

## Romans 15:25-29

# Shared Ministry: Shared Generosity

- A. Shared Responsibility for the health of the Local Church – v. 14-17
- B. Shared Ambition for the Global Mission of Christ – v. 18-24
- C. Shared Generosity among the People of God – v. 25-29

### 1) Generosity to the Poor – v. 25-27

[Job 31:16-23, Exod 22, Deut 15, Psa 37:21, 112:5,9, Prov 11:26, Mark 14:7, Gal 2:10]

- a) Means of Emulating God's Heart  
Prov 22:22-23, Exod 22:22-24, Deut 10:18, Isa 58:6-7, Psa 145:14-18, James 1:17, Rom 5:6, 4:5
  
- b) Means of Releasing our Chains  
Matt 6:24, 1 Tim 6:18, 6:6-10, 2 Cor 9:13
  
- c) Means of Expressing Thanksgiving

### 2) Generosity to the Mission – v. 28-29

#### Praxis

1. What does it look like to “despise” \$, not to “serve” \$ - if in fact we must have/use \$ to fulfill God's purposes for us?
2. How does it help to actually “do” for God in worship, rather than only “speak” to God in worship?
3. Who is someone who has spiritually blessed you? How might you tangibly bless them?
4. Thought Question: How is Paul's principle in Rom 15:27 (Gal 6:6) different than the philosophical idea behind the popular “pay it forward” strategy?