



Riverstone
BAPTIST CHURCH

Sermon Based Questions

Date- Sunday 13th October 2019
Series- The Vision and Giving

Giving and the Vision

He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose. – Jim Elliott.

1. Our vision: Making disciples

1. Adopted and being led by the Spirit.
2. Marked by love.
3. Learning to serve and serving to learn.
4. Compelled outwards carrying the good news.

Giving and the Vision:

1. Give intentionally & joyfully (2 Cor. 9:6-8)
2. Trust God to meet your needs (2 Cor. 9:9-11)
3. Your giving multiplies blessing. (2 Cor. 9:12-15)

A. Examining the texts.

1. Read 2 Corinthians 9:6-9. What does Paul say about giving and how we are to engage in it here?
2. Read 2 Corinthians 9:8-11. What does Paul say that God can provide for his people as they trust him with their giving?
3. Read 2 Corinthians 9:12-15. What do these verses say about the multiplying blessing that comes on the other side of generous giving?

B. Meditation & application

4. What do you think needs to happen in our hearts if we are to be cheerful and willing givers? What realities might lead us toward joyfulness in our giving?
5. What counsel does Paul give as he seeks to encourage people to give? What does he say that God will do and how is this an encouragement to give?
6. What are the blessings listed in that last few verses that we looked at here that flow as a result of giving? How might this help you to give joyfully to the work of the church?
7. What does this whole section of scripture say to you about giving and your attitude and approach to it? How do you think our vision and giving are related and interdependent? What is important to you when you think about churches, their use of money and their teaching and encouragement toward giving?

Dear heavenly Father- Thankyou for your provision and material blessing on our lives. We recognize that every good gift comes from you. Help us to recognize that all good gifts come from you and help us to be concerned for your purposes in our stewardship of our finances. Lord also we ask that you help the church always seek to honor you by stewarding our resources well- with integrity, and in ways that maximize the praise and honor of the Lord. In Jesus Name- amen.