

## *Valley Bible Church - Sermon Study Questions*

### **Study Aid for the Sermon from January 23, 2011 “The Example of the Macedonians” 2 Corinthians 8:6-7**

#### **Observing the text**

Read 2 Corinthians 8:6-7 and make as many observations as possible.

How do these verses fit into the flow of the text?

When did Titus first initiate the collection for the poor in Jerusalem among the Corinthians?

Why did Paul have Titus encourage the Corinthians to complete this collection?

In what ways were the Corinthians abounding, and in what ways were they not?

#### **Applying the sermon**

When you look at your life, what do you see? Do you see what you have acquired for yourself or do you see what God has given you by His grace?

When you think about the things that God has given you by His grace, what specifically do you think of?

Should we expect those who have received an abundant outpouring of God's grace to give and to give generously, sacrificially and cheerfully?

How is your giving reflecting the amount of grace you have received?

If your giving does not reflect the amount of grace you have received, what are you going to do about it?