

## Sermon Notes

### “Month of Vision #3 – Generosity Sunday”

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2 Corinthians 9:6-15

Mark 6:30-44

- Vision is critical – it reminds you of where you are going – Habakkuk 2:2
- The Vision of Shiloh United Methodist Church is to seek and share God’s gift of oneness.
- Oneness – People who are different, focusing on the main thing – John 17:20-23.
  - o We are parts of the body – 1 Corinthians 12:14-26
  - o John Wesley – Though we cannot think alike, may we not love alike?
- Seeking and Sharing – Luke 3:8a – “bear the fruits worthy of repentance...”
  - o 1 Corinthians 12:31 – I will show you a still more excellent way.
- Becoming people who are generous.
  - o James 2:14-17 – “So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.”
  - o The feeding of the 5,000 (plus women and children., i.e. 10,000 or more)
    - Disciples get bold – send them away.
    - Jesus – you feed them.
    - Disciples – it’s too much money!
    - Jesus – what do you have?
    - In the end – 12 extra basketfuls.

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- o Grandma Daisy
  - Grew up in the Great Depression
  - Christmas Club
  - When focused on a vision, anyone can be generous!
- o 2 Corinthians 9
  - Verse 5 – do what you promised!
  - Verse 7 – God loves a cheerful giver.
  - Verse 6 – Sow bountifully will reap bountifully.
- o 2026 Shiloh Estimate of Giving Card
  - Prayers
  - Presence
  - Gifts
  - Service
  - Witness