

Valley Bible Church - Sermon Study Questions

Study Aid for the Sermon from April 3, 2011 The Necessity of the Delegation 2 Corinthians 9:1-5

Observing the text

Read 2 Corinthians 9:1-5 carefully and make as many observations as possible. How do these verses fit into the flow of the text?

Why did Paul say that it was superfluous to write to them about this collection?

Why was Paul boasting to the Macedonians about the Achaïans?

What was the role of the delegation in light of Paul's boasting?

Did Paul actually believe there was a possibility that the Corinthians might let him down?

Applying the sermon

Describe the giving practices of a covetous person?

Describe the giving practices of a Spirit filled person?

As you reflect on your response to our present opportunity to extend help to the Japanese people and to advance the cause of Christ in Japan, has your response been more consistent with a covetous person or a Spirit filled person?

If your response has been more consistent with a covetous person ask God for help to humble yourself before Him, so that His life might fill you and begin to flow through you.

If your response has been more consistent with a Spirit filled person, thank God for the grace that He has supplied you and that you are now enjoying.