



# Generosity

Family Discussion

And now, brothers, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches. Out of the most severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. ... But just as you excel in everything--in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in your love for us--see that you also excel in this grace of giving.

2 Corinthians 8:1-3, 7 (NIV)

# Discuss

- ▶ What was a time when someone gave you something or helped you when they didn't have to?
- ▶ What is the difference between giving because you have to and giving because you want to?
- ▶ What do you think “the grace of God” had to do with their giving?
- ▶ How can someone be generous even if they don't have much money?
- ▶ What are some ways we could be generous with things other than money - things such as time, kindness, attention, or our skills?



# Pray

- ▶ Thank God for His act of grace, providing the forgiveness of sins, even when we don't deserve it.
- ▶ Thank Him also, people who have demonstrated generosity to you.
- ▶ Ask God for the motivation to be gracious and generous to people around you.
- ▶ Pray that your generosity will show God's love working through you.

