

THE HEART COMES FIRST (WEEK 1)

April 27th, 2026

MESSAGE RECAP

This week, we kicked off our new series, “From the Heart,” by looking at how generosity is ultimately a heart issue, not just a financial one. Jesus teaches in Matthew 6:21 that “where your treasure is, there your heart will be also,” reminding us that what we do with our money both reveals and shapes our hearts.

In Genesis 14:18–20, Abraham responds to God’s goodness by giving a tenth—without being commanded. This shows us that true generosity flows from trust and gratitude, not obligation. We saw two key truths: generosity always starts with God, and generosity is our response to Him. Everything we have comes from God first, and when we recognize that, our hearts begin to open. The goal isn’t simply to give more—it’s to trust God more and allow Him to shape our hearts.

GROUP DISCUSSION

1. What’s one thing you’ve spent money on recently that made you think, “That probably wasn’t necessary?”
2. Jesus talks about money and the heart. Matthew 6:21
 - a. What do you think you’re spending, say, about your priorities?
3. We talked about how generosity always starts with God.
 - a. Why is it sometimes hard to truly believe that everything we have comes from Him?
4. Abraham gave without being told—his generosity was a response.
 - a. When have you experienced giving as something you wanted to do rather than something you had to do?
 - b. How could growing in generosity impact not just your life, but your family, relationships, or faith?
5. *End your group time in prayer.* Ask God to reveal any areas where fear or control may be holding you back, and to grow a heart that trusts Him fully.