

# SOLID ROCK

GRACE

W E E K O N E

**God is more concerned about the heart I am giving from than He is about who or what I am giving my money to.**

- **Our primary goal for Unshakeable is 100% engagement.**
- **Our secondary goal for Unshakeable is Kingdom advancement.**

<sup>1</sup> And now, brothers and sisters, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches. <sup>2</sup> In the midst of a very severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity.

2 Corinthians 8:1-2 (NIV)

**The evidence of God's grace was expressed through the Macedonians' rich generosity in spite of their extreme poverty.**

<sup>3</sup> For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, <sup>4</sup> they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the Lord's people. <sup>5</sup> And they exceeded our expectations: They gave themselves first of all to the Lord, and then by the will of God also to us. <sup>6</sup> So we urged Titus, just as he had earlier made a beginning, to bring also to completion this act of grace on your part. <sup>7</sup> But since you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love we have kindled in you—see that you also excel in this grace of giving.

2 Corinthians 8:1-7 (NIV)

**1. We give ourselves first to the Lord. (v5)**

**2. Giving is a spiritual discipline we learn. (v7)**

**Next Level Surrender:**

What steps do I need to take to move toward a deeper dependence upon Jesus and move away from the pursuit of my own comfort?

**Next Level Faith:**

How can I joyfully and gratefully honor God with 100% of what Jesus has given to me?

**Next Level Generosity:**

What new level of generosity can begin to express my gratitude for what Jesus has done for me?

**3. Giving in response to everything God has given me is grace-based giving.**

SERIES BIG IDEA:

**God is generous and He wants me to excel in the grace of giving.**

**Prayer: Father help my friend surrender to Jesus and grow in faith by taking his/her next step to excel in generosity.**

**MY NOTES:**

(Visit our Unshakeable Hub on our App or at <http://unshakeable.faith>)

# SOLID ROCK

GRACE

WEEK ONE



#### STAY CONNECTED:

Download the Westside Leavenworth App in your App Store or visit [westsideleavenworth.com/app](https://westsideleavenworth.com/app)

**TEXT FOR PRAYER:** (913) 297-9707

#### WAYS TO GIVE:

Westside Leavenworth App (*in your app store*)  
[westsideleavenworth.com/givenow](https://westsideleavenworth.com/givenow)  
text "WestsideLV" to (833) 254-5174



#### TEACHING SUMMARY:

Each of us is on a journey of faith. God is leading us to know Him and His love for us, and He wants us grow in our faith by responding to His grace and love for us.

As we learn about God, we discover He is generous, and we respond to the grace of His generosity by learning the spiritual discipline of giving generously.

The Apostle Paul inspires and challenges the Corinthian church with the generosity of the impoverished Macedonian church. Paul celebrates the Macedonians' heart of generosity in spite of their poverty and difficulties.

We learn that God is more concerned about the heart we give from than He is concerned to whom or to what we give. God wants His people to excel in the grace of giving by giving themselves first to Jesus and being surrendered to Him as Lord.

#### TALK-IT-OVER:

How does the example of the Macedonian church inspire or challenge you?

In what ways do you need to fully depend on Jesus?  
How does comfort keep you from trusting Jesus?

What new level of generosity is God leading you to?  
(Initial Giver, Consistent Giver, Proportional Giver, Surrendered Giver, or Eternal Giver? See pages 8-9 of the Solid Rock Guide)

What is one next step you need to take today?

Who do you need to tell about what you've learned?

#### DAILY SCRIPTURE READING:

Day 1) Psalm 25:4-15

Day 2) Deuteronomy 15:7-11

Day 3) Psalm 37:25-27

Day 4) Proverbs 11: 24-25; 22:9

Day 5) 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

Day 6) 1 Chronicles 29:6-18