

GROWTH GROUP

Study Guide

2 Cor. 8:8-15 – Loving Faithfulness Exhorted not Extorted

My Story

1. If you had 1 million dollars to give away, who would you give it to? Why?

Digging Deeper

2. Why is the topic of financial “giving” so difficult/uncomfortable for Christians to talk about?
3. Why is it sometimes hard to finish what we’ve started or to complete what we’ve committed to do? What is the value in seeing something through to completion?

4. Paul points to Jesus as an example of sacrificial giving in v.9 (see also Phil. 2:5-11). What might sacrificial giving look like in the life of a believer?

Reflection

5. What from Jesus’ example (v.9) prompts you to be generous with your money, time and energy? What inhibits you?
6. Usually, when we talk about giving, we think of us as individuals, giving for God’s purposes. How can we as a church be more giving, and what might that look like?