

Sermon Questions

May 4, 2025 / Scripture: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9 (*Grace abounds through us*)

Pre-study: 3 things from the sermon. *Note down 3 ideas, illustrations, quotes, or points that made an impression in the sermon.*

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Core Questions

- 1. How does this passage encourage us to be "pipes" funneling God's grace into the world and not "buckets" hoarding our gifts for ourselves?
- 2. In verse 5, Paul says the Macedonians first gave themselves to the Lord. Why do you think that came before their financial giving?
- 3. Generosity is contagious. Share stories with your group of generous people in your life.

Inward Grace in Action

4. Discuss your heart posture towards giving with your group. Do you always feel enthusiastic about giving of your time, talent, and treasure?

Outward Grace in Action

5. Look at verse 9. How is Christ's generosity motivation to generously give so that others may know him?

WORSHIP THROUGHOUT THE WEEK

Reflect on these Scriptures: Psalm 112 Matthew 25:14-40 Luke 10:25-37 Luke 15:11-32 Acts 4 Acts 16

Serve: Consider serving as a volunteer at VBS. Go to https://mcleanpres.org/serve/vb s-adult-volunteers/ for more information.

Pray: Pray that the Lord would provide opportunities for generosity and that you would respond enthusiastically.

1 John 3:16-18

By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.