

# ENJOYING G O D

## Giving 2 Corinthians 9:6-7

This guide is intended to help you be better prepared to engage in making disciples in your small group. They are based off of the Sunday sermon listed in the top right corner. If you missed Sunday, make sure you take the time to listen to the sermon before your small group meeting. You can find the messages on our website.

Prayerfully considering these questions will help equip you to practice mutual ministry with your family at Vertical. While it's not likely that all of these questions will be asked during your small group meeting, we believe that your personal walk with Christ will be strengthened as you meditate upon the truths that God is teaching you through His Word.

1. How would you have described your giving prior to hearing the message? Now, knowing it can only be characterized as sparingly or bountifully, which is it?
2. If you live in the USA, God's material generosity with you is indisputable. In what ways have you experienced the generosity of God? Does your giving reflect the character of God? Are there other aspects of God's character that can be displayed in the way you handle money?
3. Have you made an intentional decision of what your financial giving will look like? If yes, share your decisions with the group. If not, what are your next steps?
4. Do you think of giving as an **opportunity** to join God in doing His work? How can you grow in this area?
5. In addition to the verses Joe shared, what are some additional verses that can remind us of God's promises of provision for His people?
6. Paul Tripp says "Money will reveal what rules your heart because money has the unique ability to fund what is important to you." What do your finances say about what is ruling your heart? What heart desires are your finances funding?
7. Do you find increasing joy in giving? How do you grow in cheerfulness?
8. Does your spending accurately reflect your love for the Lord? Why or why not?
9. In what ways is the way you think about money unbiblical? What truths need to displace your incorrect thinking?
10. Discuss how the world's philosophies make you the owner of money in contrast to the biblical concept of manager.