

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

Read the main passage from the sermon and the sermon outline.
Discuss the following:

1. What is the big idea of the passage? (Consider what you would share with someone who didn't hear the sermon.)
2. What does it teach you about God?
3. What does it teach you about people and yourself?
4. How do you think God wants you to respond to this passage (e.g., change, believe)?
5. From this passage, what about the Lord could be attractive to those who don't know Him? Who will you share Jesus with this week?

- I. Why do disciples give?
 - A. God's **grace** is at work in them. II Cor 8:1, 6-8
 - B. **God** is a giver. II Cor 8:9; 9:15; Jn 3:16; Eph 1:6; Rom 8:32; Mt 10:7-9
 - C. Giving is a **joy**. II Cor 8:2, 4; Acts 20:35
 - D. They trust God to **provide**. II Cor 9:8
 - E. God **blesses** givers. II Cor 9:6, 10-11; Lk 6:38-39
 - F. **Discipleship** calls for it. II Cor 8:7; Mt 6:19-21
 - G. Giving is an act of **worship**. II Cor 8:5, 9:12
- II. How do disciples give?
 - A. **Proportionately** II Cor 8:3, 12
 - B. **Sacrificially** II Cor 8:3; Mk 12:42-44
 - C. **Intentionally** II Cor 9:7
 - D. **Voluntarily** II Cor 8:3, 8; 9:5, 7
- III. What does generous giving produce?
 - A. Spiritual **blessing** II Cor 9:10-11
 - B. Ability to **give more** II Cor 9:8-11
 - C. **Glory** and **thanksgiving** to God II Cor 9:11b-13
 - D. Bonds of **love** II Cor 9:14