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STUDY GUIDE



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Crossroads Family.

It is our greatest honor to serve you. As a body of believers, we have been faithful over the years to the biblical mandate Jesus has set before us. As a result, He has smiled upon us. We have experienced a series of record-breaking years in salvations, water baptisms, community engagement, growth, and discipleship. In 2021, we hosted approximately 600 people on our campus weekly. In 2024, we are hosting over 600 students from birth to 18 on our campus weekly!

God has given Crossroads a vision for the next two years to take our mission of "Love Christ and Serve People" to new heights. We are proclaiming Psalms 78:4: We're not keeping this to ourselves, we're passing it along to the next generation! We choose to have intentional relationships, authentic discipleship, and run after Jesus with our whole hearts. Together, we want to grow our community to truly know and deeply love Jesus, because He is the best thing that has ever happened to us. The vision is so big that it's going to take all of us to pull it off.

Generations is an all-in effort to make a deep and lasting impact. It's an opportunity to reach more people, impact more lives, and do more for His Kingdom. We want you to be a part in passing the love of Christ onto the next Generation!

We are praying for you. We love you and are very excited about what God will do in and through our Church as we impact the next Generation together. Thank you for being a part of what God is doing at Crossroads.

Blessings.

Matt and Holly Thrasher
Senior Leaders



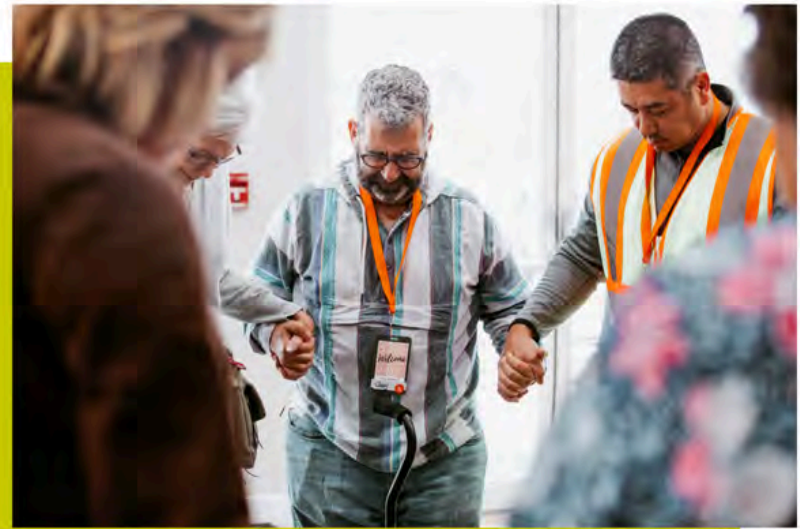


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LOVE CHRIST

We believe that Jesus is the best thing that has ever happened to us, and we want others to know Him as we do. The love of Christ is the center of Crossroads Church and everything that we do is for His glory.



SERVE PEOPLE

We are called to be the hands and feet of Jesus in all that we do, serving others by the example that Christ Himself gave us to follow - selfless love and servitude for one another for the glory of God.



THE



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VISION

Today. Tomorrow. Forever.



Engage Today

Although we look to the future, it is imperative that we engage today. We are blessed to see people coming to Christ each week at Crossroads and we thank God for allowing us to take part in His Kingdom. We all have a part to play in the growth of the Kingdom of God, and with your help we will continue to build the community Christ is bringing to Crossroads.

Pursue Tomorrow

As Crossroads continues to grow, we look to pursue tomorrow. Our current facility is thriving with souls, but we must look to a new solution to facilitate the Kingdom impact that is to come. Our community needs a place to grow, engage, and be discipled. It is our heart's desire to empower Christ followers, and we need space to do so.

Believe Forever

We believe that Crossroads will leave a lasting impact and shape the future of our community. We will construct a space that fosters community and accommodates our expanding family. Together, we will create a legacy of difference-makers that impacts generations to come - **FOREVER.**

ONE Vision ONE Fund

At Crossroads, we want to be a church that is all in and **GENERATIONS** is our unifying commitment (that everyone that gives is all in) for all ministries, missions, and projects. We are on a mission to Love Christ and Serve People. We are excited to introduce **GENERATIONS**, a single all-in giving initiative, to unify the generosity of everyone at Crossroads and to make a lasting impact for generations to come. On November 3rd, you will be invited to make a two-year all in commitment. We believe God will reveal to you the one number that will represent your total, radical, sacrificial generosity to the Kingdom over the next two years.

“But since you excel in everything – in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love we have kindled in you – see that you also excel in this grace of giving.” 2 Corinthians 8:7

“We're not keeping this to ourselves, we're passing it along to the next generation!”
Psalm 78:4

PRIMARY GOAL

Our primary goal is for 100% engagement in Generations from all that call Crossroads their home. Our vision for Generations is less about a financial transaction and more about a lasting transformation of the heart.

We believe that Crossroads will leave a lasting impact of positive change and shape the future of our community. As we take this journey of generosity together, we believe that every heart will be transformed to be more like Jesus!

SECONDARY GOAL

Our current space is thriving with souls, but it's time to take the next step. Our community needs a place to grow, engage, and be disciplined. Our two-year goal of \$9 million helps us pursue tomorrow, preparing for what God has next.

We will construct a space that fosters community and accommodates our expanding family of difference-makers.

THE GIVING LADDER

MOVING TO THE NEXT STEP IN GIVING



THIS IS SOMEONE WHO REALIZES THAT, ALTHOUGH THE TITHE IS THE MINIMUM THE BIBLE ASKS, GOD HAS PROMPTED AND ENABLED THEM TO GIVE MORE FOR THE KINGDOM.

THIS IS SOMEONE WHO HAS SEEN THE BLESSING THAT COMES WITH GIVING, AND IS READY TO COMMIT TO GIVING THE TITHE - 10% - THAT SCRIPTURE (MALACHI 3:10) ASKS OF BELIEVERS.

THIS IS SOMEONE READY TO BE MORE INTENTIONAL ABOUT THEIR GIVING, HAS MADE AN ASSESSMENT, AND DETERMINED TO START GIVING CONSISTENTLY.

THIS IS SOMEONE READY TO TAKE THE EXCITING FIRST STEP TOWARDS WORSHIPING AND GROWING THROUGH GIVING.

EVERYONE HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO IMPACT THE KINGDOM THROUGH PARTICIPATING IN GOD'S WORK AND SEEING THE GROWTH THAT COMES THROUGH GIVING.

Before beginning any journey you must identify two things: where you are and where you want to go.

The Giving Ladder is your guide to increasing your giving. Generosity happens one step at a time, like the rungs on a ladder.

2 YEAR



GIVING PROFILES

\$6 MILLION TO FUND THE VISION OF CROSSROADS

\$3 MILLION TO FUND THE EXPANSION OF CROSSROADS

\$ 9 MILLION TOTAL

NUMBER OF GIFTS

AMOUNT OF EACH GIFT

1	\$750,000
1	\$500,000
1	\$300,000
1	\$250,000
10	\$100,000
25	\$75,000
25	\$50,000
75	\$25,000
75	\$10,000
75	\$7,500
20	\$5,000
10	\$2,500
10	\$1,000

"I will not offer as a scarifice to the Lord my God offerings which cost me nothing." 2 Samuel 24:24

As you pray and discern how God would ask you to give during this time, ask God to inspire and challenge you towards greater generosity to fulfill the mission to:

Engage
TODAY

Pursue
TOMORROW

Believe
FOREVER



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STUDY NOTES

The life of Abraham:

Abraham was chosen by God to create an impact that would far surpass his own generation. During this five week study, we will discover together how Abraham's legacy was crafted through his radical faith and obedience to God. Each week we will see how the obedience of one person can change the lives of generations to come.

We encourage you to go all in during the next five weeks and allow God to speak to you in new ways through the life of Abraham.

To continue the discussion further, we encourage you to participate in a Life Group during this season. Each Life Group will dig deeper into the life of Abraham and have intimate conversations on the generational impact we all can bring.

If you miss a Sunday morning service, you can watch the recorded messages at www.crcbelton.com/generations.

Week One

ONE TRUTH: _____

NOTES: _____

KEY TAKEAWAY: _____

LIFE GROUP NOTES: _____

Week Two

ONE TRUTH: _____

NOTES: _____

KEY TAKEAWAY: _____

LIFE GROUP NOTES: _____

Week Three

ONE TRUTH: _____

NOTES: _____

KEY TAKEAWAY: _____

LIFE GROUP NOTES: _____

Week Four

ONE TRUTH: _____

NOTES: _____

KEY TAKEAWAY: _____

LIFE GROUP NOTES: _____

Week Five

ONE TRUTH: _____

NOTES: _____

KEY TAKEAWAY: _____

LIFE GROUP NOTES: _____

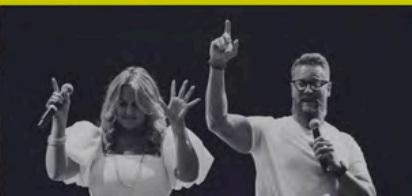


**IMPORTANT
DATES**



**NOVEMBER 3RD
COMMITMENT
SUNDAY**

**DECEMBER 8TH
BIG GIVE
SUNDAY**



FAQ

frequently asked questions

WHAT ARE YOU ASKING ME TO DO?

First and foremost, we are asking that you pray and seek God's leading on what He is asking of you. Prepare your heart to hear Him, and then listen to what He says.

Engage in a Life Group this season. Doing LIFE together is better! Make time to engage in personal reflection with God in this GENERATIONS Study Guide. Talk with your spouse, your family, or others about what this commitment will mean for this next exciting season of your life.

We are asking that you make a sacrificial commitment to radical generosity – whatever it is that God leads you to do. Follow His leading.

Finally, we ask that you prepare to be amazed. We serve an awesome God and He is going to show up in huge ways. We anticipate a huge impact from our collective GENERATIONS commitments.

Please mark your calendar for Commitment Sunday, November 3rd, and prepare to experience a life-changing worship service! We are trusting this will be a defining moment for our church and for our faith.

ARE THERE ADDITIONAL WAYS TO GIVE MORE TOWARDS GENERATIONS?

Be creative as you explore ways you and your family can give towards GENERATIONS. You might have stock, property, or other items of that nature. You may have some stored resources that God has blessed you with in the past that He may be calling you to give out of during this time.

Please let us know if you need assistance with facilitating gifts of property or stock, and we can assist you with that.

IF WE ARE COMMITTING TO GENERATIONS, HOW DOES THIS CHANGE MY GIVING TO THE GENERAL FUND OR KINGDOM BUILDERS?

During this two-year period, every contribution to God through Crossroads will be a contribution to our GENERATIONS Initiative. Every aspect of the ministry vision God is calling us to for the next two years will be funded through GENERATIONS. There will not be a separate giving fund. Every gift made will be counted towards GENERATIONS.

Therefore, every weekend becomes a time to celebrate and contribute towards what God is doing in us and through us to Engage, Pursue, and Believe!



WHAT ABOUT DESIGNATED GIFTS TO SPECIFIC MINISTRIES?

Gifts to a specific Crossroads ministry or initiative will count towards your GENERATIONS commitment.

WHAT IF I DON'T HAVE A JOB RIGHT NOW? WHAT DOES THAT MEAN FOR MY GENERATIONS COMMITMENT?

GENERATIONS is about your total, radical, sacrificial generosity to God's mission at Crossroads. We believe that God calls us to action in times of hardship just as much as He does in times of abundance, and that looks different for every person. For some this means a safe choice. For others it means a courageous choice.

We believe God will use GENERATIONS to bring about a heart change in many as they surrender their lives completely over to God in the area of giving. So that may mean that you are being challenged to sell things, to pick up odd jobs, or even to trust God in faith by making a commitment that you don't quite know how to fulfill right now, but that you believe God will provide for as you seek.

We would like everyone to be a part of GENERATIONS so that we can all be supporting, loving, encouraging, and praying for one another through this spiritually stretching season at Crossroads.

HOW LONG IS MY COMMITMENT?

We are asking that everyone make a two-year commitment, totaling 24 months.

The fulfillment period for your commitment will begin with our Big Give Sunday on December 1st, 2024 and will conclude in December 2026.

WHAT IF I HAVE NEVER GIVEN TO CROSSROADS BEFORE?

GENERATIONS was crafted specifically with you in mind. GENERATIONS is a "one fund" generosity initiative; it's different from a traditional capital campaign where you are called to give an extra gift above and beyond your normal giving.

GENERATIONS is a call to radical, sacrificial generosity for absolutely everyone at Crossroads. If you have never given before, this is your chance to get in the game with radical sacrifice.



Prayer Praise Reports

We would love to celebrate and hear about what God has done in and through you during the GENERATIONS series.

Please give a brief testimony about how God ministered to you, tear off the page, and give it to your Life Group host.

If you are willing to share your testimony for future event production, please sign your name.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

May we contact you regarding your testimony? Print your name, phone number, and email address.

Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Email Address: _____

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