

## Message Outline

- I. Grace Giving \_\_\_\_\_ with God Giving 2 Corinthians 8:1,9  
2 Corinthians 8:9 (NASB) <sup>9</sup> For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor, so that you through His poverty might become rich.  
Acts 17:25 James 1:17 Psalm 24:1 James 4:6 1 Peter 5:5  
Proverbs 3:34
- II. Grace Giving is \_\_\_\_\_ Giving 2 Corinthians 8:2-4,9; 9:6;  
2 Corinthians 9:6 (NASB) <sup>6</sup> Now this I say, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.



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III. Grace Giving is \_\_\_\_\_ Giving 2 Corinthians 9:7  
2 Corinthians 9:7 (NASB) <sup>7</sup> Each one must do just as he has  
purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for God  
loves a cheerful giver.

IV. Grace Giving is \_\_\_\_\_ Giving 2 Corinthians 9:8-10

V. Grace Giving is \_\_\_\_\_ Giving 2 Corinthians 9:11



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### Biblical Rationale of Giving

- Giving releases money's power (I Timothy 6:6-10)  
1 Timothy 6:6-10 (NASB) 6 But godliness actually is a means of great gain when accompanied by contentment. 7 For we have brought nothing into the world, so we cannot take anything out of it either. 8 If we have food and covering, with these we shall be content. 9 But those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a snare and many foolish and harmful desires which plunge men into ruin and destruction. 10 For the love of money is a root of all sorts of evil, and some by longing for it have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs.



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- Giving reminds us we are stewards (Psalm 24:1; 1 Chronicles 29:11-12)  
Psalm 24:1 (NASB) <sup>1</sup> The earth is the LORD'S, and all it contains, The world, and those who dwell in it.

1 Chronicles 29:11-12 (NLT2) <sup>11</sup> Yours, O LORD, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty. Everything in the heavens and on earth is yours, O LORD, and this is your kingdom. We adore you as the one who is over all things. <sup>12</sup> Wealth and honor come from you alone, for you rule over everything. Power and might are in your hand, and at your discretion people are made great and given strength.

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- Giving provides eternal riches (Luke 12:33; Matthew 6:19-21)  
Luke 12:33 (NASB) <sup>33</sup> "Sell your possessions and give to charity; make yourselves money belts which do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near nor moth destroys.  
Matthew 6:19-21 (NLT2) <sup>19</sup> "Don't store up treasures here on earth, where moths eat them and rust destroys them, and where thieves break in and steal. <sup>20</sup> Store your treasures in heaven, where moths and rust cannot destroy, and thieves do not break in and steal.  
<sup>21</sup> Wherever your treasure is, there the desires of your heart will also be.



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- Giving is a blessing (Luke 6:38)

Luke 6:38 (NASB) <sup>38</sup> "Give, and it will be given to you. They will pour into your lap a good measure—pressed down, shaken together, and running over. For by your standard of measure it will be measured to you in return."

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- Giving increases faith (Philippians 4:11-13,19)  
Philippians 4:11-13 (NASB) <sup>11</sup> Not that I speak from want, for I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances I am. <sup>12</sup> I know how to get along with humble means, and I also know how to live in prosperity; in any and every circumstance I have learned the secret of being filled and going hungry, both of having abundance and suffering need. <sup>13</sup> I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.  
Philippians 4:19 (NASB) <sup>19</sup> And my God will supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus.



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- Giving pleases God (Philippians 4:18)

Philippians 4:18 (NASB) <sup>18</sup> But I have received everything in full and have an abundance; I am amply supplied, having received from Epaphroditus what you have sent, a fragrant aroma, an acceptable sacrifice, well-pleasing to God.

We are following the example of our Father in heaven:

John 3:16 (NASB) <sup>16</sup> "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.



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# PRACTICES OF A HEALTHY CHRISTIAN

## Grace Giving

The background of the slide features a stylized illustration of two hands, one on the left and one on the right, cupping a globe. The hands are rendered in a dark, textured purple color. The globe is depicted with a marbled pattern in shades of orange, red, and yellow, giving it a glowing, ethereal appearance. The entire scene is set against a plain, light gray background.

**2 Corinthians 8:1-5; 9:6-11 (NASB)**

# Grace Giving

# I. Grace Giving Originates with God Giving

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<sup>1</sup> Now, brethren, we wish to make known to you the grace of God which has been given in the churches of Macedonia,



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2 Corinthians 8:1 (NASB)

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II. Grace Giving is Sacrificial Giving

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<sup>2</sup> that in a great ordeal of affliction  
their abundance of joy and their deep  
poverty overflowed in the wealth of  
their liberality.



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2 Corinthians 8:2 (NASB)

<sup>3</sup> For I testify that according to their ability, and beyond their ability, *they gave of their own accord,*



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2 Corinthians 8:3 (NASB)

4 begging us with much urging for the favor of participation in the support of the saints,

An illustration of two hands raised in prayer, rendered in a dark, textured style that blends with the background. The hands are positioned on the left side of the lower half of the image.

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2 Corinthians 8:4 (NASB)



<sup>6</sup> Now this I say, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.



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2 Corinthians 9:6 (NASB)









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<sup>7</sup> Each one *must* do just as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.



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2 Corinthians 9:7 (NASB)

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<sup>8</sup> And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that always having all sufficiency in everything, you may have an abundance for every good deed;



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2 Corinthians 9:8 (NASB)

<sup>9</sup> as it is written, "HE SCATTERED  
ABROAD, HE GAVE TO THE POOR,  
HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS ENDURES  
FOREVER."



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2 Corinthians 9:9 (NASB)

<sup>10</sup> Now He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness;



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2 Corinthians 9:10 (NASB)

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<sup>11</sup> you will be enriched in everything  
for all liberality, which through us is  
producing thanksgiving to God.

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2 Corinthians 9:11 (NASB)

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**2 Corinthians 8:1-5; 9:6-11 (NASB)**

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<sup>5</sup> and *this*, not as we had expected,  
but they first gave themselves to the  
Lord and to us by the will of God.



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2 Corinthians 8:5 (NASB)

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**2 Corinthians 8:1-5; 9:6-11 (NASB)**

# Grace Giving



"HE IS NO FOOL WHO  
GIVES WHAT HE  
CANNOT KEEP TO  
GAIN THAT WHICH  
HE CANNOT LOSE."

*Jim Elliot*

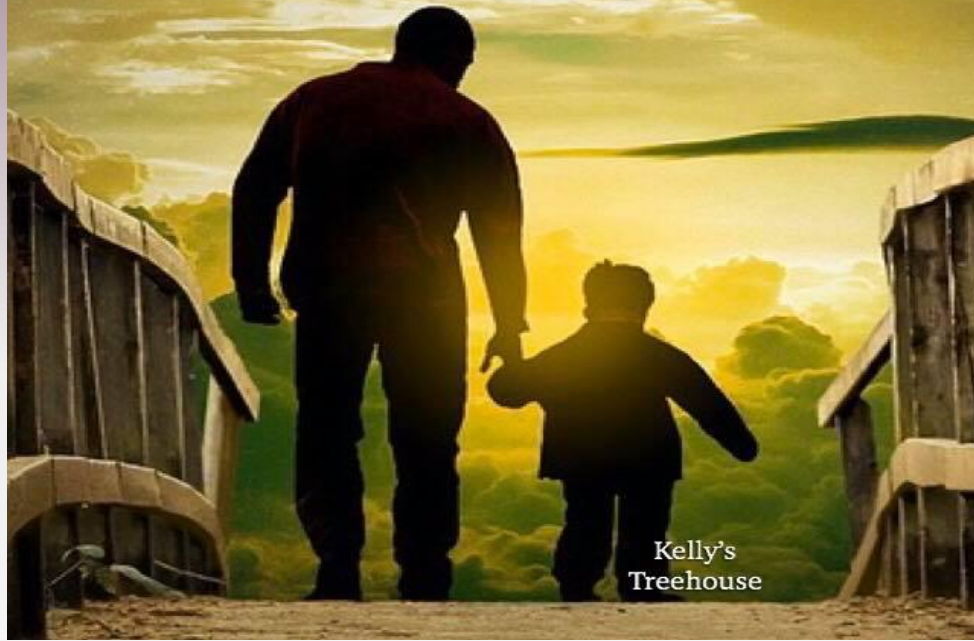


The world says, The more you take,  
the more you have. Christ says, the  
more you give, the more you are.

Frederick Buechner

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My father said there were two  
kinds of people in the world:  
Givers and Takers.  
The takers eat better, but the  
givers sleep better.



Kelly's  
Treehouse

## Questions

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### Questions:

1. I know this is a hard question. But, are you more of a giver or a taker? Reflect on that and then share.
2. Who is one of the greatest "givers" you have ever known?



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## Questions (continued)

3. What thoughts come into your mind that inhibit you from being a “giver?”
4. What encouragements do you think of that help you to give when it just doesn't seem like it is possible for you to give at this moment in time?
5. Can a person truly receive the grace of God through Jesus in their life (2 Corinthians 8:1,9), and not be a giver? If a Christian is not being a gracious giver of all that they possess from God, what does that imply?



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## Questions (continued)

6. How does the example of God in John 3:16 and Jesus in 2 Corinthians 8:1,9 help you to be a better "giver?"

John 3:16 (NASB) 16 "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life.

2 Corinthians 8:9 (NASB) 9 For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor, so that you through His poverty might become rich.

7. Share a time when you gave sacrificially? How did that make you feel? How did it impact others?



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## Questions (continued)

8. In 2 Corinthians 9:7, why does Paul encourage the people to not give under force or grudgingly?
9. What happens to our giving if it is done under force and not with a willing heart (see 1 Corinthians 13:3)?

1 Corinthians 13:3 (NASB) <sup>3</sup> And if I give all my possessions to feed the poor, and if I surrender my body to be burned, but do not have love, it profits me nothing.



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## Questions (continued)

10. Why does God supply more to those who give more?  
(see 2 Corininthians 9:6-10)
11. Does God always supply more money or funds when we give monetarily? How else can God give to us that is not deal with money when we give?
12. Giving produces gratitude (2 Corininthians 9:11,15). Why does giving induce our hearts to give thanks? Do you think our society and church is becoming more grateful? Or more grumbling?



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## Questions (continued)

13. What steps can you take to begin to be more of a giver, rather than a taker?
14. Who in your life right now needs some of the ways you can “give” in order to be able to keep on going?

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