

# QUESTIONS TO HELP THE SERMON STICK

Living A Generous Life

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1. Make a list of 4 or 5 things that come to your mind when you read the phrase “living a generous life”.

If you are studying these questions in a group with others, after everyone has shared did any new or different thoughts come to your mind?

2. Read Acts 4:32-37. What key phrases or words do you see? Read Acts 5:1-11. While this story is not intended to scare you, the contrasts between “the believers and Joseph” (in 4:32-37) and Ananias and Sapphira (in 5:1-11) is vivid and stark. What contrasts do you see?
3. Do you believe this statement, “Generosity builds community”? Why or why not? If you are thinking of generosity as only relating to money, think again. In what other parts of life can a person live generously?
4. Would you say the American consumerist materialism is a positive, negative or neutral? Why? Is this a strictly American problem or can you see (from reading Acts 4:32-5:11) that this is a universal human problem?
5. Describe the difference between living generously in every area of your life versus living a closed off stingy life.
6. After this lesson are there areas of your life that you have not/are not living generously? If so, ask God for forgiveness and strength to turn over your entire life in trust to Him. Tell a trusted friend of your decision and ask them to check in with you regularly on this.