

**SERMON NOTES**

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*I. AN EXAMPLE OF GENEROSITY*

*II. ROOT OF GENEROSITY*

*III. CALL OF GENEROSITY*

**HARBOR CHURCH**  
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WE ARE A FAMILY OF GOD, BOUND TOGETHER TO  
GLORIFY AND ENJOY HIM FOREVER. WE DO THIS BY  
SHARING THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST,  
STRENGTHENING EACH OTHER IN HIM, AND  
SHOWING HIM TO OUR COMMUNITY AND THE WORLD.

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## GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

*Psalm 9:1-4*

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart; I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.

**I will be glad and exult in You; I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.**

When my enemies turn back, they stumble and perish before your presence.

**For You have maintained my just cause; You have sat on the throne, giving righteous judgment.**

## WE ASK GOD TO BE WITH US

*...Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.*

## AND CAN IT BE

*Trinity Hymnal #455*

## WE CONFESS OUR SINS PUBLICALLY AND SILENTLY

Lord God Almighty, You graciously and generously fill our lives with many wonderful things. You bless us with friends, family, and wealth that most people in this world can't even imagine. We confess today that we are prone to love your good gifts far more than we love you. We covet and long for things that you haven't given us, or we are filled with fearful anxiety if we think that you might take away the things or people that we have come to love so much. Father, thank you for your deep and endless mercy to rebels like us...We know that we deserve your wrath, and yet when we approach you we find grace and mercy instead.

*Barbara R. Duguid, Streams of Mercy: Prayers of Confession and Celebration, ed. Iain M. Duguid (Phillipsburg, NJ: P&R Publishing, 2018), 26.*

## GOD ASSURES US WE ARE FORGIVEN

*Luke 11:13*

If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!"

## I SET MY HOPE ON JESUS (HYMN FOR A DECONSTRUCTING FRIEND)

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## WE CONFESS OUR FAITH

*Westminster Larger Catechism #147*

Q. 147. What are the duties required in the tenth commandment [you shall not covet]?

**A. The duties required in the tenth commandment are, such a full contentment with our own condition, and such a charitable frame of the whole soul toward our neighbor, as that all our inward motions and affections touching him, tend unto, and further all that good which is his.**

## BIBLE MEMORY VERSE

*Ephesians 3:13*

**So I ask you not to lose heart over what I am suffering for you, which is your glory.**

## CHRIST IS MINE FOREVERMORE

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## WE READ FROM GOD'S WORD

*Mark 12:41-44*

And He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the offering box. Many rich people put in large sums. And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which make a penny. And He called His disciples to Him and said to them, "Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

## WE PRAY TO GOD FOR THE CONGREGATION

*Jack Edwards*

*I pray for someone who doesn't know Jesus:*

## WE WORSHIP GOD BY GIVING OFFERINGS

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## THE GOODNESS OF THE LORD (LAMENTATIONS 3)

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## WE THANK GOD FOR HIS BLESSINGS (DOXOLOGY)

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow / Praise Him, all creatures here below  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host / Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## WE HEAR FROM GOD'S WORD

*Pastor Michael Colvard*

*"The Beginning of Generosity"*

*2 Corinthians 8:1-7*

## GOD FEEDS US IN THE LORD'S SUPPER

(All the bread is gluten, and nut free. Wine is on the outer ring; inside rings are juice. Please dispose of cups on your way out of the Sanctuary.)

## IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL

*Trinity Hymnal #691*

## WE RECEIVE GOD'S BLESSING OVER US (BENEDICTION)