BEYOND ALL

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Beyond All The Campaign – 2 Corinthians 8:1-9

Big Idea: Jesus' extravagant grace transforms people into extravagant givers.

Overview: We all approach the topic of money from different places. We are shaped by our backgrounds, family of origins, shame, pride, guilt, fear, and desires. It is a power packed conversation that demands sensitivity, compassion, understanding, listening, and a thorough Biblical perspective on it. The Bible speaks of money either positively or negatively; it is not neutral. Through money can come great blessing and flourishing, and through money can also come destruction, manipulation, and abuse. It is imperative, as the Scriptures lay out, that we are shaped by the gospel and the extravagant grace of God, that we would see money as a tool, and not experience it as a vice. Our current moment as a church requires faithful participation and generosity as we pray and move forward. The Beyond All Stewardship Campaign is an invitation to trust Jesus more in this area, leaving room for Him to provide, guide, and refine our hearts, families and church.

Life Group Objectives:

Remember why you exist as a group! Life Groups are to:

- 1. Reflect on this past week's message and passage or dig into the series you are going through as a group. When we all track together on the sermon series, we learn and grow together as a church.
- 2. We desire for you to have the Bible play a key role in your time together. Please have people open up Bibles, seeking clarity, asking questions, sharing insights, and allowing it to guide your time together.
- 3. Pray together and provide encouragement for other group members. How can you build one another up this week?

Conversation starters:

- What about the Beyond All Campaign and Strategic Plan excites you?
- O Why is money such a difficult topic to talk about? Or is it?
- o What feelings does this bring up for you?
- o How can we ensure a safe, supportive, confidential, and profitable conversation tonight?

Learning from God's Word: Bible Study Discussion

Read Scripture: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9

Questions for Discussion:

- 1. Amazing Grace 2 Corinthians 8:1-9
- "Money can't buy you happiness." This is a well-known phrase, yet we are tempted to mold our lives around it. What is it about money that is so alluring?
- Paul was tactful but not afraid to talk to the Corinthians about money. Why is it important for KAC to talk about it?
- In verse 2 Paul outlines the gospel perspective on joy basically giving the formula: Joy + Severe Affliction + Poverty = Wealth. What does this show us about true wealth and generosity?
- Paul's argument in verse 9 is that grace will make someone generous. How does grace do this?
- If we do not think Christianly about money, what could happen to us?

• How does Jesus' sacrificial death change our handling, perspective, use, and view of money?

2. Amazing Generosity

- Pastor Chris shared some of the ways KAC has been generous in this past season. Why is it important that, as a church, we continue to demonstrate generosity to our community?
- As we think about the future of KAC, what kind of a church do you want us to be? How will you actively play a part to help us become this church?
- What is holding you back from trusting Jesus more in the area of your finances?
- In your current moment and season, how is Jesus inviting you to participate in this campaign at KAC?

Listening to God:

o How has God been present in our discussion so far? What themes have emerged?

Prayer Prompts and Application:

- Pray for KAC, this campaign, and our current and future impact.
- Pray for each other, that we would be courageous to trust Jesus more in the area of personal finances.

Check out our strategic plan here.

Check out more information about our stewardship campaign here.