

SERMON NOTES

September 26 & 27, 2026

Back to Basics: Be Generous

Mark 10:17-22

1. What I _____ will have a powerful impact on how I experience life.

Mark 10:17-22

2. My heart will be shaped by _____.

Matthew 6:19-21

3. Jesus tried to reach the wealthy young man's heart by encouraging him to:

- _____ his treasure by _____.

4. Heart Changing Generosity:

a. Is _____

- God asks us to _____ in the lives and needs of others.

Mark 10:21

b. Is _____

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- Investing in heavenly treasure _____ earthly treasure.

Mark 10:22

- I tend to assume

• I _____ than I actually do.

• I am _____ than I actually am.

- The real cost is not what I am asked to give, it's _____.

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c. Is _____

Mark 10:21

Life Steps

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Monday

James 1:17 | Philippians 4:19

Reflect: Identify as many ways as possible that you have experienced the generosity of God.

Prayer: Creator God, you are the giver of life and every perfect gift I enjoy. Thank you for being more than generous with me and my family.

Tuesday

Mark 10:17

Reflect: What do you think is the cause for the wealthy man's question? What is your understanding of "eternal life?" See John 6:47-48, 14:6 & John 17:3 to help you.

Prayer: Creator God, you are the source of life. Without you, there is no Life. Today and forever I want to live in the love, grace, and truth of your presence.

Wednesday

Mark 10:17-18

Reflect: How has God been good to you? How does trusting in God's goodness prevent us from becoming greedy and stingy?

Prayer: Almighty and holy God, you have been oh so good to me. I trust you, and I surrender all that I have to Your work and mission in the world.

Thursday

Mark 10:17-22

Reflect: Why do you think Jesus instructed him to sell everything and give it to the poor? Why do you think being generous with others creates for us "treasure in heaven"?

Prayer: Generous God, all that I have, your hands have created. Take it and use it to bless others and build your Kingdom.

Friday

Matthew 6:19-21

Reflect: We learned in last weekend's message, investing in heavenly treasure requires redirecting and sacrificing earthly treasure. Do a quick treasure inventory when it comes to your relationships, opportunities, cash, knowledge, energy, and time. In the days ahead, how will you choose to be generous with these earthly treasures?

Prayer: God of all heavenly and earthly blessings, bring into my life those you want to bless through the abundance you have provided me.

Saturday

Mark 10:21

Reflect: The wealthy young man did not do what Jesus commanded him to do, but Jesus still looked at him with love. What does this teach you about who God is? What does this teach you about God's posture towards you?

Prayer: God of all who live, move, and have their being, you are the alpha and the omega, the beginning and the end. You are life and love. In you we find direction for our lives. Speak Lord, Jesus, speak.

Sunday

Psalms 67:1-7

Reflect: Today is World Wide Communion Sunday. What are your current primary concerns for our world?

Prayer: Read Psalm 67 again and use it as your guide for praying for our world and our Sunday worship services.