CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH	Generous Life: Is Generosity Spiritual?
BIG IDEA	Interest follows investment.
ICE BREAKER	If you unexpectedly received \$1,000 that you had to give away (you couldn't keep any of it), who or what would you give it to and why?
MAIN POINTS	<ul> <li>Money is Spiritual - Jesus talked more about money than prayer, worship, or fasting.</li> <li>You can't take money with you, but you can send it ahead.</li> <li>"Your heart follows your money" - we become interested in what we invest in.</li> <li>The tithe (10%) is a starting point, but generosity should ultimately be sacrificial.</li> <li>Our giving advances the mission to help people discover faith in Jesus.</li> </ul>
DISCUSS	<ol> <li>Do you find it easy or difficult to consider money as a spiritual matter? Why?</li> <li>Shan noted that the Bible contains approximately 2,300 verses about money. Why do you think Jesus and the biblical authors spoke about money so frequently?</li> <li>Read Matthew 6:19-21. What does it mean to "store up treasures in heaven"?</li> <li>What was your reaction to this statement: "God will take you further, faster with 90% of your time and money than you will be able to do with 100% by yourself"?</li> <li>Beyond money, what other resources has God given you that you could invest more sacrificially in His kingdom?</li> <li>At the end of your life, would you rather be remembered for what you accumulated or what you gave away? How does this influence your decisions?</li> </ol>
NEXT STEP	C.S. Lewis suggested we should give "more than we can spare." What is one intentional step you could take toward giving more than you can spare?
SCRIPTURE	Malachi 3:10 Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it."  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.
NEXT WEEK SNEAK PEAK	Join us next week and invite a friend as we continue a new series!

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