# "Generosity Metaphor"

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### **Encouragement:**

Pastor Miles gave the definition that a metaphor is a word or phrase that is symbolic of something else. He used an example of a papaya fruit as a metaphor for the multiplier effect. He said that one papaya fruit can have as many 500 seeds which means it has the potential to produce 500 trees!!!

In your rGroup discuss the following questions:

- o What does multiplication mean to you?
- Can you think of some examples where you have seen multiplication happen in nature, in business, in life?
- Can you think of any examples of where you have seen multiplication happen in the Bible?
- o What do these statements mean to you?
  - Giving is symbolic of your trust in the faithfulness of God. Matthew 6:31-34
  - o Giving is symbolic of your trust in the multiplying power of God. Luke 6:38
  - o Giving is symbolic of your trust in the overflowing provision of God. Malachi 3:10

#### Scripture:

Read Mark 6:33-44

- O What miracle did Jesus do in this passage?
- o Was this an example of multiplication? Why or Why Not?
- o How could this passage of scripture apply to our lives?
- o Do you believe that God could use the multiplier effect in your life? Why or Why Not?

#### Prayer:

Father God, we thank you for our time together today. We thank you for your Word and clearly showing us the example through Jesus of what multiplication can really look like through generosity. We pray that your love will work in us and through us and that we can experience multiplication through being generous people.

## **Next Steps:**

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