



# GENEROSITY

Generosity is a practice that makes room for new possibilities when we feel stuck or are afraid that we don't have enough. Living with generosity helps us experience the truth that God's world is one of abundance. It's risky, but when we offer what we have, we find that there is more than enough to go around!

1. Be generous with your assumptions.
2. Be generous with your time.
3. Be generous with your resources.
4. Be generous with your words.

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## Be generous with your assumptions.

The basis of generosity is humility: realizing that we are all human, doing the best we can, and often missing the mark. When we are generous with our assumptions about others, we give them room to make mistakes but also room to grow.

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## Be generous with your time.

When someone asks for your attention, your help, your compassion, give it. Some of us have lots of time to offer, and we have the option to volunteer, or to intentionally give time away. Others of us are pressed for time. One way to be generous with our time is to stay present to whomever is asking for our attention each moment.

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## Be generous with your resources.

Not only those with lots of resources have something to give. In fact, Jesus makes it clear that he is more concerned about our posture than the amount we give. Even 5 loaves and 2 fish can be more than enough to feed a crowd of 5000!

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## Be generous with your words.

Build people up. Affirm the people you love. Say sorry, and thanks, and I forgive you. Refrain from gossip and complaining. Be generous with your words!

If you want to read and think more about generosity, check out [this website](#).