

# FROM THE HEART (WEEK 5)

May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026

## MESSAGE RECAP

This week's message from 2 Corinthians 8:1–9 focused on how true generosity flows from a transformed heart. Paul points to the Macedonian church as an example of people who gave joyfully and sacrificially, even while facing poverty and hardship themselves. We are challenged to see generosity as living open-handedly with everything God has given us. Ultimately, Jesus gave everything for us. His generosity on the cross becomes the model and motivation for our own giving. The question for all of us is not simply “How much do I give?” but “How can Jesus change my grip on what I have?”.

## GROUP DISCUSSION

1. Read 2 Corinthians 8:1-5 together.
  - a. What stands out to you about the Macedonians church's generosity?
  - b. What does this teach us about the connection between joy and giving?
2. Kingdom problems need kingdom people with kingdom answers.
  - a. What are some “kingdom needs” you see around you?
  - b. How might God be asking you to respond?
3. Read 2 Corinthians 8:6-8 together.
  - a. Why do you think generosity can sometimes be harder to grow than other areas of faith?
4. Have you ever experienced joy or freedom through giving?
5. Read 2 Corinthians 8:9.
  - a. How does Jesus becoming “poor” for our sake reshape the way we think about generosity?
  - b. What does this verse teach us about the heart of Jesus?

*End your group time in prayer.*