

OUR
GIVING
GOD

Living Generously
2 Corinthians 8:9, 9:6-15
Sunday, December 27, 2020

3. Live generously because God loves a _____
_____. (9:7)

4. Live generously because we can't _____ - _____ God.
(9:8-11)

5. Live generously because it meets _____ and produces
_____ to God. (9:12-13)

6. Live generously because it expresses our own _____
to and _____ of the Gospel. (9:13-15)

We too often think of generosity in terms of just money. That's too reductionistic and easy. Our Giving God calls His people to LIVE generously. We close out "Our Giving God" series with a look a look at how the Apostle Paul challenges the Corinthians and us to generous living.

1. Live generously because Jesus became _____ to make us
_____ in Him. (8:9)

2. Live generously because we always _____ what we _____.
(9:6)

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Growth Groups are the glue that holds our church together, the way we find and follow Jesus together. If you are not involved in a Growth Group, now is the time to jump in at gracecentralcoast.org.

This year, our aim is to see our Growth Groups embody our 3-fold identity as followers of Jesus: Family, Servant, and Missionary. To that end, we're framing our Growth Group Interaction Guide to help groups move in that direction.

During the COVID-19 crisis our groups are meeting live and virtually using Zoom and other online platforms.

CONNECT *(ask these questions to check-in with your group)*

As we look to the New Year, do you make resolutions or goals? Why or why not? If you do, how do you approach that? Explain your process.

DISCUSS *(use some of these questions to process God's word together)*

1. Read 2 Corinthians 8:9, and 9:6-15 again. How did you "come under" God's Word in the text/message this week? What was new, fresh or challenging this week?
2. Explain the impact of our \$100 generosity exercise in your own life.
3. What does it mean to be "generous in heart" and how does it include way more than generosity with our money?

4. Which of the "6 motivations for generous living" in the message was most helpful to you? Why?

5. As you think about living more generously in 2021, how will you do that? What do you have that you can share more of with others?

PRAY

- Pray for those suffering through this Covid-19 pandemic and pray for it to end soon.
- Pray for the ongoing conversation around and practice of generosity in the family of Grace Central Coast.
- Share and pray for one another's needs.