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Acts 1:6-8

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Let's go forward together.

Review

- 1) Strengthen what we have.
 - a. Parking access.
 - b. Traffic flow.
- 2) Build what we need.
 - a. Dedicated children's building.
 - b. One check-in location.
- 3) So that we'll be prepared to continue going forward.
 - a. Maximize our Gospel outpost on Okeechobee Blvd.
 - b. Be prepared for the future to go and serve where God calls us.

Here's what we believe can happen in...

- Our community
- Our church
- Our lives

Imagine two years from now...

Q: Did Jesus need money?

Q: If not, then what was Jesus' incentive to talk about money so often?

A: Because Jesus believes that money is a huge heart indicator.

Enemies of joy and generosity

- Self-focus
- "What if?" Uncertainty/Hesitancy leading to "Generosity Paralysis"
- Lack of confidence

Acts 1:6-8 *So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?”⁷ He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority.⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”*

- It’s ok to remember the past, but don’t waste today trying to recreate it. Go forward. Draw upon God’s faithfulness in the past to go forward today.

Acts 20:24 *But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.*

- Sustainable joy in your life comes from locking into God’s sustainable mission and purpose.

2 Corinthians 8:1-5 *We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia,² for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part.³ For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own accord,⁴ begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints—⁵ and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us.*

- Generosity is our Christian heritage.

Philippians 4:17, 19 *Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that increases to your credit...¹⁹ And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.*

- Our Christian heritage: Where God guides, He provides.

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