



## **The Gift of Giving: An Audience of One**

**Luke 14:12-14 and Matthew 6:1-4**

Describe what it feels like to bless someone else by giving them a gift.

### **Delve Deep**

Read Matthew 6:1-4

-How should we give and practice our righteousness?

-What type of people does God want to reward?

Read Luke 14:12-14

-Who did Jesus say to invite to the banquet?

-What is the type of attitude that Jesus calls us to when it comes to doing good for others?

### **Application**

- 1) Some churches and individuals will do a good deed for a person or the community and will advertise this good deed on social media. How is this in direct conflict with the teachings of Jesus?
- 2) Charles Spurgeon said that we can't get a reward twice when we do a good deed. What do you think Spurgeon meant by this?
- 3) When we give to others and contribute money to the church's work, we should do so with the right motives. What is the proper motive for giving?
- 4) Discuss all the ways your money can help the poor.
- 5) Do not discuss this out loud. For the next few minutes spend some time in prayer asking God to search your heart and to help you have the right motives when it comes to giving.