

## Getting Started

1. When have you received a sizeable, unexpected amount of money? What did you do with it?
2. How do well-known, “rich” people spend their money (business tycoons, celebrities, sports figures, etc.)? What choices and commitments do you see in the way they spend their money?

## Digging Deeper

1. Pastor Jeremiah said, “It’s easy to make commitments. It’s not easy to keep them.” What makes people afraid of making and keeping commitments?  
  
Proverbs 3:9, 10  
Proverbs 11:25  
Matthew 6:1  
Luke 6:38  
James 1:25
3. We also heard, “There is an abundance of joy that comes to those who give generously.” Describe a time when you gave beyond your comfort level and, in return, experienced joy.
4. Describe some challenges of moving our hearts from the way the world has taught us to handle our resources (e.g., making money and keeping it all to ourselves) to God’s way (e.g., giving sacrificially and being blessed with abundance).

## Bringing it Home

1. Pastor Jeremiah said that God “wants to bless us. He wants to see us prosper.” How does knowing that God wants to bless you motivate you to commit to—and follow through on—a lifestyle of generosity?
2. What next steps are needed for you to walk forward in faith and commit to live generously (or more generously)?

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**Sermon Notes**

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# *Finding the "Why" in Your Giving*

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## **INTRODUCTION**

I. The Hidden Motive of \_\_\_\_\_  
2 Corinthians 8:1, 6, 7, 9; 2 Corinthians 9:8

II. The Hidden Motive of \_\_\_\_\_  
2 Corinthians 9:11-12

III. The Hidden Motive of \_\_\_\_\_  
2 Corinthians 8:1-2; 2 Corinthians 9:7

IV. The Hidden Motive of \_\_\_\_\_

A. The Abundance of \_\_\_\_\_  
2 Corinthians 8:2

B. The Abundance of \_\_\_\_\_  
2 Corinthians 8:2

C. The Abundance of \_\_\_\_\_  
2 Corinthians 9:6

D. The Abundance of \_\_\_\_\_  
2 Corinthians 9:8

E. The Abundance of \_\_\_\_\_  
2 Corinthians 9:12

## **CONCLUSION**

Romans 15:26-27