: Living With Intentional Generosity

Psalm 112:5-6
Good will come to those who are generous and lend freely, who conduct their affairs with justice. Surely the righteous will never be shaken; they will be remembered forever.

Generosity begins with intentionality, choosing to give thoughtfully to honor God and bless others. This principle encourages us to plan our giving, whether time, resources, or talents, as a deliberate act of faith. By practicing the tithe, we are able to plan our generosity by giving God the first 10% of our income.

Paul challenged the church in 1 Corinthians 16:2 (NIV) "On the first day of every week, each one of you should set aside a sum of money in keeping with your income." Intentional generosity aligns our priorities with God's heart, creating a legacy of righteousness. Reflect on where you can reprioritize your finances by putting God first.

Prayer: Father, teach me to give with intention and joy. Show me opportunities to share Your blessings with others. Let my generosity reflect Your love and build Your kingdom. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  Am I faithful in giving God the first 10% (tithe)?
- How can I apply it?
  Evaluate my finances to see where I can be more generous.
- Talk to God about it.
  Ask God to guide me to a need I can meet with intentional giving.

Day 2: Sacrificial Giving Reflects Faith

Hebrews 11:6
And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

Sacrificial giving requires faith, trusting God to provide when we give beyond comfort. This principle challenges us to offer something that costs us, like skipping a luxury purchase to build God's kingdom. Luke 6:38 (NIV) says, "Give, and it will be given to you." For instance, if you're tempted to hold back due to tight finances, start small.

Find a need that you can give towards and trust God's provision. Sacrificial giving stretches our faith, showing we rely on God, not our resources. Consider what you can give up—time, money, or convenience—to bless others and grow closer to God.

Prayer: Lord, grow my faith to give sacrificially. Help me trust Your provision when giving feels costly. Use my offerings to impact others and deepen my reliance on You. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  What am I hesitant to give because it feels costly?
- How can I apply it?
  Give up one comfort this week to support God's work in His church or around the globe.
- Talk to God about it.
  Ask God to guide me to a need I can meet with intentional giving.

Day 3: Extravagant Generosity Leaves a Legacy

Mark 14:9
Truly I tell you, wherever the gospel is preached throughout the world, what she has done will also be told, in memory of her.

Extravagant generosity goes beyond obligation, giving in a way that impacts eternity. This principle, inspired by Mary's costly gift of perfume, urges us to give boldly for God's kingdom. All throughout history, God's church has been advanced because of the sacrifice of God's people. Acts 20:35 (NIV) reminds us, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Mary's act is remembered forever because it honored Jesus. Your extravagant gift–time or resources–can transform lives. Reflect on how you can give generously to leave a lasting impact for God's glory.

Prayer: Jesus, inspire me to give extravagantly for Your kingdom. Show me where my generosity can make an eternal difference. Let my gifts honor You and bless others. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  How can my giving create a lasting legacy?
- How can I apply it?
  Where can I implement sacrificial giving in my life?
- Talk to God about it.
  Ask God to show me how I am supposed to sacrificially give towards the Miracle Offering on November 15th.

Day 4: Overcoming Selfishness

Philippians 2:3-4
Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.

Selfishness hinders generosity, keeping us focused on our own needs. This principle calls us to prioritize others, countering self-centered tendencies. For instance, instead of scrolling social media, spend 30 minutes helping a friend with a task. Galatians 5:13 (NIV) says, "Serve one another humbly in love."

Overcoming selfishness means choosing to share resources, like cooking a meal for a sick neighbor, even when it's inconvenient. Reflect on where selfishness creeps into your decisions and how you can put others first to reflect God's generous heart.

Prayer: Lord, forgive my selfish tendencies. Teach me to value others above myself and give generously. Show me practical ways to serve and bless those around me. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  Where am I letting selfishness block my generosity?
- How can I apply it?
  Perform one selfless act this week, like helping a neighbor or coworker.
- Talk to God about it.
  Pray for a heart that prioritizes others.

Day 5: Giving for Eternal Impact

Matthew 6:19-21
Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Generosity focused on eternal impact builds God's kingdom, not temporary wealth. This principle encourages giving that supports Radiant's mission to move people towards Christ, community and their calling. We have a unique opportunity to invest in our Vision Offering in just a few weeks that will make an eternal impact.

1 Timothy 6:18-19 (NIV) urges us to "be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share." Your giving leads to transformed lives. Reflect on how your resources can invest in eternal outcomes, aligning your heart with God's purposes.

Prayer: Father, align my heart with Your eternal priorities. Help me give generously to build Your kingdom. Show me where my gifts can have lasting impact for Your glory. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying tome?
  How can my financial giving focus on eternal impact?
- How can I apply it?
  Redirect one expense this week to support Active's vision.
- Talk to God about it.
  Pray for wisdom to invest my resources in God's eternal work .

WEEK THREE

Can God Trust You?

MMEASURABLY MORE

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Ephesians 3:20
"Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us."

Week 3: Can God Trust You?

God is trustworthy.

Psalm 111:7
"The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy."

Psalm 145:13
"Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures through all generations. The Lord is trustworthy in all he promises and faithful in all he does."

Hebrews 10:23
"Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful."

Biblical stewardship is faithfully managing the resources God has entrusted to us.

Matthew 25:14
"Again, it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted his wealth to them…"

1. God owns everything.

Psalm 24:1
"The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it."

Matthew 25:15-16
"To one he gave five bags of gold, to another two bags, and to another one bag, each according to his ability. Then he went on his journey. The man who had received five bags of gold went at once and put his money to work and gained five bags more."

2. God expects us to be good stewards.

A steward manages someone else's stuff with the owner's goal in mind.

Our purchases indicate our priorities.

Matthew 6:21
"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

Financial Stewardship:

- Start with God (Tithe)
- Remove other masters (Eliminate Debt)
- Create margin (Budget)
- Change the world (Give)

Matthew 25:20-28
"The man who had received five bags of gold brought the other five. 'Master,' he said, 'you entrusted me with five bags of gold. See, I have gained five more.' His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!' The man with two bags of gold also came. 'Master,' he said, 'you entrusted me with two bags of gold; see, I have gained two more.' His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!' Then the man who had received one bag of gold came. 'Master,' he said, 'I knew that you are a hard man, harvesting where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered seed. So I was afraid and went out and hid your gold in the ground. See, here is what belongs to you.' His master replied, 'You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered seed? Well then, you should have put my money on deposit with the bankers, so that when I returned I would have received it back with interest. So take the bag of gold from him and give it to the one who has ten bags.'"

3. God rewards those He trusts.

God doesn't reward good intentions; He rewards fruitful lives that produce lasting fruit.

4. It's not too late to become trustworthy.

Micah 7:18-19
"Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives the transgression of the remnant of his inheritance? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy. You will again have compassion on us; you will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea."

You might not have started right, but by God's grace you can finish right.

LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

WEEK 3 • CAN GOD TRUST YOU?

In Week 3 of the Immeasurably More series, titled "Can God Trust You?", we are challenged to examine our stewardship of the resources, time, talents, and opportunities God has entrusted to us, as highlighted in the Parable of the Talents (Matthew 25:14-28). Building on Ephesians 3:20, the sermon emphasizes that God's ability to do immeasurably more in our lives depends on our faithfulness in managing what He has given us. God owns everything (Psalm 24:1), expects us to be good stewards, and rewards those who manage His resources well with His purposes in mind. The message underscores that stewardship is not just about money but encompasses our entire lives—our relationships, time, and priorities. Despite past failures, God's mercy, as seen in Micah 7:18-19, offers a fresh start to become trustworthy stewards, aligning our lives with His trustworthy nature (Psalm 111:7, Psalm 145:13).

This week's focus is on evaluating how we handle what God has given us and identifying areas where we can grow in faithful stewardship. By discussing the principles of ownership, stewardship, and God's rewards, we are encouraged to shift from an ownership mindset to a manager's perspective, asking, "God, what would You have me do?" The sermon also reminds us that it's never too late to repent and realign our priorities to bear lasting fruit for His kingdom.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. God's Ownership: The sermon emphasizes that God owns everything (Psalm 24:1). How does recognizing that your time, talents, and resources belong to God change the way you make decisions? Share an example of a decision you could approach differently with this mindset.

2. God's Trustworthiness: God is worthy of our full trust (Psalm 111:7, Psalm 145:13, Hebrews 10:23). How has experiencing God's faithfulness in your life encouraged you to trust Him more? How can this trust motivate you to be a better steward?

3. Evaluating Stewardship: The Parable of the Talents (Matthew 25:14-28) shows that God expects us to multiply what He has given us. In what area of your life (e.g., finances, time, relationships, or gifts) do you feel you are stewarding well? Where do you sense God challenging you to improve your stewardship?

4. Overcoming Fear or Excuses: The servant with one talent hid it out of fear (Matthew 25:24-25). What fears or excuses (e.g., fear of failure, feeling you have too little) might be holding you back from using what God has given you? How can you take a step of faith to overcome this?

5. Priorities and Purchases: Matthew 6:21 states, "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." What do your recent spending habits, time allocation, or priorities reveal about what you value? How do you feel God calling you to steward your resources in alignment with Biblical values?

DAILY DEVOTIONALS

WEEK 3 • CAN GOD TRUST YOU?

Day 1: Trusting God's Faithfulness

Psalm 145:13
Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures through all generations. The Lord is trustworthy in all he promises and faithful in all he does.

God's unwavering faithfulness empowers us to manage what He entrusts to us. Unlike human promises that falter, God's reliability is constant, as His mercies renew daily. This truth builds confidence to steward our resources boldly.

For example, if you're hesitant to share your talents due to past rejection, recall a time God provided unexpectedly, like a job or a friend's support. Trusting His faithfulness frees you to give generously. Reflect on an area—finances, time, or relationships—where you need to lean on God's dependability to overcome doubt and act with courage.

Prayer: Faithful God, Your promises never fail. Thank You for Your steadfast love. Help me trust Your reliability and manage Your gifts with boldness. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  Where am I doubting God's faithfulness?
- How can I apply it?
  Write down a past instance of God's provision and thank Him for it today.
- Talk to God about it.
  Ask God to deepen my trust in His faithfulness in a specific situation.

Day 2: Recognizing God's Ownership

Psalm 24:1
The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.

God owns everything—our time, money, and abilities. Recognizing this shifts our perspective from "What do I want?" to "What does God want?" This mindset honors His sovereignty.

When we recognize God owns it all, it helps us prioritize our calendar and even our budget with His priorities in mind. This act acknowledges God's ownership. Haggai 2:8 reinforces that even our wealth belongs to Him. Aligning your priorities with His purposes brings peace and clarity in decision-making.

Prayer: Sovereign Lord, You own all I have. Forgive me for acting as the owner. Guide me to manage Your resources according to Your will. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  Where am I treating God's resources as my own?
- How can I apply it?
  Reallocate my budget and calendar to best align with God's priorities.
- Talk to God about it.
  Pray for humility to surrender control of my time or finances to God.

Day 3: Practicing Faithful Stewardship

Luke 16:10
Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much.

God calls us to steward His gifts faithfully, multiplying them for His glory. Luke 16:10 teaches that faithfulness in small things leads to greater responsibility. How you handle something is how you will handle everything. God recognizes how we take care of what He has given us and that determines if we are able to handle more.

Colossians 3:23 encourages working heartily for the Lord. Evaluate how you're using your God-given resources and see how you can maximize what God has entrusted you with. Taking small, intentional steps to invest your abilities honors God and prepares you for more.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for entrusting me with Your gifts. Help me steward them faithfully to multiply Your kingdom. Show me where to invest my abilities. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  How am I managing the talents God gave me?
- How can I apply it?
  What skill can I use today to bless people around me?
- Talk to God about it.
  Ask God to reveal one way to steward my gifts more effectively.

Day 4: God Rewards Trust

Matthew 25:20-21
The man who had received five bags of gold brought the other five. 'Master,' he said, 'you entrusted me with five bags of gold. See, I have gained five more.' His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!'

God rewards those who faithfully steward His resources. Matthew 25:20-21 shows the joy of hearing "Well done". If you're serving on the Serve Team but feel unnoticed, keep going– God sees your effort and it will be rewarded.

Hebrews 6:10 assures God won't forget your work. We all have seasons where it seems frustrating and pointless, but God sees your effort and He will bring the results in His timing. Your faithfulness positions you for greater opportunities and blessings.

Prayer: Father, thank You for rewarding faithfulness. Strengthen me to steward Your gifts well. Help me trust Your timing and promises for my efforts. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  Where am I tempted to give up on stewarding well?
- How can I apply it?
  Encourage someone in their faithful service this week to affirm their impact.
- Talk to God about it.
  Pray for perseverance in a specific area of stewardship.

Day 5: Embracing a Fresh Start

2 Corinthians 5:17
Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here!

God's mercy offers a fresh start to become trustworthy stewards. 2 Corinthians 5:17 declares us new in Christ. This gives us hope. We all have messed up, and His mercy is new every morning. If you've mismanaged time or money, repent and start again.

For example, create a budget to prioritize God, or apologize for neglecting a relationship. Isaiah 43:19 promises God is doing a new thing. Embrace His grace to realign your life with His purposes, beginning today.

Prayer: Merciful God, thank You for Your forgiveness and fresh starts. Cleanse my past mistakes and guide me to steward Your gifts faithfully. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  Where do I need God's mercy to start over?
- How can I apply it?
  Take one step to correct a past stewardship mistake, like creating a budget.
- Talk to God about it.
  Confess a specific area of unfaithfulness and ask for a new beginning.

WEEK FOUR

Hearing God's Voice

MMEASURABLY MORE

WEEK 4 - 11/01/2026

Ephesians 3:20
"Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us."

Week 4: Hearing God's Voice

Jeremiah 33:3
"Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know."

God is speaking far more than we are listening.

John 10:27-28
"My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand."

To better hear the voice of God you must intentionally turn down the noise of the world.

How do we hear God's voice?

1. We read His voice (Bible)

2 Timothy 3:16-17
"All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work."

Someone who never hears from God is someone who isn't reading their Bible.

2. We sense His voice (Spirit)

Romans 8:14
"For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God."

1 Kings 19:12
"...And after the fire came a gentle whisper."

God's spirit will never contradict God's Word. A

Spirit-led life is a faith-filled life.

3. We confirm His voice (Community)

Ephesians 4:11-16
"So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of people in their deceitful scheming. Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work."

Never make life-altering decisions without the wisdom and counsel of Christian community.

4. We see His voice (Circumstances)

Proverbs 16:9
"In their hearts humans plan their course, but the Lord establishes their steps."

5. We feel His voice (Peace)

1 Corinthians 14:33
"For God is not a God of disorder but of peace..."

Isaiah 55:12
"You will go out in joy and be led forth in peace.."

Colossians 3:15
"Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful."

Following God's voice takes faith, but it is accompanied by peace.

James 1:22
"Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says."

LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

WEEK 4 • HEARING GOD'S VOICE

In Week 4 of the Immeasurably More series, titled "Hearing God's Voice," we are challenged to tune into God's guidance as the foundation for living out His immeasurably more, as rooted in Ephesians 3:20. Drawing from John 10:27-28, where Jesus says, "My sheep listen to my voice," the sermon emphasizes that God is always speaking—through His Word, His Spirit, the church community, circumstances, and His peace—and desires to guide our decisions, from everyday choices to major life steps like the upcoming vision offering. Jeremiah 33:3 assures us that when we call to God, He answers with "great and unsearchable things." The message outlines five ways to hear God's voice: reading His Word (2 Timothy 3:16-17), sensing His Spirit (Romans 8:14), confirming through community (Ephesians 4:11-16), observing circumstances (Proverbs 16:9), and following His peace (Colossians 3:15). Hearing God's voice requires turning down the world's noise and obeying what He says (James 1:22), enabling us to align with His plans for our lives and our church's mission.

This week's focus is on developing the skill of discerning God's voice and applying it to our lives, including our role in Active's vision to reach SLO County. By discussing practical ways to listen and obey, we can grow in confidence that God is guiding us and experience His favor and direction. The sermon underscores that hearing God is not just about receiving guidance but about acting on it, especially as we prepare for the Miracle Offering on November 15th.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. God's Word: The sermon highlights that the Bible is God's voice (2 Timothy 3:16-17). How regularly do you read Scripture to hear from God? What is one specific way you can incorporate reading God's Word more intentionally this week to seek His direction?

2. Sensing the Spirit: Romans 8:14 says we are led by God's Spirit. Describe a time when you felt a "gentle nudge" or prompting from the Holy Spirit. How can you create space to quiet the world's noise and better sense God speaking to you?

3. Community Confirmation: Ephesians 4:11-16 emphasizes the role of the church community in confirming God's voice. Who are the trusted voices in your life you can turn to for counsel? How has seeking their godly counsel benefitted you in making decisions?

4. Circumstances and Peace: If you have experienced a closed door or a sense of peace guiding your decision, how did that play out? Have there been any times where you ignored God speaking in this way? If so, what did you learn from that experience?

5. Obeying God's Voice: James 1:22 warns against hearing God's Word without acting on it. What is one area where you feel God is speaking to you (e.g., forgiveness, generosity, or a bold step)? What is one practical step you can take to obey, and how can your group support you?

DAILY DEVOTIONALS

WEEK 4 • HEARING GOD'S VOICE

Day 1: God's Desire To Speak

Jeremiah 33:3
Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.

John 10:27
My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me.

God is not silent; He longs to speak to us, guiding our decisions and lives. Jeremiah 33:3 promises answers when we call, and John 10:27 assures believers that they can hear Jesus' voice. Often, we miss His voice due to distraction or doubt.
We should be challenged when making a big decision about a relationship or your career to pause and pray rather than rushing ahead. Psalm 46:10 encourages us to "be still" and know God. By setting aside time daily to seek Him, we open our hearts to His guidance, trusting He desires to reveal His plans.

Prayer: Lord, You long to speak to me. Quiet my heart to hear Your voice. Reveal Your plans and guide my steps with Your wisdom. Thank You for never being silent. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  Where am I struggling to hear God's voice?
- How can I apply it?
  Spend 5 minutes in silence today, asking God to speak about a decision.
- Talk to God about it.
  Pray for openness to hear God's guidance in a specific situation.

Day 2: Hearing Through His Word

2 Timothy 3:16-17
All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

God's Word is His primary way of speaking, providing direction for every situation. 2 Timothy 3:16-17 shows us the Bible equips us for every good work. The Bible says in Psalm 119:105 that "Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path." If you're unsure about something in life, the solution is to go to God's word.

Practically, start your day with a Bible verse, like Proverbs 3:5-6, and journal how it applies. Regular scripture reading tunes your heart to God's voice, making His will clearer in daily choices.

Prayer: Father, Your Word is my guide. Help me read and obey it daily. Illuminate my path with Your truth and equip me for Your purposes. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  How often am I reading God's Word to hear Him?
- How can I apply it?
  Read one chapter of Proverbs daily and note one insight to apply.
- Talk to God about it.
  Ask God to speak through a specific Scripture for a current decision.

Day 3: Being Aware of His Spirit

Romans 8:14
For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God.

God's Spirit speaks through gentle nudges, guiding us as His children. Romans 8:14 affirms we're led by the Spirit, often as a quiet whisper (1 Kings 19:12). For instance, if you feel prompted to encourage a struggling friend, act on it—it may be God's Spirit.

John 16:13 promises the Holy Spirit guides us into truth. Create space by silencing distractions, like turning off your phone for 10 minutes, to pray and listen. Trust the peace or clarity that follows as God's voice.

Prayer: Holy Spirit, speak to me clearly. Help me quiet the world's noise to sense Your gentle nudge. Guide my actions with Your truth and love. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  When have I sensed the Spirit speaking recently?
- How can I apply it?
  Set aside 10 minutes to pray silently, listening for the Holy Spirit's guidance.
- Talk to God about it.
  Pray for sensitivity to the Spirit's voice in a specific area of my life.

Day 4: Confirming Through Community

Proverbs 15:22
Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisers
they succeed.

God speaks through the wisdom of His church community. Paul writes in Ephesians 4:11-12 that the people of God are built up through the local church. Even the wisest man that ever lived, Solomon, shared the importance of finding godly counsel in Proverbs 15:22.

If you're considering a major decision, seek input from trusted Christians. Their insights can confirm or clarify God's direction. For example, share a major decision you are facing with your small group and ask for prayer and wisdom. Hebrews 10:24-25 urges us to spur one another on. Engaging with community ensures we don't misinterpret God's voice alone.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for my church family. Guide me through their wisdom and help me seek godly counsel. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  Who in my community can I seek for godly advice?
- How can I apply it?
  Share a decision with a trusted Christian friend and ask for their input.
- Talk to God about it.
  Pray for wisdom to choose the right counsel for a specific decision.

Day 5: Following His Peace

Colossians 3:15
Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.

God's voice often comes with His peace, acting as an umpire for decisions. Colossians 3:15 calls us to let Christ's peace rule, and Isaiah 55:12 promises peace leads us. If you're torn about a job offer, pray and notice if peace follows one choice. Philippians 4:7 describes God's peace guarding our hearts.

This does not mean that every decision will be easy, but it does mean that we will have God's peace despite the overwhelming task or assignment. Trust His peace, even if the step feels daunting, knowing He'll guide you.

Prayer: God of peace, let Your calm rule my heart. Guide me with Your peace in every decision. Thank You for leading me with clarity and love. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  Where am I lacking peace in a decision?
- How can I apply it?
  Pray about a choice and note if peace confirms or redirects my path.
- Talk to God about it.
  Ask God for His peace to guide a specific decision I'm facing.

WEEK FIVE

I Am Part of God's Plan

MMEASURABLY MORE

Commitment Sunday

WEEK 5 - 11/08/2026

Ephesians 3:20
"Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us."

Week 5: I am part of God's plan

Matthew 14:14-15
"When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick. As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, 'This is a remote place, and it's already getting late. Send the crowds away, so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food.'"

1. God's plan addresses humanity's deepest needs.

If you have a problem, you're a candidate for a miracle.

Matthew 14:16
"Jesus replied, 'They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat.'"

2. God's plan is shared with God's people.

Ephesians 3:20-21
"Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen."

Matthew 14:17-19
"'We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish,'" they answered. 'Bring them here to me,' he said. And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people."

3. God's plan requires faith.

Faith gives because God asks for it, not because it makes sense.

Three Levels of Giving:
- What can I afford?
- What can I sacrifice?
- What can I trust God to do through me?

Matthew 14:20-21
"They all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over. The number of those who ate was about five thousand men, besides women and children."

4. God's plan turns our sacrifice into something supernatural.

LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

WEEK 5 • I AM PART OF GOD'S PLAN

In Week 5 of the Immeasurably More series, titled "I Am Part of God's Plan," we are reminded of our vital role in God's work, anchored in Ephesians 3:20, which highlights God's power to do far beyond what we can imagine through us. The sermon draws from the feeding of the 5,000 (Matthew 14:14-21), the only miracle recorded in all four Gospels, emphasizing that God addresses humanity's deepest needs, involves His people in His plans, requires faith, and transforms our sacrifices into supernatural outcomes. A young boy's small lunch, offered in faith, became a miracle that fed thousands, showing that God uses ordinary people to accomplish extraordinary things. We at Active Church continue to pursue God's desire for SLO County to be reached for Jesus. We are all invited to participate in that mission through the Miracle Offering on Sunday, November 15th. We are continuing to trust that God will multiply our sacrifices for His Kingdom.

This week's focus is on recognizing that each of us has a significant part to play in God's plan, both personally and as a church. By reflecting on the boy's faith and discussing our own contributions, we are encouraged to step out in our own faith, offer what we have, and trust God to do the miraculous. The sermon challenges us to move beyond comfort, embrace sacrifice, and believe that our pledges and actions, when placed in God's hands, will have eternal impact.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Needs and Miracles: Matthew 14:15-16 shows that miracles begin with needs. What is a current need in your life (e.g., health, relationships, or finances) that could be a precursor to a miracle? How can you trust God to meet this need and involve you in the process?

2. God's Invitation: Jesus told the disciples, "You give them something to eat" (Matthew 14:16), involving them in the miracle. When has God asked you to take an active role in addressing a need (e.g., serving, giving, or reaching out)? How did you see God move when you stepped out in faith?

3. Levels of Giving: The sermon outlines three levels of giving: what you can afford, what you can sacrifice, and what you trust God to do through you. Which level describes your current approach to giving? How has this sermon series challenged you to step into the next level?

4. Supernatural Outcomes: Matthew 14:20-21 shows that God turned a small lunch into a supernatural miracle. Share a time when you saw God multiply a small act of obedience into something significant. How does this encourage you to increase your faith for what God can do in and through your "yes"?

5. Church Vision: As Active Church aims to reach SLO County, how did participating in Commitment Sunday feel for you? What prayers or steps can we as a group support each other?

DAILY DEVOTIONALS

WEEK 5 • I AM PART OF GOD'S PLAN

Day 1: God Addresses Our Deepest Needs

Matthew 14:14-15
When Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, he had compassion on them and healed their sick. As evening approached, the disciples came to him and said, 'This is a remote place, and it's already getting late. Send the crowds away, so they can go to the villages and buy themselves some food.

God's plan begins with addressing humanity's needs, from physical to spiritual. In Matthew 14, Jesus saw the crowd's hunger and acted with compassion, meeting their need through a miracle. Philippians 4:19 assures us God supplies all our needs. If you're facing a challenge, like a health issue or financial strain, trust that your need is a setup for God's provision. For example, pray about a job loss and look for His unexpected solutions, like a new opportunity. Recognizing your needs as opportunities for miracles helps you rely on God's compassion daily.

Prayer: Compassionate God, You see my needs. Thank You for Your promise to provide. Help me trust You to meet my deepest needs with Your abundant grace. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  What need in my life can I trust God to meet?
- How can I apply it?
  List one need and pray daily for God's provision this week.
- Talk to God about it.
  Ask God to show His compassion in a specific need I'm facing.

Day 2: God Involves His People

Matthew 14:16
Jesus replied, 'They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat.'

Ephesians 2:10
For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

God invites us to participate in His plans, working through us to meet needs. In Matthew 14, Jesus tasked the disciples with feeding the crowd, showing we're part of His work. Ephesians 2:10 confirms we're created for good works. For instance, if a neighbor is struggling, offer to cook a meal or pray with them. Your small act partners with God's plan. Reflect on where God is calling you to act—perhaps serving at church or helping a coworker—and step out to be His hands and feet.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for including me in Your plans. Show me where I can serve others. Use my actions to bring Your love and provision to those around me. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  Where is God asking me to get involved in His work?

- How can I apply it?
  Take one action, like giving in the Miracle Offering, to partner with God this week.

- Talk to God about it.
  Pray for opportunities to be used by God in a specific situation.

Day 3: God's Plan Requires Faith

Matthew 14:17-18
We have here only five loaves of bread and two fish,' they answered. 'Bring them here to me,' he said.

Hebrews 11:1
Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see.

God's plans often demand faith, as they exceed our natural resources. In Matthew 14, the disciples' small offering required trust in Jesus to multiply it. Hebrews 11:1 defines faith as confidence in the unseen. Faith takes risks. If you are hesitant to join the dream team, give for the first time, or forgive someone that hurt you, go for it.

God honors when we step out and do what is difficult. Faith trusts God's supernatural provision. Identify a goal that feels too big and act in faith, trusting God to provide what you lack.

Prayer: Father, Your plans require my faith. Help me trust You when the task feels impossible. Give me courage to step out and rely on Your provision. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  What big step is God asking me to take in faith?
- How can I apply it?
  Take one small step toward a God-sized goal, like making a plan.
- Talk to God about it.
  Pray for faith to trust God in a specific dream or challenge.

Day 4: God Multiplies Our Sacrifices

Matthew 14:19-20
And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people. They
all ate and were satisfied, and the disciples picked up twelve basketfuls of broken pieces that were left over.

God transforms our sacrifices into supernatural outcomes. The boy's small lunch in Matthew 14 fed thousands when given to Jesus. We often think that what we have is not enough, but in 2 Corinthians 9:10 God promises to multiply our offerings.

For example, sacrificing time to disciple a youth can impact their life eternally. When you give—whether money, time, or skills—trust God to multiply it. Consider a sacrifice, like giving towards our Miracle Offering this Sunday and expect God to use it beyond your imagination for His kingdom.

Prayer: Lord, You multiply what I offer. Thank You for turning my sacrifices into miracles. Help me give generously, trusting Your supernatural work. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  What can I sacrifice to see God's multiplication?

- How can I apply it?
  Give a sacrificial gift to advance God's kingdom through Active's Miracle Offering this Sunday.

- Talk to God about it.
  Pray for trust to offer a specific sacrifice to God's plan.

Day 5: Building Through the Church

Ephesians 3:20-21
Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

Matthew 16:18
And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.

God's plan unfolds through His church, the vehicle for His eternal work. Ephesians 3:20-21 shows His power works through us, His Church, for His glory. The church is worth investing in. Jesus tells us in Matthew 16:18 that the church's mission is unstoppable. Reflect on how you can contribute to Active's mission to move others towards Christ, Community and their Calling.

By joining the Serve Team or giving towards our Miracle Offering, you partner with God's plan to reach SLO County. Continue to trust God to use your efforts to make an eternal impact.

Prayer: Lord, thank You for building Your church through me. Show me how to contribute to Your mission. Use my efforts to reach others for Your glory. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  How can I contribute to God's work through the church?

- How can I apply it?
  Commit to one church activity, like joining the Serve Team, this month.

- Talk to God about it.
  Pray for a role in the church's mission that aligns with my gifts.

WEEK SIX

The Significance of Sacrifice

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Ephesians 3:20
"Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us."

Week 6: The Significance of Sacrifice

Mark 12:41-44
"Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few. Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, 'Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on.'"

To sacrifice for something significant:

1. Start with the right heart.

1 Samuel 16:7
"But the LORD said to Samuel, 'Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The LORD does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart.'"

God is more interested in the motive of your heart than the amount of money that you give.

2. Equal sacrifice matters more than equal amounts.

2 Samuel 24:24
"But the king replied to Araunah, 'No, I insist on paying you for it. I will not sacrifice to the Lord my God burnt offerings that cost me nothing.'"

Sacrifice not only builds the church, but it also builds you.

3. Fear robs us of sacrifice.

2 Timothy 1:7
"For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline."

4. Sacrifice becomes significant when it's invested in eternity.

Matthew 6:20-21
"But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

WEEK 6 • THE SIGNIFICANCE OF SACRIFICE

In the final week of the Immeasurably More series, titled "The Significance of Sacrifice," we are challenged to make sacrifices that have eternal impact, anchored in Ephesians 3:20, which celebrates God's power to do far beyond what we can imagine through us. The sermon draws from Mark 12:41-44, where Jesus praises a poor widow's offering of two small coins, given from her heart and costing her everything, over the large but effortless gifts of the wealthy. This story teaches that God values the motive of our heart, the cost of our sacrifice, and our trust in Him over the amount given. As Active Church concludes this series with the Miracle Offering, we are called to sacrifice for God's kingdom, overcoming fear (2 Timothy 1:7) and investing in the eternal work of the church (Matthew 6:20-21). Our sacrifices, like Jesus' ultimate sacrifice, build our faith and leave a lasting legacy for SLO County and beyond.

This week's focus is on reflecting on the sacrifices we make and ensuring they align with God's eternal purposes. As we discuss the widow's example and our participation in the vision offering, we are encouraged to give with a heart yielded to God, embrace the cost of sacrifice, and trust Him to multiply our offerings for His glory. The sermon reminds us that every sacrifice, no matter how small, is significant when invested in God's plan to build His church.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Evaluating Sacrifices: The sermon notes that we all make sacrifices daily, but often for temporary things. What is a sacrifice you've made recently (e.g., time, money, or energy)? Was it worth it, why or why not? How can you shift your sacrifices toward things with eternal significance, like God's kingdom?

2. Heart Motive: In Mark 12:41-44, Jesus valued the widow's heart over the amount she gave (1 Samuel 16:7). What motives drive your giving or serving (e.g., obligation, love, or desire to honor God)? How can you continue to cultivate a heart that gives to please God alone?

3. Overcoming Fear: God's Spirit gives power, love, and self-discipline, not fear. How has fear held you back from sacrificial obedience? What steps can you take to live out the 2 Timothy 1:7 mindset?

4. Personal Legacy: The widow's small gift is remembered 2,000 years later because it was given to God. What kind of legacy do you hope your sacrifices will leave for your family, community, or church?

5. Jesus' Example: The sermon closes by highlighting Jesus' life of sacrifice. How does His ultimate sacrifice on the cross motivate you to live a life of sacrificial generosity?

DAILY DEVOTIONALS

WEEK 6 • THE SIGNIFICANCE OF SACRIFICE

Day 1: Giving With A Pure Heart

Mark 12:43-44
Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, 'Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on.

1 Samuel 16:7
But the Lord said to Samuel, 'Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.'

God values the heart behind our giving more than the amount. The widow's small offering was precious because it flowed from a heart devoted to God. 1 Samuel 16:7 reminds us God examines our motives. For example, if you give to a church to gain recognition, ask God to purify your intentions. Instead, give quietly, donating with a desire to honor God but not be recognized by man. 2 Corinthians 9:7 encourages cheerful giving. Reflect on your motives when you give time, money, or effort, ensuring they honor God, not self.

Prayer: Lord, purify my heart in giving. Help me offer my resources with love and devotion to You. Remove selfish motives and let my actions glorify You. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  Are my motives for giving pure or self-serving?
- How can I apply it?
  Give without wanting to be acknowledged by man.
- Talk to God about it.
  Pray for a heart that gives to honor God in a specific act of generosity.

Day 2: Embracing Costly Sacrifice

2 Samuel 24:24
But the king replied to Araunah, 'No, I insist on paying you for it. I will not sacrifice to the Lord my God burnt offerings that cost me nothing.'

True sacrifice costs something, reflecting our commitment to God. David refused a free offering, knowing sacrifice requires personal investment. This is a challenge for us all. The Christian life is one of sacrifice. Luke 14:33 calls us to surrender all for Christ.

For instance, forgoing a luxury purchase to fund the mission of the church is a costly sacrifice that builds faith. Romans 12:1 urges us to offer ourselves as living sacrifices. Consider what you cling to - time, money, or comfort - and offer it to God, trusting Him to use it for His purposes.

Prayer: Father, teach me to embrace costly sacrifice. Show me what to surrender for Your kingdom. Strengthen my faith as I give what matters to me. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  What costly sacrifice is God asking of me?
- How can I apply it?
  Sacrifice one comfort (e.g., a meal out) to give to a kingdom cause.
- Talk to God about it.
  Pray for courage to offer a specific costly sacrifice to God.

Day 3: Overcoming Fear in Sacrifice

2 Timothy 1:7
For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline.

Fear often blocks sacrificial giving, but God equips us to overcome it. 2 Timothy 1:7 assures us His Spirit brings power, not timidity. When making a decision to sacrifice, lean into God's power so that we can have the courage to do what He has called us to do instead of shrinking back in fear and doubt. Joshua 1:9 tells us "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go." Don't let fear stop you from living in faith. Whether it is giving sacrificially, forgiving someone who hurt you, or starting something new with your career, anything significant is going to be scary but that is why we rely on God's past faithfulness. Remember how He saved you, how He provided for you, how He loved you despite your mistakes, and how He forgave you. Isaiah 41:10 promises God's presence. Take a bold step, trusting God to guide you. Replacing fear with faith allows you to sacrifice freely for His kingdom.

Prayer: Lord, replace my fear with Your power and courage. Help me sacrifice boldly, trusting Your presence. Guide me to act in faith for Your glory. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  What fear is holding me back from sacrificing?
- How can I apply it?
  Take one bold step of faith this week.
- Talk to God about it.
  Pray for strength to overcome fear in a specific act of sacrifice.

Day 4: Investing in Eternal Things

Matthew 6:20-21
But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Colossians 3:2
Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.

Sacrifices gain significance when invested in God's eternal kingdom. Matthew 6:20–21 urges us to prioritize heavenly treasures, and Colossians 3:2 calls us to focus on eternal things. When you invest your time, talents, and treasure into the purposes of God, you are making an investment in the eternal rather than the temporal. It is often difficult for us to remember that our work in God's kingdom carries eternal impact and rewards. Paul tells us in 1 Timothy 6:18–19 that our generosity is storing up an eternal reward. We should regularly examine how our resources are impacting not only this life but also eternity. It should be the common practice of every Christian to review our spending and time allocation and to redirect resources toward God's eternal work. This is truly how a legacy is built.

Prayer: Lord, help me invest in Your eternal kingdom. Shift my heart from earthly to heavenly treasures. Use my sacrifices to build what lasts forever. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  Am I investing more in earthly or eternal things?

- How can I apply it?
  Invest financially into eternity by giving towards the Miracle Offering.

- Talk to God about it.
  Pray for wisdom to prioritize eternal investments in my giving.

Day 5: Reflecting Jesus' Sacrifice

Philippians 2:7-8
Rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!

Jesus' ultimate sacrifice on the cross models how we should live. Philippians 2:7-8 shows His humility and obedience. This is the example that Christians should follow. Jesus humbled Himself, took the difficult path of the cross, and displayed His sacrificial love. Christians are called to follow His example. Our lives should be marked by humility and service. We emulate Christ by putting others first, investing in the eternal, and making sacrifices that benefit His kingdom.

Hebrews 12:2 encourages us to fix our eyes on Jesus. He is our goal. Jesus is the prize. Reflect on how you can mirror His selflessness daily—whether through forgiving an offense or giving generously—to demonstrate His love to the world.

Prayer: Jesus, thank You for Your sacrifice. Help me reflect Your selfless love in my actions. Empower me to live sacrificially for others and Your kingdom. Amen.

Application Questions

- What is God saying to me?
  How can I mirror Jesus' sacrifice in my life?
- How can I apply it?
  Perform one selfless act to reflect Jesus this week.
- Talk to God about it.
  Pray for a heart to live sacrificially like Jesus did.



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