



“For Your Church — Give to Support Your Church”

Small Group Discussion Guide

June 8, 2025

Key Scriptures: 1 Corinthians 9:7-14, 1 Timothy 5:17-18, Deuteronomy 25:4, 1 Corinthians 16:1-2, 1 Timothy 6:17-19

Group Opener:

Have you ever experienced joy or freedom through giving? If so, what was that like?

Discuss:

1. In 1 Cor. 9:7-9, Paul uses multiple illustrations to talk about supporting the local church financially—suggesting even back then he knew it could be an awkward topic. Why do you think talking about giving to the church still feels uncomfortable for many people today?
2. Of the verbal pictures Paul shared (soldiers, farmers, shepherds, and oxen) which illustration resonates most with you and why?
3. Read 1 Corinthians 16:1-2 aloud as a group. How do these instructions speak to the importance of consistency and planning in our generosity?
4. Tim used the image of a rifle sight to illustrate importance of aligning our habits and practices (the rear sight) with our knowledge and theology (the front sight). What's one change you could make to line up your rear sight to grow in consistency or intentionality in your giving?

Pray:

End with prayer, asking God to deepen trust in His provision and to lead the group in faithful, joy-filled generosity.

KEY OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE IN THE GREAT ADVENTURE

How will you and your small group participate in the Great Adventure? We are seeking small groups who will “own” a game/inflatable at SummerFest, as well as drivers for Boot Camp and BackYard Bible Club. See the opportunities you can share with your group at hcbc.com/serveva