**Generosity**

**Week 3**

**Daily Time With Truth**

As you read these daily scriptures, ask yourself these three questions:

1. What is God saying to me?
2. What do I want to say to God in response?
3. How will I live out this truth?

**Day 1: Ephesians 2:10 (TLB**

It is God himself who has made us what we are and given us new lives from Christ Jesus; and long ages ago he planned that we should spend these lives in helping others.

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**Day 2: Hebrews 10:34-35 (TPT)**

You sympathized with those in prison and when all your belongings were confiscated you accepted that violation with joy; convinced that you possess a treasure growing in heaven that could never be taken from you. So don’t lose your bold, courageous faith, for you are destined for a great reward!

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**Day 3**: **Hebrews 10:38-39 (TPT)**

And he also says, “My righteous ones will live from my faith. But if fear holds them back, my soul is not content with them!” But we are certainly not those who are held back by fear and perish; we are among those who have faith and experience true life!

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**Day 4: Matthew 25:40 (TPT)**

And the King will answer them, ‘Don’t you know? When you cared for one of the least of these, my little ones, my true brothers and sisters, you demonstrated love for me.’

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**Day 5: Colossians 3:23-24 (NLT)**

Work willingly at whatever you do, as though you were working for the Lord rather than for people. Remember that the Lord will give you an inheritance as your reward, and that the Master you are serving is Christ.

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**Discussion Questions:**

1. Do you volunteer at Central Community Church? Why do you do it and are you rewarded? Share about your volunteer experiences.

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2. Why do you think God uses some people more than other people? What type of person does God tend to use?

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3. Why is faith such an essential characteristic if you want to be used by God?

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4. Read Hebrews 10:32-38. How does Paul advise these believers? How can suffering be beneficial? How have you experienced this and how has God used it in your life?

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5. Read Matthew 25:1-13. What message is Jesus conveying here?

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6. Read Matthew 25:14-30. Do you know what spiritual gift God has given you? Share with one another and any ways you have witnessed each other’s gifts.

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7. What do the talents represent? How did the man divide the talents between his servants and why? What directions were they given on how to invest what they had been given? On what basis were the servants rewarded? How did the servant who got one bag invest his and how did the master respond? What is Jesus teaching us here?

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8. Pastor Bob said, “If you don’t use it, you lose it.” How does this lesson challenge you? Are you investing the gifts God has given you in His kingdom? What changes would you like to make? How can we support you in prayer?

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