

**Gospel Partnership**  
**Radical Generosity**  
**2 Corinthians 8:1-17**

**TALK IT OVER**

**Parallel Scripture**

<sup>43</sup> And he called his disciples to him and said to them, “Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. <sup>44</sup> For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on.”

*Mark 12:43-44 ESV*

<sup>7</sup> “If among you, one of your brothers should become poor, in any of your towns within your land that the Lord your God is giving you, you shall not harden your heart or shut your hand against your poor brother, <sup>8</sup> but you shall open your hand to him and lend him sufficient for his need, whatever it may be.

*Deuteronomy 15:7-8*

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**Start Talking: Find a conversation starter for your group. (15 Min)**

- Can you think of a time when you saw someone give an extremely generous give? How did you feel about it?
- Was there ever a time someone showed you great generosity? What was that like for you?

**Head: Start Thinking. Ask a question to get your group thinking. (10 Min)**

- What’s one thing from last weekend’s sermon that you hope we talk about as a group?
- Read 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 8:1-17. Whose generosity was Paul boasting about? And why?
- How was Christ generous to us first?
- Why doesn’t Paul want to command the Corinthians to give?

**Heart: Start Sharing. Choose a question to create openness. (10 Min)**

- Why is it important to take care of our brothers and sisters in Christ? Why is it our responsibility?
- What would it look like to give out of your poverty? (refer to Mark 12:41-44)
- Is it more important to give from a willing heart? Or just to give?

**Hands: Start Doing. Commit to a step and live it out this week. (10 Min)**

- What will you do to be more generous moving forward?
- Want to make giving simpler? Visit the St. Johns Denver app or the Renewal app, and sign up for monthly giving.

**Start Praying. Be bold and pray with power. (15 Min)**

- For suggestions on structuring prayer time, see the *Group Prayer Ideas* page in this packet.

**Trios: Split into same-gender groups of three. (15 Min)**

1. What’s a passage of scripture that has impacted you this week? Read it to the group and explain why.
2. Is there anything God is leading you to repent of?
3. How’s your weekly 3-2-1 challenge going? (*3 Conversations with New People, Learn 2 Names, Make 1 Meaningful Connection*)
4. Who is one non-believer that you need to reach out to this week?
5. What’s something you’d like someone else to check in with you about this week?
6. Pray for one another.