

# The Faith-Filled Catholic Women's Bible Study Program

## Participant's Worksheet

Generosity

Insert F-1 through F-4

You can prepare for the discussions about the theme **Generosity** by thinking about how you might answer the following questions:

1. What does it mean to give out of our need not just out of our surplus?  
What would be an example of both?
2. Why is giving out of need so important?
3. Why is it that often, the people who are in most need are the most generous?  
Do I know a person who exhibits this behavior?

**Read 1 Samuel 25:2-43 - The story of Abigail (Page 302 OT).**

Has there been a time in my life when generosity brought about healing or reconciliation?

What other lessons does this story teach us?

Read **Romans 12:6-8, 25:2-43 (Page 231 NT).**

How is sharing our gifts and talents a form of generosity?

**Group Prayer** – My intentions for group prayer this week:

**Closing Prayer** – Bring a donation of one perishable food item to the group session this week.

**Leader:** *Dear friends, our generosity is a reflection of God's generosity to us. We end our session today by bringing forth a small token of our thanks to God and our recognition of the need for generous spirits in today's world. As we bring our items forward to place in the box or basket, let's each offer a simple prayer of thanksgiving to God. (After each member brings her item forward and says a spontaneous prayer of offering and/or thanksgiving, all respond, "We Thank You, Lord.")*

**My Personal Response in Generosity for this week** – Do something this week for someone you know that cannot possibly repay you. In the spirit of loving generosity, do it anonymously eliminating any worldly recognition or reward for your effort.

Other Scripture on **Generosity**:

Proverbs 14:21 (Page 720 OT) \* Proverbs 11:24-25 (Page 717 OT) \* Proverbs 28:27 (Page 737 OT)

2 Corinthians, Chapters 8 and 9 (Page 268 NT) \* 1 Timothy 6:18 (Page 319 NT)