Discipleship in the Home: Week 4

Cultivating Generosity

Matthew 6:21 "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

WSC Q. 47 What is forbidden in the first commandment?

A. The first commandment forbids the denial of, or failure to worship and glorify the true God as God, and our God; and it forbids the giving of that worship and glory to any other, which is due to God alone.

"There are three conversions necessary [for the Christian life]: the conversion of the heart, the mind, and the purse." Martin Luther

• What do the Scriptures say about generosity regarding your treasure, talents and time?

About the Tithe:

Genesis 14:19-20 Abram giving a tenth

Genesis 28:20-22 Jacob giving a tenth

Leviticus 27:30-34 A tithe of everything belongs to the LORD.

Numbers 18:21, 26 The Levites receiving the tithe, and then tithing on it

Deuteronomy 14: 22-29 Setting aside a tenth of the product of the fields

2 Corinthians 8:7

But since you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love we have kindled in you[a]—see that you also excel in this grace of giving.

Get Practical:

- 1. Discuss the needs of others
- 2. Give away time
- 3. Give away money
- 4. Give away things

Discussion Questions:

- In what ways do you struggle to embrace an abundance mentality vs. a scarcity mentality, in regards to God's provision?
- In what ways is your family affected by this? How do they experience your disposition toward generosity?
- What will you teach your kids about financial management (give, save, spend, debt)? How will you teach them? When will you teach them?

Resource: Show Them Jesus: Teaching the Gospel to Kids, by Jack Klumpenhower