

Giving to Get Free Part 4: Giving for God's Glory

II Corinthians 9:1-15

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As you prepare to give, keep in mind...

- A. God rewards those who give generously (verse 6).

“The less I spent on myself and the more I gave to others, the fuller of happiness and blessing did my soul become.”

- Hudson Taylor

“God prospers me not to raise my standard of living, but to raise my standard of giving.”

- From *The Treasure Principle* by Randy Alcorn p. 75

- B. God wants you to give cheerfully what you have decided in your heart to give (verse 7).

“‘God loves a cheerful giver.’ This doesn’t mean we should give only when we’re feeling cheerful. The cheerfulness often comes during and after the act of obedience, not before it. So don’t wait until you feel like giving—it could be a long wait! Just give and watch the joy follow.

- From *The Treasure Principle* by Randy Alcorn pp. 28-29

C. God will provide for your needs (verse 8).

“God sees our faith and finances as inseparable.”

- From *The Treasure Principle* by Randy Alcorn p. 8

D. Give for God's glory (verse 11-13, 15).

“The act of giving is a vivid reminder that it's all about God, not about us. It's saying I am not the point, *He* is the point. He does not exist for me. I exist for Him. God's money has a higher purpose than my affluence. Giving is a joyful surrender to a greater person and a greater agenda. Giving affirms Christ's lordship. It dethrones me and exalts Him.”

- From *The Treasure Principle* by Randy Alcorn p. 59