

## II Corinthians ch8-9 Encouraged to Give

*“Didn’t Christ make Himself poor to make you rich?”*

### 8:1-9:15 **READ**

#### 8:1-5

the example of the Macedonians

*“grace”* Grk = *“charis”* = gift

God has partnered with Macedonia

He has included them in His plan

afflicted and poor

vs 2 *“deep poverty”* Grk = *“to the depths”*

vs 2 *“liberality”* Grk = *“simplicity”*

vs 5 *“to the Lord”* reality is giving of self

Rom 12:1 present yourselves

vs 2 created the *“joy”*

vs 3 sacrificially

vs 4 they begged to give

vs 4 *“favor”* = privilege

vs 4 to whom? *“saints”*

NLT *“Jerusalem”* also vss 19, 9:1, 12

other versions editor’s heading only

I Cor 16:1-4 *“Jerusalem”*

#### 8:6-15

the appeal to the Corinthians

vs 6 Titus has already told you about this

9:2 you were ready a year ago

9:3 you’ve been preparing

vs 10-11a it’s time to follow through

vss 7-8, 24 do this in love

vs 8 I am not demanding

9:5, 7 not from coercion

vs 9 didn’t Christ make Himself poor to make you rich?

Phil 2:5-8 *“emptied”*, did not hang onto being God

vss 11b-12 it’s the willingness, not the amount

vss 13-14 spirit of community

vs 15; Ex 16:18 let the need drive you

8:16-24

the importance of accountability

vss 16-17 we're sending Titus

vss 18-19 and another brother

vs 19 ESV *"act of grace"*

vs 19 *"for the glory of the Lord"*

vss 20-21 NLT *"honorable before the Lord"*

vs 21 *"regard for what is honorable"*

vs 21 *"in the sight of the Lord and of man"*

vs 23 Titus is my partner, the others represent other churches

vs 23 NLT *"to bring honor to Christ"*

9:1-5

give intentionally

vs 2 I know you were ready a year ago

vs 2 your willingness made Macedonia enthusiastic

vss 3-5a let's avoid embarrassment

vs 4 especially in front of the Macedonians

vs 5b *"covetousness"*

ESV *"not an exaction"*

NLT *"not grudgingly"*

I Cor 16:2 *"as he may prosper"*

9:6-8

give generously

vs 6 giving blesses the giver

vs 7 do as God leads

vss 8-10 then trust Him to meet your needs

vss 8, 10 God gives each of us enough to give to others

9:9, 11-14

giving is a spiritual thing

vs 9 giving has an eternal result

vs 11 receivers praise God

vs 12 they get what they need, and give thanks to God

vs 13 they see the proof of your faith

vs 14 and they pray for you, seeing God at work in you

9:15

God Himself is the ultimate model for giving

*"His"* = Grk *"of Him"* = not the gift to Jerusalem

*"indescribable"* gift

Grk *"unexplainable"*

ESV *"inexpressible"*

KJV *"unspeakable"*

NLT *"too wonderful for words"*