Live Generously and Sacrificially!

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2 Corinthians 8:9; 9:6-15 May 9, 2021

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- **Acts 20:35**, In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

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