Keep the Change

2. Seeds or Stores?

BLESS Training 11/21, 9 AM- 3 PM. You're invited to an interactive day of learning how to share the love of Jesus with the people and places you see everyday. You might be surprised how God can use you without adding anything more to your calendar!
Great to attend as a group! **table.org/bless**

Table Talk *(1/3 of meeting)*

- When is the correct time to decorate for Christmas?
- How have you seen God at work this week? OR Briefly share a high or low.
- Worship God through song. Recommended: Lord Will Provide by Passion.

Discussion Guidelines

1. We like to be "deep but brief"- give everyone space to share.
2. Focus only on what this passage is saying. (This keeps everyone on the same page)
3. Share from your perspective – we won't argue or give advice.
4. Give everyone time to respond. Silence is OK.
5. The facilitator will facilitate discussion, not teach.

Discover *(1/3 of meeting)*

Big Idea: God provides bread to consume and seed to sow.

Context: Paul is encouraging the church in Corinth to follow through on their commitment to contribute financially to Christians who were experiencing poverty in Jerusalem.

Ask God to open our hearts as we read 2 Corinthians 9:1-15.

- What part of this passage is being highlighted to you?
- We often think of giving as a private matter. What do you notice about the impact of relationships and giving in this passage? What relevance should this have for us today?
- Does verses 10-11 mean we should expect to be blessed financially when we give? If not, then what do you think the passage is teaching us?
- On a scale from 1-10, how hard is it for you to trust God to provide for your needs?

Go Do It *(1/3 of meeting)*

- How does this passage help you rethink your relationship to money and God? What do you feel prompted to do about it? ("I will…" statements)

- **Pray for the Empty Chair.** Place an empty chair in the circle and pray for God to use one of us to fill it with someone that needs to be here next week!