

ABC's of Financial Freedom - Choice

Week 3- Discussion Guide



Icebreaker

If you suddenly received an unexpected \$10,000 today, what would you do with it? Why?

Read

Take turns reading 2 Corinthians 9:6-11

Discuss

The passage begins by comparing giving to a farmer planting seeds – plant a few seeds, get a small crop; plant generously, get a generous crop (v. 6).

- **How have you seen this principle of “sowing and reaping” play out in your own life both financially and even in other areas such as relationships?**

A giving and cheerful attitude is more important than the actual amount given (v. 7). If you can only give a small amount you shouldn't be embarrassed. God is concerned about how you give from your resources (Mark 12:41-44).

- **Do you have a difficult time letting go of your money?**
- **Why do you think it's so important that giving comes from a personal decision and a cheerful heart, rather than reluctantly or under pressure?**

Sometimes we worry about giving generously to God because we worry that we will not have enough to live on. Paul assures us in verses 8-11 that God will provide all that we need with plenty to share if we are giving with a cheerful heart. He blesses us to be a blessing.

- **What is the difference between God providing “all you need” and “all you want”?**
- **Where do you see yourself clinging to financial security instead of trusting God's provision?**
- **What are some practical ways you could begin shifting more of your financial “investments” toward things with eternal impact?**

Application

We need to move from just talking about generosity to actually practicing it. We need to make the choice to honor God with what He has given us.

- **What might it look like to give in a way that requires faith, not just comfort?**
- **What's one step of generosity you could take this week that would stretch your faith and not just fit into your comfort zone?**

Prayer

Spend time in prayer thanking God for His provision in your life and asking Him to help you move from simply talking about generosity to actively practicing it.