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## Sermon Notes for February 25th

## "Planning for an Abundant Harvest"

Sermon Text: 2 Corinthians 9:6-15: (p. 1231); Old Testament Text: Deuteronomy 15:7-11 (p. 202); Gospel Text: Matthew 6:1-4 (p. 1030).

Read 2 Corinthians 9:6-15: (p. 1231) while listening to the sermon, then answer the questions below.

 Read 2 Corinthians 9:6 (p. 1231). Describe in <u>your own words</u> what this verse would mean to a farmer or a gardener.

What does this verse tell us about the importance of exercising generosity in our lives?

- Read 2 Corinthians 9:7: (p. 1231).
  What truths about God might help you to give both *cheerfully* and *generously* without reluctance or feeling pressured by someone?
- 3. Read **2** Corinthians 9:8 (p. 1231). How does this verse give you confidence that you can give generously and not have to worry that you won't be able to afford it?
- 4. Read 2 Corinthians 9:9 (p. 1231). This verse comes from Psalm 112:9 and describes some of the attributes of a man who fears the Lord. Read Psalm 112:5-9. List three blessings mentioned in Psalm 112:5-9 that a man who fears the Lord will enjoy:
- 5. Read **2** Corinthians 9:10 (p. 1231). According to this verse, who *supplies seed to the sower and bread for food*?

God isn't talking about us literally sowing seed in this verse. What do we do to plant these seeds?

If we are faithful in doing this, what will our harvest be?

6. Read **2** Corinthians 9:11 (p. 1231). According to this verse, why does God *enrich us in every way?* 

According to the last part of this verse, what will our generosity produce?

- Read 2 Corinthians 9:12 (p. 1231).Why would our generosity result in an *overflowing of many thanksgivings to God*?
- Read 2 Corinthians 9:13-14 (p. 1231).
  According to this verse, what should accompany our generosity to others (See. V. 13).

According to V. 14, what will people notice about us that will cause them to pray for us and long for us?

9. Read **2** Corinthians 9:15 (p. 1231). What is God's *inexpressible gift* to us?

What sort of blessings accompany this gift?

10. What will you remember most from this message?