Why Church? | Why Give?
2 Corinthians 9
January 26th, 2020

1| Read 2 Corinthians 9:6-9
Paul begins this portion of scripture with a farming principle; that in order to have a bountiful harvest, you must spread a lot of seeds in the field. Then he tells us that we should do it cheerfully, with joy in our hearts. Have you ever given grudgingly, thinking of the things you could have purchased with that money? Why is that wrong and whose money is it anyhow?

2| Read Malachi 3:8-12
Please don't share your tithe record with each other, but have you tested the Lord in the area of tithes and offerings? If so please share with each other the results or fruit that has come from it.

3| What's the difference between a tithe and an offering? Ten percent: should that be our end goal or just a starting point? Name some faithful organizations that you have offered to in the past.

4| Read 2 Corinthians 9:10-15
One of the things we learn here is that God always replenishes the generosity of His children and that His purposes are always accomplished. What are some of the purposes that your giving has accomplished here at 4|12 Church? What would you say is the most important purpose that our giving accomplishes?

5| Pastor Tom told a story about five guys on a sinking life raft. On one side, two of them are bailing out water like crazy. The three on the other side are watching, thankful that the hole is not on their side of the boat. Whichever side of the raft you're on, would you commit to an extra $20 a month?