

THIS WEEK

GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH, KAILUA KONA, HAWAII

E Komo Mai!

Mahalo for worshipping with us!

Nursery and Kids' Church are available.

Need Prayer?

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Events

<u>Wed, 12/17</u>, 5:30p Prayer & 6:00p Foundations Class

Thurs, 12/18, 6:30p Grace Group

<u>Sun, 12/21</u>, 9:30a Coffee & Fellowship, 10:00a W orship Service

<u>Giving</u>



Via Giving box (in back), mail a check, or QR code.

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Sermon Title: The Collection for the Saints and Plans for Travel

(1 Corinthians 16:1-11)
Aaron, Deacon

A) The collection for the poor saints in Jerusalem

B) Plans for travel

C) Timothy

Grace Group Discussion Questions Collection for the Saints and Plans for Travel (1 Corinthians 16:1-11)

- 1. What instructions does Paul give in verses 1-4 regarding the collection for the saints in Jerusalem? Why did he have the collection start and finish prior to his arrival? Why did he have them save weekly? Who was supposed to give? How were people to give? Was everyone supposed to give the same amount?
- 2. How was Paul's strategy different from many strategies churches and other individuals and organizations utilize to raise funds in today's culture? How was Paul's strategy above reproach in all aspects of raising the funds?
- 3. "Logia" is the ancient Greek word for "collection" used by Paul. Given that it means "extra collection," discuss what Paul means by this. Why should Christians give? How generous is God towards us? Discuss how Jesus demonstrated giving during his earthly ministry and how giving reveals our heart toward God and worldly possessions and wealth.
- 4. Paul uses the ancient Greek word "charis" for "gift" in our passage, which means grace gift. Discuss how grace is important in our relationship with God and how grace is important in our relationships with others. How does this contrast with the culture in Corinth and with our present culture?
- 5. What was the wide door for ministry that had opened to Paul? (see Acts 19:1-10); what doors for ministry opened because Paul had been prevented from going into Asia in Acts 16:6-10? How was Corinth impacted by this?
- 6. What opposition did Paul face in Ephesus? (See Acts 19:21-20:3 and Acts 20:17-21). Read Acts 16:16-34 and discuss how Paul's and Silas' beatings and imprisonment led to kingdom fruit. What can we take away from this is facing challenges and opposition in our own lives?
- 7. Given some of the challenges Paul faced with the very church in Corinth he founded, discuss the importance of why Paul includes verses 10-11. "Let no one despise him" echoes what Paul wrote to Timothy in 1 Timothy 4:12. It seems Timothy struggled with self-confidence and being respected; what can we take away from this in how we treat others with similar struggles?