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COMMUNITY CHURCH

“Jehovah Jireh” - Part 5 East + Central Abbotsford – May 31/June 1, 2025

A simple framework to facilitate a spiritual conversation
to help you and your group be **deeply rooted followers of Jesus.**

THIS IS THE FINAL GUIDE AS A COMPANION TO A “TOPICAL” WEEKEND SERMON SERIES.

From September to April, our Community Group Guides primarily feature a brief study of the *biblical* text used in the weekend sermon. For the next several weeks, we’re looking more at *biblical themes* covered in the weekend message. Enjoy!

Note from Pastor Mark:

“The big idea that I hope we can/will communicate in this series of messages is that God can be trusted to take care of the needs of His children. It is HE - who is ultimately our supply, our keeper, and the financial manager of our lives. We can indeed trust Him! That trust will be tested when we are asked to actually put it into practice - specifically - when we are asked to give away the key “thing” we look to for security here and now - Money! But the blessings of God to the generous person are abundantly clear in both the OT & NT.

I am hoping that our congregation will have a deeper trust and confidence and joy in serving the LORD through our time, talents, and treasures as a result of these five weeks.

I am praying that this series will carry a tone of encouragement and trust - not a guilt-inducing - but a hope-building that God can be trusted - and therefore we are free to be generous people, living generous gospel-infused lives!”

READ 1 CORINTHIANS 16:2

- Did the Holy Spirit highlight something from the weekend sermon for you? What was a key takeaway or question you had?
- According to this text...
 - When should we give?
 - Who should be giving?
 - How much should be given?
- Discuss the R.S.P. principles of giving: Regular, Systematic, Proportional.
 - How would you define these? Are they seen in this text? Other biblical passages?

CONNECTED TEXTS

- Discuss the biblical principles of generosity.
 - Read **Deuteronomy 6:20-25** and **Joshua 4:6-7**
 - What was the action they were doing?
 - What explanation were they giving their children as to why they were doing it?
 - Read **Psalms 78:1-7**.
 - What are the people passing on to the next generation?
 - What is the motivation for this?
 - Generosity can be seen as a way to respond to + remember + pass on the knowledge of God's generosity towards us.
 - Is this something that was passed on to you from family, mentors, etc?
 - Is there someone who is able to see *your* example? (Or, put another way: would your kids, or others in your sphere of influence have a reason to ask: "why do you do that?")
- Discuss the idea of the "tithe" (tithe means "tenth"):
 - Where does this concept come from? (Look up Lev. 27:30-32, Deut. 14:22-29, Mal. 3:8-10, Matthew 23:23 - Jesus says you *should* do this.)
 - Do you treat 10% as a target to work towards or a foundation to build from?
 - All of us currently *do* give a certain percentage of our income (from 0% and up!). What Bible verses shape your perspective on this? (One to check out could be: 2 Corinthians 9:6-8.)

NOW WHAT?

- Adoration. How can we thank God for the biblical truths we've discussed?
- Confession. How can we turn to God in light of how his Word and Spirit convicted us?
- Supplication. What can we ask God for based on our conversation and/or circumstances?