



## We are God's Stewards

**The Goal:** To understand that everything is the Lord's, and we are His stewards (managers). We can use our Father's resources to do good things in this world. God cares about what we do with ourselves, our lives and the gifts, skills, talents, and possessions that he has given to us.

**Leader's Notes:** This is an immersive experience designed for ages 6-18. The duration is 30 minutes or can be extended by completing the GIVE activities together.

Please read through all pages of the adventure before starting the session. Please read the **Leader's Guide** for further guidelines on the adventures. Have fun!

### The Generosity Adventure Path



Engage in a **giving** adventure to experience generosity more fully as a recipient OR as a giver

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**Gather** around the Bible and discuss what it means.

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Play an experiential **game** to raise curious thinking, then answer some reflection questions.

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# Game — Stuck in the Mud



**What you need:** A space big enough for players to move around

## Play this game together

- Create a playing area that is around 20 meters by 30 meters (enough for about 50 children).
- Choose a “Mud Boss” who stands in the middle of the play area with their arms out. Choose a “Chaser” who tries to tag as many players as possible.
- When the Chaser tags a player, that player must stop on the spot, pretending to be stuck in the mud. They stand still with their arms out, waiting to be released.
- Untagged players can free those stuck in the mud. To do this, they touch the hand of the Mud Boss and then run under the arms of the stuck person, calling “FREE!”. While a player is freeing someone, they cannot be tagged.



[Game \(How To Video\)](#)

## Reflect together

- How did you feel when you were stuck?
- How did it feel to be set free?
- What was your favourite role?

## Stop and imagine

- What is generosity like for you?
- Who owns our talents and our skills?



**Remember:** God owns everything, and we are his stewards.

**What you need:** At least one Bible for each small group

## Story of the Bible

Gather in small groups and describe or discuss the Biblical principles around our key theme: **God owns everything.**



Read [Matthew 25:14-30](#) (NIV) out loud together. Consider using this as a verse to remember for the week. You could even write it out and mark the text to highlight God's love and generosity.

## Discuss

- Have you heard this story before? Who owned the treasure?
- How did the three servants behave?
- What do you think about the Master's judgement about his servants?



[Parable of the Talents](#)

## Reflect together

- Jesus told parables, stories that are *much like reality, but not history*. Parables surprise us, force us to face difficult things.
- How does this parable help us understand our lives today?
- Jesus told this to adults to shake them up – they had forgotten that God had given them everything! What do you think Jesus wants us to know today about the world around us? What do we think we own?



**What you need:** Small items of low value for each person or each group. They're going to trade the item UP.

## Trading UP to Generosity

- Give each child (or a small group of children) an item of very low value that they can Trade UP.
- For example, each group is given a brand-new pencil.
- They take that pencil to someone and tell them that they are doing a generosity challenge.
- They ask this person if they will trade their pencil up for something better? Then they take that better thing and ask someone else to Trade UP with them in the same way.
- The idea is to involve as many people as possible in small acts of generosity to see what it can add up to.
- Pray together, asking God to help us.
- Spread talkative people among the groups.
- Does anyone have questions, concerns, or worries?



**Gen-G Gem:** God owns everything, even the things we have. And we are His stewards. God will grow generosity in our hearts, attitudes, and habits.

## Discuss your discoveries

- What happened?
- What surprised you the most?
- What should we do with our Trade Up items? Do we know anyone in need? Should we sell them and donate the money?
- Think about where we started – who owned the pencils (starter item)? Was it us? (No!)



*Generosity Video: (coming soon!)*

# Repeat



This adventure is just the beginning of an ongoing journey learning more about our generous God!

You can repeat this experience or choose another! Visit <https://generousgenerations.org> for more resources and Generosity Journeys with new discoveries, games, and experiences!

## Lights, Camera, Generosity in Action!

Share your story of your observations about God's generosity!



If you'd like to share your generosity story, please send a video or audio to the Gen-G stories team. Your story can inspire others to be a part of the Gen-G movement! You can email them to [stories@generousgenerations.org](mailto:stories@generousgenerations.org) or send them via WhatsApp to +27-83-395-4588