

# Leader Conversation Guide - XXVII - 2 Corinthians: Living a Generous Life

#### Main Idea

This week Pastor Curt continued our XXVII series with a message from 2 Corinthians on generosity. Every day we live is a gift from God, and an opportunity to take of the blessings He has given us, and give back to Him and to others. Let's take a look at how we can live more generously.

# The world of the generous gets larger and larger; the world of the stingy gets smaller and smaller.

PROVERBS II:24

### Make It Practical: 5 Keys to Living a Generous Life

- Give Cheerfully
  - 2 Corinthians 9:7 "...God loves a cheerful giver."
- Give Selflessly
  - "If one first give to the Lord, all other giving is easy." John Bonnell
  - 2 Corinthians 9:15 "Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!"
- Give Willingly
  - 2 Corinthians 8:12 "If the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable..."
- Give Intentionally
  - 2 Corinthians 9:7 "You must each <u>decide</u> in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure."
  - Intentionally give my...
    - Time
    - Talent
    - Touch
    - Treasure
- Give Thankfully
  - Psalm 116:12 "How can I repay the Lord for all His goodness to me?"

#### **Talk About It**

- What part of this message impacted you most?
- Where do you need to be more intentional in your giving? (Time, Talent, Touch, Treasure)
- What has God given you an abundance of, for you yourself to give away?

# "The value of my life isn't determined by how much I achieve or accumulate but how much of my life I give away."

# **Prayer**

Father, thank You the blessings You have given to me. Help me to give also of myself in a way that glorifies and points others to You. May the gifts I have been given be used to praise You for Your goodness and faithfulness in my life. Holy Spirit, reveal to me where I need to be more generous in my life, whether through my time, talent, touch or treasure. May my life be a life that lives generously in all things. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

## **Leader Tip**

Remind Group Members about our Serve Team Opportunities. What needs does your Location have most and do you know of anyone suited to fill them?