

Week 3 Discussion Guide

Reviewing the Message

Sunday's message talked about Paul's teaching in 2 Corinthians 9:6-15 and what it reveals about God's purpose for abundance. These questions will help us recall the main ideas and key themes from the message.

- 1. What stood out to you most from the explanation of the Corinthian church and their situation?
- 2. How did the message describe the difference between a "barrel" and a "hose," and what does that illustration mean?
- 3. What is one of the five key thoughts Paul gives about the meaning of "more"?
- 4. How did the message explain the principle of sowing and reaping in the context of generosity?
- 5. What does Scripture say happens when we give freely and cheerfully?

Connecting to the Message

Sunday's message talked about how God's abundance shows up in our everyday circumstances and how we often overlook his blessings. Let's reflect on how the message connects to our own experiences and perspectives.

- 6. In what ways do you see evidence of God's abundance in your daily life things you may overlook or take for granted?
- 7. Which part of the message challenged your personal view of generosity the most, and why?
- 8. How do you think modern comfort and convenience impact our awareness of God's blessings?
- 9. What attitudes such as fear, pressure, guilt, or reluctance can get in the way of cheerful giving in your life?
- 10. How does the idea that generosity is both worship and witness resonate with your experience of following Jesus?

Applying the Message

Sunday's message talked about becoming a vessel God can work through and allowing his abundance to flow into the needs around us. These questions are designed to help us consider practical steps God may be inviting us to take.

- 11. What is one area of your life where you sense God calling you to "sow more generously"?
- 12. What shifts could help you live more like a hose rather than a barrel this week?
- 13. How can you prepare your heart to give cheerfully rather than reluctantly?
- 14. What person, need, or opportunity might God be placing in front of you to bless in a tangible way?
- 15. What specific action will you take this week to put generosity into practice based on what God was saying to you through Sunday's message?