

DISCUSSION GUIDE

These questions are designed to help groups discuss this weekend's sermon while building relationships with each other and applying God's Word to our lives.

Week of September 14, 2025

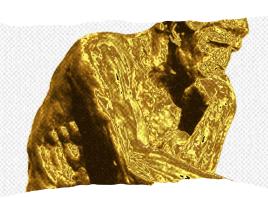
GETTING STARTED

- When have you experienced someone being unexpectedly generous toward you? How did it shape your view of God or people?
- Gabby contrasted a "market economy" (transactional, scarcity-based) with a "gift economy" (generous, abundance-based). Which way of living feels more natural to you—and why?

DIGGING INTO SCRIPTURE

- Read **2 Corinthians 9:6–7** aloud. Pause for 30 seconds of silence before discussing.
- Paul describes sowing sparingly versus sowing generously. What does this imagery of farming teach us about generosity and faith?
- How does the agrarian context (sowing seed in trust of future harvest) deepen your understanding of what Paul means here?
- Gabby said, "Generosity is never subtraction—it's participation in God's abundance."
 Where do you see that truth in this passage?
- Read 2 Corinthians 9:8–11 aloud. According to verse 8, what is the relationship between God's provision and our participation in "every good work"?

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HONEST REFLECTION

- Gabby shared how generosity in her life often came with risk, like muscles that had to be stretched. Where in your life do you feel God asking you to take a risk in trust or generosity?
- She also said, "Every seed sown in God's Kingdom is never wasted." How does that statement encourage you—or challenge you?
- What "tight-fisted" posture might be keeping you from seeing God show up in provision or iov?
- How have you seen generosity—yours or someone else's—lead to thanksgiving to God?

APPLICATION

- Which of Gabby's three practices do you need most right now?
 - Pray for what you need.
 - Pray for what to give.
 - Freely give and freely receive.
- How could your group practice "a gift economy" together this week in a practical way?

PRAYER FOCUS

- Spend a moment asking the Spirit: "What do I need to let go of so I can trust You more fully?"
- Pray for a heart that reflects God's character—joyful, open, and generous.
- Pray that your group would live not by fear of scarcity, but in trust of God's abundance.

Next week: Read 2 Corinthians 9:8-11 in advance for the final week in our series!

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