



# Tree House Generous Parent Guide

Memory Verse: "God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others."  
2 Corinthians 9:8 NLT

## Week 1

Your child learned that God is generous with forgiveness and grace. When Zacchaeus, a greedy tax collector, met Jesus he saw that he was a sinner that needed to be rescued. Jesus was generous and gracious, forgiving him of his sin.

**Read:** Luke 19: 1-10

- Point out that Jesus forgave Zacchaeus even when the world felt he didn't deserve it.
- Point out that as a result, Zacchaeus wanted to be generous to others as God had been for him.

**Activity:** Create a giving tree. Let your child find a small branch and place it in a vase. Cut out pictures of things God has given them that they can freely give to others (food, toys, clothing, help carrying groceries, etc.). Hang the pictures from the tree and set it as a reminder to be generous with all God has given.

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## Week 2

Your child learned that God wants us to love Him more than we love money or anything else. The Rich Young Ruler reminds us that God is our greatest treasure and that he was generous in giving His life for us to spend forever with Him.

**Read:** Mark 10: 17-31

- Ask your child what would be the hardest thing for them to give away.
- Pray together and ask God to help you give freely and live like He is the greatest treasure.

**Activity:** Go through your child's toys with them. Talk with them about all of their toys and ask them to find at least one toy they no longer play with to give away to charity or a friend.

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## Week 3

Your child learned about the widow who gave everything that she had to the church. She loved God more than money and knew that everything she had belonged to God.

**Read:** Mark 12:41-44

- Talk about how the woman had so little yet gave all she had.
- Pray together thanking God for all He has given you and ask Him to show you ways to share what you have.

**Activity:** Sharing is a difficult concept for preschoolers, but one that they can learn. Practice sharing while playing games, eating, coloring, or having a tea party. Remind your child that giving freely includes sharing our time, talents, treasures, and His love and forgiveness.