

Abundant Generosity

"God loves a cheerful giver."

— 2 Cor 6:7c

Sermon Questions

1. What are some other examples from church history, or Scripture, of generosity?

2. What was the first aspect noted of the church's abundant generosity?
 - i. A proportional commitment to give in relation to what has been received.
 - ii. A general commitment of certain personal goods to the good of the church.
 - iii. A complete consignment of all possessions to the purposes of the kingdom.
3. Because of our modern context, the church's commitment to giving should be reduced (Yes/No).
4. Abundant generosity is _____ in its _____.
5. This passage in Acts does not support Christian socialism (Yes/No).
6. This abundant generosity was in direct _____ to the _____.
7. The rich have a particularly special stewardship from God in caring for the church (Yes/No).
8. Abundant generosity _____ from _____.
9. Abundant generosity _____ great workings of the _____ _____.

Application

10. Where do our _____ lie?
11. We must _____ one another.
12. We must love _____ _____.
13. Give, and give _____.

Discussion/Meditation Questions

1. Share an encouraging example of generosity from Scripture or from church history with others at the fellowship lunch. What do you find particularly powerful about the story?
2. How do we balance biblical generosity in our own day and the historic context of the early church? What should generosity look like today? Do you think the church struggles in this area?
3. How does the generosity of the early church challenge you? Would you call yourself a generous Christian? What do you need to begin doing to grow in this area?
4. What was your most significant take-away from this passage and sermon? Share this with another brother or sister in the fellowship.

Extras for the Children

What song did you enjoy the most today? _____

What did you learn about God today? _____

What words did you not know today? _____

