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2 CORINTHIANS 9:1

#### There is no need for me to write to you about this service to the Lord's people.

For I know your eagerness to help, and I have been boasting about it to the Macedonians, telling them that since last year you in Achaia were ready to give; and your enthusiasm has stirred most of them to action. 2 CORINTHIANS 9:2

But I am sending the brothers in order that our boasting about you in this matter should not prove hollow, but that you may be ready, as I said you would be. 2 CORINTHIANS 9:3

# 2 CORINTHIANS 9:4

For if any Macedonians come with me and find you unprepared, we — not to say anything about you — would be ashamed of having been so confident.

So I thought it necessary to urge the brothers to visit you in advance and finish the arrangements for the generous gift you had promised. Then it will be ready as a generous gift, not as one grudgingly given. 2 CORINTHIANS 9:5



Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. 2 CORINTHIANS 9:6

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 CORINTHIANS 9:7

And God is able to bless you 2 CORINTHIANS 9:8

## abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

As it is written: "They have freely scattered their gifts to the poor; 2 CORINTHIANS 9:9

# their righteousness endures forever."



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follows grace. When God's grace touches you, you can't help but respond with generous giving." RANDY ALCORN

# "As thunder follows lightning, giving

"Most people subconsciously employ a kind of mental air defense system to deflect any appeals for money that their radar screen picks up as approaching their way." DAVID GARLAND



## Paul's Pride in the Corinthians' Motivation (9:1,2)





## Paul's Prodding of the Corinthians' Follow-Through. (9:3,4)







## Paul's Principles for the Corinthians' Hearts (9:5)

Paul's Principles for the Corinthians' Hearts "All too often people give out of a sense of guilt rather than from a glad heart, and Paul does not want the Corinthians to feel that this offering was somehow imposed upon them." 

#### Paul's Principles for the Corinthians' Hearts

#### "Generous giving only comes when it is voluntary and not coerced." DAVID GARLAND

Paul's Principles for the Corinthians' Hearts "Stewardship with integrity, then, is marked by voluntary, faithful giving, proportionate to what one has, in submission to godly [leaders] who handle the money faithfully." MACARIHU

#### Paul's Principles for the Corinthians' Hearts

## "It is motivated by exemplary love for God and others, and is completely free from selfish greed and covetousness."

#### Paul's Principles for the Corinthians' Hearts



### Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; PROVERBS 3:9



"There's no mention of tithing after the Gospels. It's neither commanded nor rescinded. Every New Testament example of giving goes far beyond the tithe. However, none falls short of it. Jesus raised the spiritual bar; He never lowered it." RANDY ALCORN



"Tithing isn't the ceiling of giving; it's the floor. It's not the finish line of giving; it's just the starting block. Tithes can be the training wheels to launch us into the mindset, skills, and habits of grace giving." RANDY ALCORN





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