A Generous Adventure



Wise Caretakers of God's Things

The Goal: To understand that when we are faithful and responsible with small things, it shows that we can be trusted with bigger things.

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. Change the questions and use different source videos to best serve your group.

The Generosity Adventure Path



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



Gather around the Bible and discuss what it means.



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

Game – Planet Protectors



What you need: Recyclable items (plastic bottles, cardboard boxes or cartons, paper, glass etc.), Labelled recycling bins, a timer.

Play this game together

- Divide into teams equal in number.
- Scatter the recyclable materials around the play area.
- Explain: Your mission is to collect as much recycling material as you can in the set time limit.
- Each team must work together to gather the materials and sort them into the correct recycling bins.
- Set a timer (e.g., 5-10 minutes)
- When the time is up, gather the teams together, and count how many items they have collected and correctly sorted.
- The winning team is the one who collected and sorted the most items correctly.

Reflect together

- Why do you think recycling and caring for the environment is important?
- How do your actions in the game reflect the concept of stewardship or being caretakers of God's creation?
- Think about ways you can be a planet protector in your daily life, such as reducing waste, picking up litter when you walk along the road etc.

Stop and imagine

- What is generosity like for you?
- Have you ever thought about it?

Gather



Remember: We are caretakers of God's things on earth.

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 theme of the day: We are caretakers of God's things on earth.



Read Luke 16:10-12 (NIV) out loud together. Consider having each person read one verse.

Discuss

- What does Jesus mean when He says, "Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much?"
- How can we show that we are trustworthy with the things God gives us?
- Why is it important to be faithful in small things?

Reflect together

- Re-read Luke 16:10-12 together.
- Now you know that God wants us to care for the things He gives us, what will you do differently?

Give



What you need: A small amount of play money (or tokens); anything that can act as "money", but not real money. We call them "Bible Dollars" or tokens. You can also use pieces of paper to write an amount on each "Bible Dollar." (You can use Bible Dollars throughout this series of Generosity Adventures.) Think of things the children can purchase with their play money when they come back the following week.

Caring for others with what we have

- Explain to the children that they will earn play money (or tokens)
 for each act of generosity they perform. These acts can include
 sharing a meal with a friend, praying for someone, bringing a
 friend to Gen-G or church, helping an elderly person, or donating
 clothes or toys they no longer need.
- Encourage them to think creatively about how they can care for others. When they share their generosity story, they will receive tokens or "Bible Dollars".
- Ask the children to bring something they don't need with next time. These items can be 'sold' at the "Generosity store". Children will use the play money they receive to purchase items from the store. Ask the children to come back the following week to share what they have done to show care.



Say something like: We are caretakers of God's things here on the earth.

Discuss your discoveries

- How did this giving activity make you feel?
- What is something new that you have noticed about God?
- Did you notice generosity in others as well?

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 or send them via WhatsApp to +27-83-395-4588