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RICH IN EVERY WAY
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DISCOVERING GOD'S POWER IN OUR WEAKNESS

God's plan is that we live life to the fullest and abound in the life that has been given to us. This applies to all areas of our life, including our finances. While it's not always easy, if we follow God's direction, we can have peace and be generous with all he has given us.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. How was money treated as you grew up? In your home, was there a scarcity mentality or was there a spending environment? How has that example impacted the way you manage your resources?
2. Has there ever been a time in your life when it was only by the power of God that you were able to get through a difficult time? Were you able to recognize God's power at the time or was it only in hindsight that you saw him at work? What was that experience like?
3. **Read 2 Corinthians 9:6.** Sowing generously is not often a money issue, it's a trust issue. Who or what are you trusting in today to provide for your needs?
4. Paul says that when we put God first, we'll be made rich in every way—which could mean financially, but can also mean abundance in relationships, at home, in your health, or in finding a meaningful job. In what areas of life are you experiencing this abundance?

CHALLENGE

Step out of your comfort zone and act generously in a way that is new to you this week. Surprise someone by paying for their coffee or meal, mow your neighbor's lawn, or give to a new cause. Get creative—there are so many ways for us to live generously in our day-to-day lives.

COMMIT TO MEMORY

God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things, at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

2 Corinthians 9:8