

SERMON OUTLINE

GENEROUS IN CREATION

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PSALM 104

1. For _____

• God's _____

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2. For _____

3. For _____

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

FOR FAMILY, FRIENDS & GROUPS

Icebreaker: Your house is on fire (everyone's safe!) and you can grab three non-essential items on your way out. What do you save and why those things?

1. Why is the Advent Season a good time to do a sermon series on the generosity of God (multiple answers)?
2. What are God's Big Book and God's Little Book, and how do they differ? Which Book does Psalm 19:1-6 describe? Which Book does Psalm 19:7-11? Why is the Little Book so important if everyone already has the Big Book?
3. Read Psalm 104:1-4. What is so interesting about the focus of these verses that describe creation? With what does God clothe himself (v.2)? Recount from the sermon (or from a quick Google search) several amazing aspects of the sun. How do these point to the majesty of God?
4. Read Psalm 104:5-9. How does God demonstrate his power in these verses? Why is it important to you to know that your God is powerful? How does he display (and how has he displayed) his power in your life?
5. Read Psalm 104:10-15, 27, 28. What attribute of God is reflected in nature according to these verses? How does this description of God differ from that of the deists? If you held a deistic view of God, what impact would that have on your life?
6. Read Psalm 104:24 and Proverbs 3:19, 20. How does creation point to God's wisdom? Explain the Anthropic Principle and what bearing it might have on your view of God.
7. Read Psalm 104:16-22. Bible scholars believe that this psalm was written by King David. How did David experience what he describes in these verses?
8. Do you take the time to enjoy nature? Explain. If you were going to come up with a plan to spend more time savoring God's creation, what would your plan include? What currently keeps you from enjoying nature more? How might you overcome these obstacles?
9. Read Psalm 104:31-34 and Romans 1:20-22. How does King David's response to creation differ from those whom Paul describes in Romans 1? Why do you think so many hymns celebrate God's role in creation? What would you miss out on by neglecting this focus of worship?
10. Google the lyrics to the songs: "This Is My Father's World" and "So Will I." Read them out loud. How do the lyrics of these two songs inspire you?
11. What's your best takeaway from this sermon, and how will you apply it to your life?