



# GENEROUS

*2 Corinthians 8:1-9*

# **Giving Is an Act Of God's Grace In Your Life**

***Grace: God's undeserved and unearned favor***

***When God offers you the opportunity to give,  
He is offering you His Favor!***

***Acts 20:35***

***"Remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more  
blessed to give than to receive.'"***



**“Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house.  
Test me in this,” says the LORD Almighty,  
“and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it.”**

**Malachi 3:10**



# Generous Giving Is The Biblical Standard

- *We can be generous regardless of circumstance*
  - >*Severe Trial*
  - >*Extreme Poverty*
- *Generosity comes from the heart*
  - >*Welled up from within*
  - >*Crazy Formula:*  
*Severe Trial + Joy of Christ + Extreme Poverty + Overflowing Generosity!*



# The Priority of Giving is YOU: Not Your Stuff!

*If you have never made the decision to  
give your heart and life to Christ,*

**THAT**

*Is where your giving begins!*



# You Should Always Be Growing In Your Giving

*“But since you excel in everything—*

*In Faith,*

*In Speech,*

*In Knowledge,*

*In Complete Earnestness,*

*And in love...*

*See that you also EXCEL in this Grace of Giving”*

*2 Cor 8:7*



# **Your Giving To Jesus Should Look Like Jesus' Giving To You!**

*Jesus Said,*

*"It is finished."*

*With that, he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.*

*John 19:30*



# What Does YOUR Giving Look Like?

- *Grace Giving?*
  - *Generous?*
- *Give Yourself First?*
  - *Growing?*
- *Look Like Jesus Giving For You?*

