DISCUSSION GUIDE

ICEBREAKER: Where are you in your spiritual journey?

OVERVIEW: It is one thing to commit an act of generosity; it is another thing to be characterized by generosity. God wants us to grow to maturity in generosity. But what does that look like? What does it look like to reach the peak of generosity; to live open-handedly, giving God complete control of our finances? What does it look like when we become the kind of givers that God ultimately wants us to become? In this discussion we will go deeper with the four signs of supernatural giving.

- 1. What insight, principle, or observation from this weekend's message did you find to be the most helpful, eye-opening, or troubling? Explain. (Or what was your key takeaway from Sunday's message?)
- 2. Who is the most generous person you have ever met?
- 3. Recall a time when someone was highly generous to you.
- 4. If you died today, would you be remembered as a generous person? Explain.

GIVE SUPERNATURALLY The Generosity Ladder — Week 6

- 5. Read 2 Corinthians 8:1-4. Paul was raising a special offering for the church in Jerusalem because they were suffering under persecution. Of all the churches who participated, the Macedonian churches were the most generous.
 - a. Jot down as many observations as you can about the Macedonian churches? How many did you come up with?
 - b. Does this passage tell us the source of their generosity? In other words, does it tell us where they got the power to be so generous? How can we tap in to this same power source?
 - c. What makes their generosity so inspiring?
- 6. What does it look like when someone is truly generous?
- 7. What steps would you like to take to become more generous?
- 8. Recall the different steps in "The Generosity Ladder." What is your biggest takeaway from this sermon series, or the biggest change you have been inspired to make?

The Last Word: "We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give." Dave Toycen

