REFLECTION GUIDE

10.15.23

INTRO

We are given much instruction about how to handle money and possessions in the scriptures. The abundant life God intends for us to enjoy begins to unfold when we allow God's blessing to flow through us to others.

THOUGHTS

PRAYER

God, help me see that you are more than enough to help me every day. Help me to trust in your extravagant generosity to provide, so that I am able to give to others. I don't want to miss out on any part of the abundant life you offer. Amen.

DIGGING DEEPER

- What are some "things" you really like? Identify a "thing" you're ridiculously attached to.
- Consider last month's finances. Did you have more month than money or more money than month?
- Why do you think the Bible mentions money so often?
- Proverbs 11:24-25 says, "Give freely and become more wealthy; be stingy and lose everything. The generous will prosper; those who refresh others will themselves be refreshed." [NLT]
  - Describe the tone of this passage.
  - What word or idea stands out to you? Why?
  - How might a stingy heart lead to losing?
  - List ways one can "prosper" other than financially.
  - How do you think it can be refreshing to refresh others?
- Think of generosity on a scale of 1 to 10 where 1 is giving God a tip, and 10 is giving God your first and best. How would you currently rate yourself? Why is that the case?
- Read Mark 6:34-41. What has God given you that you can distribute to those in need around you? Can you think of a specific case where something you have could meet someone else's need?