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WELCOME & ENGAGE

- Spend time welcoming everyone as they arrive.
- Create an intentional environment.
- Watch the Ethos online experience.
- Sing, lean in, take notes, be vocal.

OVERVIEW

While we live on earth, we are called to freely invest our lives, talents, and money by being generous to others and being rich in good deeds. We do this because Heaven, not earth, is our home. We are just passing through, and any wealth we leave on earth will be useless to us when we die. But when we live generously and invest our resources to help other people get to heaven, we make an investment in eternity and lay up treasures in Heaven. The most important step is to first give our whole self to God – then the rest is easy.

As we view all that we do through the lens of eternity, we should act as a manager of what we have, rather than an owner, because all we have really belongs to God. Let us be intentional in our giving, even pre-deciding how much we give away of our lives and resources. While we may miss resources that we waste or lose throughout our lives, we will never miss what we invest in eternity. When we live with a heavenly perspective, we increase our capacity to make an eternal difference.

"He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the human Heart"
-Ecclesiastes 3:11-

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What difference does it make when you believe that everything you have really belongs to God? How does acting like a steward for God rather than an owner impact the way you handle your resources?
- 2. How can we guard ourselves from storing up treasures on this earth?
- 3. Share how you plan to ensure that what you have on earth is spent investing into Heaven. What are some key points within your plan, and explain how they help you give and live an intentional life that is making a kingdom impact? If you do not currently have a plan, discuss one thing you can do that will help you begin to live an intentionally generous life.

CLOSE IN PRAYER

Take a few minutes to pray corporately. Asking God to give you a greater awareness of what it means to live a life that leaves a legacy. For wisdom on how to live each day using the gifts that God has given you. And for grace to take what you have heard, learned, and discussed into your week.