

II CORINTHIANS



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READ

Read 2 Corinthians 9:1-15 and consider what lessons the Holy Spirit intends us to learn.

EXAMINE

- Summarize the context of v.1-5.
- What is the purpose of the maxim in v.6, that “whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully”?
- Paul quotes Psalm 112:9 in v.9. How does this advance the argument he’s making?
- What truths about God are highlighted in this passage, and how does his character relate to the practice of generosity?
- For what purpose does God enrich the Corinthians in every way for them to be generous in every way (v.11-15)?

APPLY

- Based on this passage, how does our approach to our finances reveal our beliefs about God?
- Does v.7 mean that Christians who don’t feel like being generous are exempt from this responsibility? Why or why not? What should a Christian if they do not desire to be generous?
- V.11 is a promise that God will sustain his people, not a blanket guarantee of material prosperity and wealth. How should we live in light of this reality?
- How can your ongoing generosity be a significant part of your growth as a disciple of Jesus? How does the practice help you love God, love people, and impact the world more?
- What are some practical ways we can rebel against materialism as a community for the sake of funding gospel ministry and supporting the church?

PRAY

- Pray together that God would reveal to each of you some potential next steps for growing in your generosity. Ask God to keep his glory and mission at the forefront of your mind, and that he would transform your heart more and more to align with his. As appropriate, take time to share with someone in the coming week what God is revealing to you for the sake of encouragement, prayer, and accountability.

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