

### **I. Synopsis**

“For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for our sake He became poor, so that you through His poverty might become rich.” (2 Corinthians 8:9) God is abundantly generous and where His grace is truly experienced in people’s lives, the evidence will be a similar love and generosity. Generosity, therefore, is greater than a simple act of giving; rather it is an outpouring of the gratitude that we have in our hearts as we experience God’s grace for us. It is an invitation to experience God’s love in a deeper way.

### **II. Ice Breaker Question**

Talk about a time when someone has been abundantly generous to you? What was your reaction?

**III. Scripture:** 2 Corinthians 8:1-9 (ESV)

### **IV. Discussion Questions**

1. Paul uses the Macedonian church as example to encourage the Corinthian church to be generous. What were the circumstances under which the Macedonian church gave? What was their attitude in giving?
2. Who are examples in your own life of people who are generous? What is their attitude as they give? How does their example encourage you?
3. Do you view opportunities to be generous as a privilege? In what ways? How might this be a reflection of how you receive God’s blessings?