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From last Sunday: **Other motivations to live generous**

(beyond living overwhelmed by God's grace)

**9. The privilege to inspire w \_\_\_\_\_ in others**

<sup>11</sup> you will be enriched in everything for all liberality, which through us is producing thanksgiving to God.

<sup>12</sup> For the ministry of this service is not only fully supplying the needs of the saints, but is also overflowing through many thanksgivings to God.

<sup>13</sup> Because of the proof given by this ministry they will glorify God for *your* obedience to your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for the liberality of your contribution to them and to all,

**10. The privilege to inspire I \_\_\_\_\_ in others**

<sup>14</sup> while they also, by prayer on your behalf, yearn for you because of the surpassing grace of God in you.

<sup>15</sup> Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!

## What We Really Think

**1. we think about J \_\_\_\_\_' example of meekness and gentleness**

**2 Corinthians 10:1** Now I, Paul, myself urge you by the meekness and gentleness of Christ—

**2. we are aware we are s \_\_\_\_\_**

I who am meek when face to face with you, but bold toward you when absent!

**3. we know we need to c\_\_\_\_\_ waywardness, but we don't want to**

<sup>2</sup> I ask that when I am present I may not be bold with the confidence with which I propose to be courageous against some, who regard us as if we walked according to the flesh.

**4. we focus on destroying unbiblical t\_\_\_\_\_ using divine weapons**

<sup>3</sup> For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh,

<sup>4</sup> for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses.

<sup>5</sup> *We are* destroying speculations and every lofty thing raised up against the knowledge of God, and we *are* taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ,

<sup>6</sup> and we are ready to punish all disobedience, whenever your obedience is complete.

**5. we rest in our identity and authority in C\_\_\_\_\_**

<sup>7</sup> You are looking at things as they are outwardly. If anyone is confident in himself that he is Christ's, let him consider this again within himself, that just as he is Christ's, so also are we.

<sup>8</sup> For even if I should boast somewhat further about our authority, which the Lord gave for building you up and not for destroying you, I shall not be put to shame,

<sup>9</sup> for I do not wish to seem as if I would terrify you by my letters.

<sup>10</sup> For they say, "His letters are weighty and strong, but his personal presence is unimpressive, and his speech contemptible."

<sup>11</sup> Let such a person consider this, that what we are in word by letters when absent, such persons we *are* also in deed when present.

**6. we avoid c\_\_\_\_\_**

<sup>12</sup> For we are not bold to class or compare ourselves with some of those who commend themselves; but when they measure themselves by themselves, and compare themselves with themselves, they are without understanding.

**7. we appeal to our t\_\_\_\_\_ and hope for respect**

<sup>13</sup> But we will not boast beyond *our* measure, but within the measure of the sphere which God apportioned to us as a measure, to reach even as far as you.

<sup>14</sup> For we are not overextending ourselves, as if we did not reach to you, for we were the first to come even as far as you in the gospel of Christ;

<sup>15</sup> not boasting beyond *our* measure, *that is*, in other men's labors, but with the hope that as your faith grows, we shall be, within our sphere, enlarged even more by you,

<sup>16</sup> so as to preach the gospel even to the regions beyond you, *and* not to boast in what has been accomplished in the sphere of another.

**8. we know all credit goes to t\_\_\_\_\_**

<sup>17</sup> But he who boasts, let him boast in the Lord.

**9. we know G\_\_\_\_\_ opinion matters most**

<sup>18</sup> For not he who commends himself is approved, but whom the Lord commends.

**10. our motive is the church's purity and devotion to C\_\_\_\_\_**

**2 Corinthians 11:1** I wish that you would bear with me in a little foolishness; but indeed you are bearing with me.

<sup>2</sup> For I am jealous for you with a godly jealousy; for I betrothed you to one husband, that to Christ I might present you as a pure virgin.

**11. our fear is that some may be lead astray from C\_\_\_\_\_**

<sup>3</sup> But I am afraid, lest as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, your minds should be led astray from the simplicity and purity *of devotion* to Christ.

**12. our consternation is that we don't understand the church's lack of**

**d\_\_\_\_\_**

<sup>4</sup> For if one comes and preaches another Jesus whom we have not preached, or you receive a different spirit which you have not received, or a different gospel which you have not accepted, you bear *this* beautifully.