



Tipping, Tithing Or Grace Giving
1Cor 16:1-4 Matthew 6:19-21

Consistent Grace Giving

- **Tipping:**

Casual giving based on attendance and impulse

- **Tithing:**

Intentionally giving a set 10% as a financial act of obedience

- **Grace Giving:**

Grace giving is our response to God's grace toward us, and a reflection of it. It is a voluntary choice based on an individual's personal experience of God's grace in bestowing spiritual blessings as well as material resources. The required "tithe" fades from view in the NT while grace giving grows and becomes the norm in the life of the church.

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Three Defining Characteristics Of Grace Giving

- **Motivation**

2 Cor 8:12: “For if the willingness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has, not according to what one does not have.”

- **Amount:**

1 Cor 16:2 “On the first day of the week each one should set aside a sum of money in keeping with his income.”

- **Purpose:**

Church Needs: 2Cor 8:4 “the privilege of sharing in this service to the saints.”

Hurting People: Acts 2:45 “they gave to anyone as they had need.”

Church Leaders: 1Cor 9:11 “if we have sown spiritual seed is it to much to reap a material harvest?”

Six Principles For Consistent Grace Giving

- **Regularity:**

1 Cor 16:2 “On the first day of the week”

- **Intentionality:**

2 Cor 9:7 “Each one should give what you have decided in your heart.”

- **Proportionality:**

Mark 12:41-44 “They contributed out of their abundance, she out of her poverty.”

- **Generosity:**

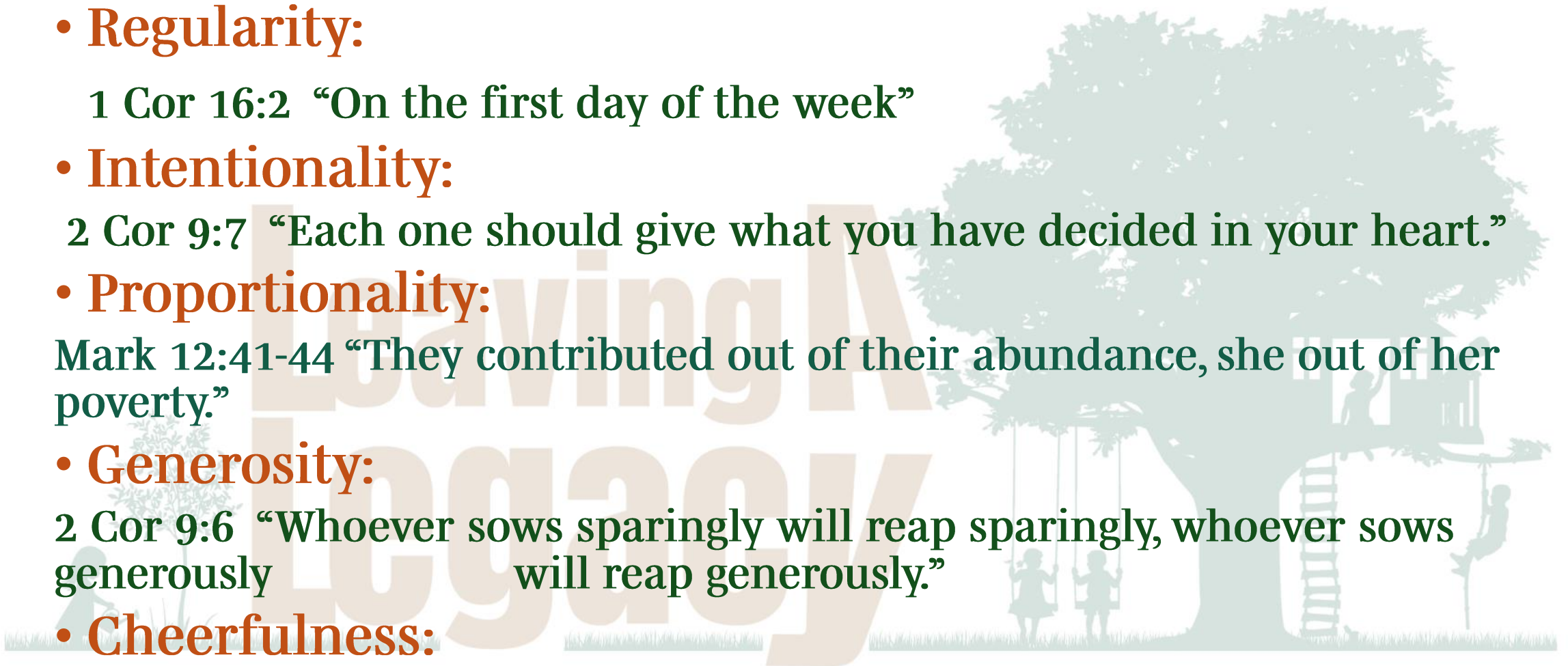
2 Cor 9:6 “Whoever sows sparingly will reap sparingly, whoever sows generously will reap generously.”

- **Cheerfulness:**

2 Cor 9:7 “God loves a cheerful giver.”

- **Eternal Focus:**

Matt 6:20 “Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven”



Today...

- Determine HOW you have been giving.
 - ~Tipping
 - ~Tithing
 - ~Grace Giving
- Take a commitment card home and pray about Grace Giving to leave an eternal legacy
- Make sure you have “given yourself first”
2Cor 8:5 “They gave themselves first to the Lord.”

