

Valley Bible Church - Sermon Study Questions

Study Aid for the Sermon from March 27, 2011 The Collection: The Necessity of Sending the Delegation 2 Corinthians 8:16-24

Observing the text

Read 2 Corinthians 8:16-24 and make as many observations as possible. How do these verses fit into the flow of the text?

Who were the various members of the delegation, and what did Paul say about them?

What motivated Paul to assemble the delegation?

What was Paul's concluding remark concerning the delegation in 2 Corinthians 8:23?

What was Paul's concluding remark concerning the Corinthians in 2 Corinthians 8:24?

Applying the sermon

Why do ministers need to be careful not be perceived as being more concerned with advancing their financial position than the cause of Christ?

In what ways could ministers open themselves up to be accused of being more concerned with advancing their financial position than the cause of Christ?

Why can a large offering being entrusted to one solitary minister open them up to accusation?

Do you believe that as you look at your life and the way you are managing the money the Lord has entrusted to you that you might be perceived as being more concerned with advancing your financial position than the cause of Christ? If so, what can be done to protect yourself from this perception?