

The Grace of Giving

HELPFUL SCRIPTURES

SERMON NOTES

Acts 11:27-30

I. The Power of Generous Living, (2 Corinthians 9:6-11)

A. The Principle of Sowing and Reaping, (v. 6), *"Now this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully."*

1. Paul uses the farming metaphor to illustrate generosity...

Proverbs 11:24-25

B. Giving from the Heart, (v. 7), *"So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver."*

1. God is concerned with the attitude behind our giving...

Matthew 6:3-4

2 Samuel 24:24

C. God's Provision, (v. 8), *"And God is able to make all grace abound to you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work."*

1. God's provision is not limited...

Philippians 4:19

D. The Eternal impact of Giving, (v. 9), *“As it is written: ‘He scattered abroad , His gifts to the poor; His righteousness endures forever.’”*

1. Our generosity has an eternal impact...

Proverbs 19:17

Matthew 6:19-20

E. God Multiplies What We Give, (v. 10), *"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."*

1. God provides resources for us to give . . .

Luke 6:38

1 Corinthians 3:6

F. Enriched to be Generous, (v. 11), *“You will be enriched in everything for all liberality, which through us is producing thanksgiving to God.”*

1. God enriches us not just for our benefit but so we can be generous and bless others.

1 Timothy 6:17

CONCLUSIONS:

John 3:16

Acts 2:36-41