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## MESSAGE APPLICATION Guide

*Please feel free to pick and choose the questions that relate best to you and your Small Group.*

### **This is What We Do** Week 3

**ICE-BREAKER:** What's your scariest moment of generosity? What happened?

What's the most crazy-generous gift or help you've ever received? What was that like?

We often think of being blessed by receiving a gift. How does that compare to the blessing you receive by giving a gift?

What motivates you to live generously? What prevents you from living generously?

**READ:** *"Sitting across from the offering box, he was observing how the crowd tossed money in for the collection. Many of the rich were making large contributions. One poor widow came up and put in two small coins—a measly two cents. Jesus called his disciples over and said, 'The truth is that this poor widow gave more to the collection than all the others put together. All the others gave what they'll never miss; she gave extravagantly what she couldn't afford—she gave her all.'"*  
- **Mark 12:41-44 (MSG)**

Do you think Jesus purposely sat near the temple treasury? If so, why?

According to this passage, what place does a person's motivation and attitude have in their giving to the Lord?

When have you ever simply given out of your wealth instead of giving sacrificially to the Lord? Why do you think God wants us to give sacrificially?

Have you ever received a blessing for giving sacrificially? Tell the group about it.

How do you need to change your attitude about giving?

What keeps you from being more generous? What would it look like to overcome that?

Are you best at giving spontaneously, strategically, or sacrificially? Which area would you like to grow in?

What would a practical step toward abundant giving look like in your life? Determine where you need to trust God more today. What steps will you take to do it?