

IMPACT GROUP QUESTIONS

KEY PASSAGE: MARK 12:41-44, 2 CORINTHIANS 9:10-12

Opening: What truths impacted you most from the sermon/passage?

INFORM THE HEAD / STIR THE HEART

1. Why do you think giving can be such a hard topic to talk about?

2. From Mark 12:41-44 –

a. In the previous verses, Jesus taught that the greatest commandments were to love the Lord and love others...and He showed that the scribes were wrongly focused on loving themselves over the Lord and others. What kind of love does this example of the widow display? What kind of love do the offerings of the others display?

b. Why would our giving be linked to our love for the Lord?

c. What are practical reasons for giving? How would giving to practical need be an act of worship, and how would it not?

d. Why do you think Jesus doesn't give a command for how much money we should give? What really matters to Him?

3. From 2 Corinthians 9:10-12 –

a. Why do you think Paul ties our “seed for sowing” to increasing our “righteousness” instead of our wealth?

b. According to vs. 11, what is God’s purpose for providing for us? How is that different from “The American Dream”?

c. What evidence do you see of God’s love for us in this passage?

d. What evidence do you see of our call to love God and love others in this passage?

CHALLENGE THE WILL

Based on what you learned from the study, or read in the passage, what actions/focus do you need to pursue in order to draw closer to the Lord (i.e. True worship gives sacrificially; True worship gives thankfully and generously)?

WEEKLY READING PLAN

Monday, August 31 // 2 Corinthians 8:1-15

The privilege of generosity

Tuesday, September 1 // 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

Give from the heart

Wednesday, September 2 // Exodus 35:1-29

Let worship stir your heart

Thursday, September 3 // 1 Chronicles 29:1-18

Offer freely from a heart of worship

Friday, September 4 // 1 Timothy 1:1-7

Message: Sound Doctrine