



## The Promise: Encouragement

Sunday, February 19, 2017

### **Lesson:**

*Today, we continue our sermon series leading up to Commitment Sunday of our campaign, The Promise. Key scripture used is from Malachi 3 and 2 Corinthians 8*

### **ICEBREAKER:**

What is the most awesome gift you've ever seen someone give to someone else?

### **QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:**

1. Read Malachi 3:10-12
  - a. What does God promise if they test him in their offerings?
  - b. What kinds of blessings do you think God will offer?
  - c. Have you ever experienced an "Opened floodgate" of blessings? What was it like?
2. Spend time talking about:
  - a. How have you seen this congregation be generous?
    - b. How have you been blessed by the generosity of this church?
3. Read 2 Corinthians 8:1-5
  - a. Who were the Macedonians?
  - b. Why does Paul praise them?
  - c. Describe the different aspects of the giving of the Macedonians. How they give, when they give, attitude while giving, etc.
  - d. Where did they put God in their lives? What does it mean for us to put God first in every aspect of our lives?
4. How do you feel the new building will bless the work of the church here at Northwest Tampa?
5. What were your takeaways from the Town Hall Meeting? How do you feel about the overall project?
6. Spend time in prayer for our Campaign and Building project.