# LIFE GROUPS

SERMON NOTES



# **Growing a Giving Heart**

Acts 20:33-35 May 28, 2023

### START TALKING | asking questions to get you thinking.

- 1. What are some common reasons many people have for not faithfully and consistently giving to the local church?
- 2. List some biblical examples of 1 Corinthians 1:25. (For the foolishness of God is wiser than man's wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than man's strength.)

## START SHARING | asking questions that engage with the message.

Read Acts 20:33-35.

- 3. Pastor Steve said, "Imitating the qualities of God is ultimately what brings Him the most glory." What are some ways in which we imitate God through our giving and what are the results?
- 4. Read James 1:27 and 2 Corinthians 9:9. How do we demonstrate our commitment to the welfare of others when we give?
- 5. Read Matthew 6:25-26, 31-33 and Romans 8:32. In what ways is our faith in God's future grace towards us deepened through our giving?
- 6. Pastor Steve said, "...when we give, we win our war on greed and fear." How do fear and greed destroy our faith in God? See 1 Timothy 6:9 and Matthew 6:24.
- 7. Read Proverbs 28:20, 22. How do these verses warn us about greed and selfishness?

### START LIVING | asking questions that apply God's Word to daily life.

8. Pastor Steve exhorted us to move "Forward in Faith" (90 days of trusting God). What will you need to do to commit to either start tithing and trust God or to keep tithing and trust Him even more?