



SERMON NOTES

Sunday, October 5, 2025 | Pastor Scott Boerckel

Christian Service Brings Partnership

2 Corinthians 8:16-24

1. The need for and the purpose of financial accountability in the church
(2 Corinthians 8:16-21)



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2. The need for tested and earnest handlers of money in the church (2 Corinthians 8:22-24)

Table Talk

- 1) The word, "earnest," appears 4 times in 2 Corinthians 8:16-24. Why is that an important word in this section of scripture?
- 2) How many people is Paul sending to Corinth to take care of this offering? (see vv. 16, 18, and 22) Why might three people be helpful in such a mission? Why are two of the people mentioned by how they behave but not by name?
- 3) What is the need for financial accountability in the church? What is the purpose of financial accountability in the church? How does financial accountability demonstrate good will? How does financial accountability bring glory to the Lord? (vv. 16-21)
- 4) What do you know about the financial accountability measures that your church takes?
- 5) How do these tested and earnest handlers of money bring glory to Christ? How are the Corinthians to receive them and give proof of their love for the saints and of Paul's boasting about them throughout the region? (vv. 23-24) In what ways can we imitate the financial accountability, the development of tested and earnest handlers of money, and the receiving well of requests for funds by the church?