Title: Radical Generosity

Text: "give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you." Luke 6:38 ESV

Target: Generosity is not something we do, it's who we are.

- I. The Principle of Releasing: "give, and it will be given to you." (6:38a)
 - **A.** Context of the Command: Nothing to do with money, it's about the heart.
 - **B.** Clarity in Command: "The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully, will also reap bountifully." (2 Cor. 9:6)
 - **C.** Consideration in the Command: Whatever you give, positive or negative, it comes back to you. (See Luke 6:32-37)
- **II.** The Priority of Receiving: "Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. (6:38b)
 - **A. Motives Matter:** "Good measure"
 - "Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." (2 Cor. 9:7)
 - B. Stewardship makes Room: "pressed down, shaken together"
 - 1. Remove what takes up space.
 - 2. Reorganize to create space.
 - **C.** Outpouring creates Overflow: "running over, will be put into your lap."
 - "One gives freely, yet grows all the richer; another withholds what he should give, and only suffers want. Whoever brings blessing will be enriched, and one who waters will himself be watered." (Proverbs 11:24-25)
- **III.** The <u>Purpose</u> of <u>Revealing</u>: "For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you." (6:38c)
 - **A.** The Generosity of God: "He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?" (Romans 8:32)
 - **B.** The Sacrifice of our Savior: "For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich." (2 Cor. 8:9)
 - C. The Blessing of a Believer: "And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work." (2 Cor. 9:8)

Takeaway: You can never **outgive** God, but you can **give out** from God.