

## A HILARIOUS INVITATION 2 Corinthians 9:7

November 24, 2019

1. Many people tend to plan for, shop for and give presents in addition to buying things for themselves during this season. What biblical principles about money do you want to purposefully keep in mind during the holidays?
2. Read 2 Corinthians 9:1–15. Focus on verse 6. How is where and how much you sow your financial seed an indicator of your heart values?
3. Have you had an experience where you gave generously to the Lord and His work when it didn't make logical sense? Did you see Him provide for you and use your generous gift for good? How?
4. Have you experienced receiving a generous gift that you saw as God's provision for you through someone else? How did you respond?
5. How do you decide what to give to the work of the Lord? If you are married, what are your conversations about on this topic?
6. Has anything hindered you from giving cheerfully to the local church? Talk to Jesus about the obstacles.
7. How does God's generous work on your behalf shape the way you give?
  - Consider God's character and work from 2 Corinthians 9:8–10.
  - To what degree does God's love for you in Christ impact how you give?
8. How did giving, as an obedient response to the gospel, lead to thanksgiving, gratitude and God's glory in the Corinthian church? How about in our church?
9. How can you plan and prepare to be generous with "spiritual seeds" or the whole gospel in the way you pray for or have conversations with family during meals this holiday season?
10. As you think about the cause of Christ in and through New Hope Church, how might God move you to be still more generous?

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