

Royal Redeemer

CGS Community Discussion Guide

Based on the sermon for Nov. 18-19, 2017:
10,000 Reasons: Children of a Generous God



(For use as an opening Devotion, use only the highlighted portion)

- **Begin by sharing a high and/or a low from your week**
- **Connect**
 - Tell about a time when you were the recipient of an unexpected and generous act.
- **Grow** (read this passage aloud and listen for words or phrases that speak into your life now)

32 *“If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them. 33 And if you do good to those who are good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do that. 34 And if you lend to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, expecting to be repaid in full. 35 But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked. 36 Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. 37 “Do not judge, and you will not be judged. Do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven. 38 Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.”* **Luke 6:32-38**

- Share any words or phrases that speak into your life today.
 - If you are able, watch any of the *Give Like God Gives* videos on YouTube. Who in this world inspires you with their generosity?
 - How can acts of generosity be a bridge to Christianity for someone who does not believe? How important are actions in our witness?
 - What does Jesus want from you? Read Luke 14:25-33
 - Discuss: *Let us try to teach generosity and altruism, because we are born selfish.*
Richard Dawkins
- **Serve**
 - What is one thing you can do to practice generosity this week?
 - **End with Prayer and the Lord's Prayer**