CHRISTIAN GENEROSITY

2 Corinthians 9:6–15

Key Verse: 9:13

1. In verses 5–13 how many times are the words “generous” or “generosity” repeated? (see also 8:2) Why would someone “sow sparingly”? When we give, why should we be generous? (6) What else does Paul say about how we should give, and why? (7)
2. To be generous, what do we need to believe? (8) What Scripture does Paul quote to support this? (9) How does God help farmers, and how does it illustrate what he will do for us? (10) How does Paul explain what he means? (11a) What does it mean to be “generous on every occasion”? What impact does such a life have? (11b)
3. What broader impact did Paul see the Corinthians’ service would have? (12) For what two reasons would people praise God for them? (13) What does it mean to confess the gospel of Christ? When we do, what should we be obeying also? (Lk6:38; 1Ti6:18; Heb13:16) Why is generosity such an important fruit of Christian faith?
4. How would their giving impact others’ prayers for them? (14) What is God’s “indescribable gift”? (15; Jn3:16; Ro6:23) Why does Paul conclude this section on giving by saying this?