

Sermon Title: **Generosity—the Implementation of Grace**

Sermon Text: 2 Corinthians 8:16-9:5

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Sermon Notes:

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Prayer Concerns:

Giving—an Investment that Brings Blessing to the Giver

Philippians 4:15-17

Proverbs 11:23-26

Malachi 3:10

Luke 6:37-38

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

In this week's message, Pastor Wade showed us how that being generous should become our first instinct—generosity should be ingrained in our character. Jesus told of a person like this in Mark 12:41-44. Who are the primary characters in this story?

Who did Jesus use as an example of sacrificial giving? How much did they give?

How could Jesus say that a person who gave less than a penny had given more than others who had given large amounts of money?

Sometimes, people who are poor think that their financial status excuses them from the responsibility of giving. What does this passage (Mark 12:41-44) teach that refutes that notion?

Read Hebrews 13:16. How does it make God feel when we give sacrificially?

Bible Reading: 2 Corinthians 1:1-2:11

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QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION FROM 2 CORINTHIANS 1:1-2:11

Why do believers suffer? What effect does suffering have in the lives of believers?

What did Paul mean by the word *comfort*? Does this idea seem important to Paul in this argument? Explain.

How effective did Paul think prayer was? What does he say in this passage to support your answer?

On a scale of 1-10, how effective do you think prayer is?

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10



A horizontal scale from 0 to 10. Above the scale are the numbers 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10. Below the scale is a row of 11 empty circles, each corresponding to a number on the scale.

Not at all

Extremely

Does your own life reflect the importance you place on prayer? Is there something you should do to change in this area? If so, what?