

Lavish

≈ Is giving good for me? ≈

We all know people we would describe as generous by nature ... People whose generosity makes them give. But what if we've got that backwards? What if choosing to give makes them generous people? Actually shapes who they are? Who would we all be 10 years from now if we chose to give generously? Who would we be if we didn't?

- Open with prayer.
- If your groups is new, give everyone time to introduce themselves.

CONVERSATION STARTERS

What's one thing you're looking forward to in the future? Share something new or a highlight from this past week.

REVIEW

Together, open your Bibles and read from **2 Corinthians 8:1-9**.

- Share your favourite points from the weekend sermon. What spoke to you? Share a phrase or moment that you related to the most, or a question you may have from the weekend.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What grabbed your attention after reading 2 Corinthians 8:1-9?
- What is your current understanding of generosity?
- Re-read verse 2 and discuss what an attitude of joy overflowing in rich generosity might look like today.
- What do you think it means that they gave according to their means and beyond their means as mentioned in verse 3?
- What are the five areas where the Corinthians excel and what do you think these mean? Why is verse 8 significant?
- Ask God to give you a picture of how He sees your life. How does this compare to the way you see it?
- Where in the Scripture do you see Jesus - Christ-like practices, examples, principles?
- How do these verses apply to your life? What will you do about it?

PRAISE & PRAYER POINTS

Share what God is doing in your life and spend some time praying for each other's prayer requests.