



COMMUNITY Groups

April 9th, 2017: GREATER THAN MONEY

OPENING

- What did you think of this week's message? What stood out to you? What challenged you?
- What is the greatest gift that you have ever received? What made it so special?

DISCUSS & APPLY

Read 2 Corinthians 9:6-11

- Ryan said, "When you give, what you gain is greater than what you could have kept." What do you think he meant? Do you agree?
- How does the agricultural principle in v.6 apply to our spiritual lives? What exactly are we sowing and reaping?
 - In v.11, does Paul mean that we will become materially rich if we are generous?
- According to these verses, what should our motivation for giving be? What are some differences between a cheerful giver and a reluctant giver?
 - What should you do if you don't want to give?
- In verses 8 and 11, Paul says that God gives us all we need to abound in every good work. What are some implications of this reality? What does it say about God and his grace? What does it mean for our good works?
- What are some beliefs we hold that make it challenging for us to be generous with our possessions, money, time, and energy?
 - How do these beliefs contradict the gospel?
 - What holds you back from being a generous and cheerful giver?

FINAL APPLICATION

What has God already given you (and not just material goods) that he might want you to use for good works? What would it look like for you to put them to use?

PRAY

Splitting up by men and women, give everyone a chance to touch again on what might be holding them back from being a more generous and cheerful giver. Pray for God's grace to release each of us from the fears and idols in our lives, and to release us to have a greater impact in his Kingdom.