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THE Church

BIG IDEA

Giving is an act of worship. It teaches us to fear the Lord, trust his provision, celebrate his goodness, and reflect his generosity toward others.

READ TOGETHER

Deuteronomy 14:22-29 | Notice what God's people set aside, what it teaches them, and who benefits.

INTO THE SERMON

LOOK BACK AT SUNDAY

1. What idea, phrase, or illustration from Sunday's sermon stayed with you most? What made it memorable?

2. The sermon acknowledged harmful teaching about money but reframed generosity as worship rather than a transaction. What made that distinction important?

INTO THE TEXT

OPEN DEUTERONOMY 14

1. Read verses 22-23. What were God's people told to set aside, and what was the stated purpose? How could giving teach them to fear the Lord?

2. Read verses 24-27. How are worship, celebration, the household, and care for the Levite connected? What does this reveal about God's character?

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INTO THE TEXT

WORSHIP, CELEBRATE, CARE

3 Read verses 28-29. Who was meant to receive from the stored tithe, and what outcome did God desire? What does this reveal about generosity and community?

4 Read 1 Corinthians 16:1-2. What pattern does Paul give the church for setting something aside? How does this build on the principles in Deuteronomy 14?

APPLICATION

PRACTICE OPEN-HANDED WORSHIP

1 What practical habits can help a household know what it has, set something aside intentionally, and keep money under the lordship of Jesus?

2 How can a church practice generosity so that worship, celebration, gospel mission, and care for people in need remain connected?

THIS WEEK

CHOOSE ONE

- Review your budget and subscriptions; choose a realistic amount or percentage to set aside.
- Begin or renew a regular rhythm of giving to support the ministry and mission of the church.
- Pray about a special gift to the Hope Before Hunger effort in Guatemala.
- Meet a practical need through Love Local, the benevolence fund, or direct generosity.

MEMORY VERSE / DEUTERONOMY 14:23

"That you may learn to fear the Lord your God always."