

Group Study Guide

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Look Up for Equity

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MESSAGE NOTES:

2 Corinthians 8:1-24

1. The greatest treasure is available because of Jesus' poverty.
2. Christmas compels equity.
3. Christmas compels generosity.
4. Christmas compels trust.

STUDY GUIDE:

STEP ONE: Icebreaker (Optional):

- What is the best gift you have ever given/received?

STEP TWO: Prayer & Scripture Reading:

- Ask someone in your group to pray to open your time together.
- Ask another person to read **2 Corinthians 8:1-24**.

STEP THREE: Discuss Questions:

1. What was challenging, encouraging, confusing, or stood out most to you from this past weekend's teaching?
2. What did Paul mean by, "...the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches." in verse 1?
3. What do you notice about their attitude in giving? What can we learn from them about true giving?
4. What does verse 5 mean, "...They gave themselves first of all to the Lord, and then by the will of God also to us."?
5. How can you develop a spirit of joy when giving?
6. If you find it difficult to give generously and sacrificially, how can you improve?
7. How should you approach giving when you feel you don't have a lot to give?

STEP FOUR: Prayer

- Ask someone in your group to close in Prayer.