

SMALL GROUP LESSON

WHAT'S IN YOUR WALLET?

2 CORINTHIANS 9:6-8

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This Sunday the message is on stewardship and it is taken from Paul's second letter to the Corinthians. His words to the Christians in Corinth are an opportunity for us to consider our response to the needs of our church and the wider Christian community around the world.

1. Why was Paul taking up this offering? For what purpose was he asking the Christians in Corinth to be generous? In order to answer this question you may need to refer to the pastor's sermon or a commentary on this passage of Scripture. It may also be helpful to read what Paul is saying in chapters 8 and 9 of 2 Corinthians.
2. In verse 6 Paul describes a universal truth related to giving. He uses an agricultural example to drive home his point. What is this universal truth?
3. In verse 7 Paul describes three key principles about giving. What are these three principles and how do you think they influence our giving to the work of God's kingdom?
4. In verse 8 and indeed, continuing in verses 9-11, Paul talks about what God is willing to do for those who are generous in their giving. What kind of rewards can we expect from the Lord as a result of our generosity?
5. So, "what's in your wallet?" More importantly, to whom does that wallet really belong? Is it ours to keep or are we merely the stewards of what God has entrusted into our care?