

The logo features a stylized illustration of a wallet or folder on the left, with the text "GIVING 101" in a large, bold, distressed font to its right. Below this, the words "MESSAGE NOTES" are written in a smaller, clean, sans-serif font.

GIVING 101

MESSAGE NOTES

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Be generous with what God has provided knowing that He'll keep providing in the future

1. Generosity begins with trusting God

2 Corinthians 9:8-9

Giving 101:

God as owner and you as manager or steward

Trust is the hinge for giving consistently and obediently or not

Biblical principles about giving

- i. Priority (first fruits)
- ii. Proportional (% of income)
- iii. Progressive (grows as God supplies more seed)

Trust is developed step by step, not in one gigantic leap

Psalms 112:4-5

2. Generosity prompts God to increase your opportunities for more generosity

2 Corinthians 9:10

Isaiah 55:10-11

A Trinity Core Value:

The Bible is God's Story given to transform you and to be the authority in your life

3. Because God will provide, you'll have enough to give generously

2 Corinthians 9:11

2 Corinthians 8:12

Jehovah Jireh – God will provide

Now What?

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HOME GROUP NOTES

In Home Groups, we strive to do 'life and mission together.' If you are interested, please see our website under "Home Groups."

Share It

What are some of the ways of living generously? Who is an example of this?

Learn from the Bible

This section of our weekly notes is for us to read and learn from God in His Word. What do we learn about God as our provider?

Matthew 6:31-32

Matthew 7:11

Psalms 34:10

We learned last week that our lifestyle should reflect the character of God. Why is God generous with us? To what end?

Read 2 Corinthians 9:8-11.

How is "grace" involved in God's action toward us? (8)

What will God provide? (8)

What are the intended results of God's gracious provisions? (8-11)

What is the connection between sharing "gifts" and "righteousness?" (9,10)

How does God, our supplier, respond when as we share "gifts?" What are the results of our gifts? (11)

Complete the idea: God is generous with us to _____.

Discuss Together

How did your family of origin treat money or wealth? Did they discuss it?

Discuss this statement: "Be generous with what God has provided knowing that He'll keep providing in the future." When is this easy or difficult to do? Why is this so?

Read together Mark 12:41-44. What was true of the temple system (treasury) to which the "poor widow" generously gave? What did Jesus praise?

Pray Together

- For the women involved in the Christmas celebration and those invited
- For Micah House teams and the families involved
- For the Trinity Family and the many in difficult circumstances