

LIFT

TOGETHER

GRACE > GRAVITY

CHRIST CHURCH 

● GROUP DISCUSSION

PREPARE

A. Pray this week's focus Scripture TOGETHER | 1 Timothy 6:17–19.

Lord Jesus compared to 99% of the world we are rich. May this act of blessing and grace from You inspire us, TOGETHER, to be generous far and wide so we may truly live a life that is good as viewed by You.

B. Share how you completed the journaling prompt at the end of this weekend's worship service.

C. Ice breaker question | Who is the most generous person you know? Describe what they are like and what inspires you?

RECEIVE

Slowly and prayerfully have different people read Luke 12:13–21, 2 Corinthians 8:1–9, 2 Corinthians 9:6–15 and 1 Timothy 6:17–19.

Begin and end each reading with a few moments of silence. In the silence, ask the Holy Spirit to guide you, TOGETHER, into knowing and living what you are to receive from these passages of Scripture.

REFLECT

1. What types of greed do you see around you?

2. According to the parable of Jesus, what should the man have done with his surplus? What would have been the result of him doing so?

3. When in our lives do we do the same as what we read in Luke 12:18–19?

4. When do these types of actions become a concern to God?

5. What parts of the parable in Luke 12 make you uncomfortable?

6. Why was Paul so inspired by the Macedonian churches? Be specific and reflect on the adjectives and verbs. (2 Cor. 8:1–9)

7. Taking those specific reasons, compare and contrast with your life. What do you discover?

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8. What does it mean to give yourself first to the Lord? (2 Cor. 8:5)

9. Why is it important to God that you be a cheerful giver, not a duty-bound or guilt-driven giver? As long as you give, why does your attitude matter?

10. Who is the cause and what is the result of us being rich toward God? (2 Cor. 9:10–11)

RESPOND TOGETHER

- Take five minutes each day this week to memorize 2 Corinthians 9:6–8.
Remember this—a farmer who plants only a few seeds will get a small crop. But the one who plants generously will get a generous crop. You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. "For God loves a person who gives cheerfully." And God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others.
- Throughout this week, text one another parts of 1 Timothy 6:17–19, as a way to prayerfully, encourage living the good life from God's perspective.

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