

## ONE MISSION, MANY HANDS

### BE THE CHURCH

1 Corinthians 3:5–9 ; 2 Corinthians 8:1–5

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### 1. WE EACH HAVE A \_\_\_\_\_ IN GOD'S WORK

<sup>5</sup> What then is Apollos? What is Paul? They are servants through whom you believed, and each has the role the Lord has given. <sup>6</sup> I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. <sup>7</sup> So, then, neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth. 1 Corinthians 3:5–7

<sup>4</sup> Now as we have many parts in one body, and all the parts do not have the same function, <sup>5</sup> in the same way we who are many are one body in Christ and individually members of one another.

<sup>6</sup> According to the grace given to us, we have different gifts: If prophecy, use it according to the proportion of one's faith; <sup>7</sup> if service, use it in service; if teaching, in teaching; <sup>8</sup> if exhorting, in exhortation; giving, with generosity; leading, with diligence; showing mercy, with cheerfulness. Romans 12:4–8

<sup>10</sup> For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared ahead of time for us to do. Ephesians 2:10

### 2. \_\_\_\_\_ DON'T DETERMINE OUR GENEROSITY

<sup>2</sup> During a severe trial brought about by affliction, their abundant joy and their extreme poverty overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. <sup>3</sup> I can testify that, according to their ability and even beyond their ability, of their own accord, <sup>4</sup> they begged us earnestly for the privilege of sharing in the ministry to the saints, <sup>5</sup> and not just as we had hoped. Instead, they gave themselves first to the Lord and then to us by God's will. 2 Corinthians 8:2–5

<sup>15</sup> And you Philippians know that in the early days of the gospel, when I left Macedonia, no church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving except you alone. <sup>16</sup> For even in Thessalonica you sent gifts for my need several times. Philippians 4:15–16

<sup>32</sup> Now the entire group of those who believed were of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but instead they held everything in common. <sup>33</sup> With great power the apostles were giving testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was on all of them. <sup>34</sup> For there was not a needy person among them because all those who owned lands or houses sold them, brought the proceeds of what was sold, <sup>35</sup> and laid them at the apostles' feet. This was then distributed to each person as any had need. Acts 4:32–35

### 3. WE \_\_\_\_\_ GOD, NOT OUR ACHIEVEMENTS

<sup>8</sup> Now he who plants and he who waters are one, and each will receive his own reward according to his own labor. <sup>9</sup> For we are God's coworkers. You are God's field, God's building. 1 Corinthians 3:8–9

<sup>1</sup> Not to us, LORD, not to us, but to your name give glory because of your faithful love, because of your truth. Psalm 115:1

<sup>9</sup> Let us not get tired of doing good, for we will reap at the proper time if we don't give up. Galatians 6:9

<sup>23</sup> For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 6:23

<sup>9</sup> If you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

<sup>10</sup> One believes with the heart, resulting in righteousness, and one confesses with the mouth, resulting in salvation. Romans 10:9–10