

Rock Church Pastor Miles McPherson | Surrender | November 1, 2020

D12 Monthly Focus for November: Gratefully Grows in Generosity

1. Opening Prayer

• Pray together (thank God for something, pray for others, and pray for self)

Recite the Difference Maker's Prayer

"As a Difference-Making Disciple, I am pursuing the heart of the Father, a heart that is being perfected in love for God and people.

Father, give me a heart that:

- Desperately seeks face-to-face intimacy with You.
- Gracefully gives and receives forgiveness.
- Nurtures a burden for lost people.
- Serves with humility.

Jesus, create in me a heart that:

- Demonstrates a commitment to a Spirit-filled expression of my gifts.
- Faithfully avoids that which distracts me from obeying You.
- Humbly embraces a kingdom mindset.
- Values making disciples that multiply.

Holy Spirit, develop a heart in me that:

- Values being guided by the Word of God.
- Is dependent on the power of prayer.
- Gratefully grows in generosity.
- Passionately worships the fullness of God.

Father, with Christlikeness as my goal and the Holy Spirit as my Guide, knit my heart with Yours. Fill my heart with Your love for all people. In Jesus' Name, Amen."

2. Review this month's MEMORY VERSE

"There is one who scatters, yet increases more; and there is one who withholds more than is right, but it leads to poverty." ~Proverbs 11:24 NKJV

Monthly D12 Attribute: Gratefully Grows in Generosity.

• Share how you are applying it in your life.

3. Discussion Time - begin with key insights from your daily journal and allow the Holy Spirit to guide your discussion.

- What is the Holy Spirit teaching or revealing to you?
- What is a current challenge you are dealing with?
- What step will you take to be more obedient to God?
- What help do you need?
- Who will you share your faith with this week?

4. Review the Sunday Sermon notes

Pastor Miles continued his series on "Red or Blue – What Would Jesus Do?" He opened up touching on this week's election, noting how things around the nation will be changing in the near future. This particular message focuses on UPWARD SUBMISSION: our ability to biblically love those who vote different is directly proportionate to how much we are spiritually surrendered to God:

- 1. I surrender my WILL to do His will. James 4:1-3; Luke 22:39-42
- 2. I surrender my RIGHTS to walk in His rights. Philippians 2:5-8; Colossians 3:1-4
- 3. I surrender my FUTURE to gain His future. Romans 8:26-28

5. Closing Prayer

Share prayer requests and pray for each other.

This Week's Bible Reading / The Bible Project Videos

Romans 1-16: <u>https://bibleproject.com/explore/romans/</u> Psalms 128-134: <u>https://bibleproject.com/explore/psalms/</u>

Next Steps / Upcoming Events

- Be generous. Text GIVE to 52525
- Take the LIFE Class. Text LIFE Class to 52525
- Join or start an rGroup. Text GROUPS to 52525

