

## PRACTICAL APPLICATION \_\_\_\_\_

1. Based on what we've read, why is it important for you, as a Christian, to be generous? Why is it important for the church, as a collective body, to be generous?

2. On Sunday, we were all given the opportunity to take the 90-day giving challenge. Which part of the challenge did you accept?

How can your group encourage you in the next 90 days to do what you committed to doing?

## PRAYER REQUESTS \_\_\_\_\_

# MESSAGE NOTES

Pressure Points series - Generosity

Text: Malachi 3:8-10

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\_\_\_\_\_ : Having more than we need.

\_\_\_\_\_ : Is to have God's divine and supernatural power working on and in your life.

Malachi 3:8, "Will a man rob God? Yet you rob me. But you ask, 'How do we rob you?' In \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_."

Malachi 3:9, "You are under a curse - the whole nation of you - because you are \_\_\_\_\_ me."

Malachi 3:10, "Bring the whole \_\_\_\_\_ 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 \_\_\_\_\_ that you will not have room enough for it.'"

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# CONNECT GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

For the week of January 29, 2023

Pressure Points series - Generosity

## GETTING STARTED \_\_\_\_\_

1. Do money and finances bring you joy, or is it something that brings stress into your life? Explain.

2. What are the negative effects when we stress over our finances or the management of money?

3. Why do so many adults lack discipline in money management?

2. Read **Matthew 19:16-30**. How would you describe the faith of the rich young ruler? What was it that he wanted?

What did the rich young ruler do to try and obtain what he wanted?

Why didn't Jesus condemn him for following the law rather than relying on faith?

## DIGGING DEEPER \_\_\_\_\_

1. According to **Malachi 3:8-12**, the people's failure to tithe wasn't the only reason God withheld His blessing. What was the greater problem?

3. In **2 Corinthians 8:1-15**, Paul affirms the Macedonia church for being generous. What can we learn about the Macedonians from their giving?

What does a lack of faithfulness in giving reveal about our relationship with God?

What are some things from this passage you observe regarding their giving?