



*Week of November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016*

### Key Scripture:

#### **Galatians 6:8–10 (ESV)**

<sup>8</sup> For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. <sup>9</sup> And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. <sup>10</sup> So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

#### **1 Timothy 6:17–19 (ESV)**

<sup>17</sup> As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. <sup>18</sup> They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, <sup>19</sup> thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

#### **Proverbs 22:7 (ESV)**

<sup>7</sup> The rich rules over the poor,  
and the borrower is the slave of the lender.

### Discussion Questions:

**In your life who has showed the best example of being a generous person? What made them that way?**

Paul used the word “seed” in reference to all of our own finances. The other things he mentioned in the slides were: “bread”, tithe, savings, giving & debt. **From Sunday can you explain how they all interact?**

Paul said on Sunday that “we do not give to get”. **So, what is the proper Christian motivation to be generous?** In 1 Corinthians 9:6-7 & Galatians 6:8 it talks about sowing and reaping. **Since we are not preaching a prosperity gospel how does this work?**

In 1 Timothy 6:17-19 it says that we should be “*ready to share*”. **What practical things can we do to always be ready? What would it feel like to be someone who could always give?**

**What different things were we encouraged to sow into on Sunday? How have you felt the effects of others generosity to you?**

Proverbs 15:12 & 12:15 encourages us to seek out advice. **Do you have someone in your life that you can seek Godly financial advice from?**

Read 1 Timothy 6:6-10. **Do you see a parallel between these verse and the culture of debt today and how it ensnares people? How would you define what true Christian contentment is? How can we practice to be more content?**

On Sunday Paul said: “*the enemy wants us to 1) think all the seed it ours; 2) to eat all the seed ourselves; and 3) to trick us into debt*”. **How do these three things work together to take away our ability to live generously?**

**If you could see yourself in 5 years how would you like live out this message on generosity? What in your life can you start doing now to get you there?**

**Why does living biblically within our finances deepen our relationship with God?**