Dingmans Ferry UMC (Pastor Sung)

- 1. Opening Prayer
- 2. Intro: Giving as Serving in the Bible

Exodus 30:16 John 3:16 Matthew 25:37-40 1 Timothy 6:17-19 Matthew 6:24

Do you know any story of giving as serving?

- 3. Read Ch. 9
- 4. Questions
 - a. Can you find out any implication in verse 1?
 - b. What is the main feature of generosity we can find out in this chapter?
 - c. What is more important than the amount of giving?
 - d. How shall we understand verses 6 and 7? (Proverbs 11:24-25, 19:17, and 22:8-9)
 - e. In this letter, we can find out that generous giving for the church of Jerusalem was mentioned in the previous year. Do you think the church of Corinth was doing good at such generous giving?
 - f. What are the results of cheerful giving?
 - g. How shall we understand "to abound" in verse 8?

- h. Why do you think Paul quoted Psalm 112 in verse 9? Or how did Paul describe God's grace in relation with God's generosity? (also read Psalm 112)
- i. What makes differences between believer's giving and un-believer's giving? (verse 13)
- j. How do you understand this phrase, "in their prayers for you their hearts will go out to you" in verse 14?
- 5. Closing Prayer