# Cheerful giving

### 2 Corinthians 9:6-15

### How to give vv 6–7

- generously v 6
- thoughtfully v 7 "what you have decided in your heart to give"
- not reluctantly v 7
- not under pressure v 7
- cheerfully v 7
  - because God gives cheerfully

**Why give?** vv 8–11

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  - "And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need..."
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"He scatters abroad; he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." v 9, quoting Psalm 112:9 **Why give?** vv 8–11

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- You cannot out-give God!

"Will a mere mortal rob God? Yet you rob me." But you ask, "How are we robbing you?"

"In tithes and offerings. You are under a curse—your whole nation—because you are robbing me. Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it."

Malachi 3:8-10

## **Why give?** vv 12–14

so that others' needs are met v 12
so that people give thanks to God vv 12–13

"When we arrived at Jerusalem, the believers received us warmly. The next day Paul and the rest of us went to see James, and all the elders were present. Paul greeted them and reported in detail what God had done among the Gentiles through his ministry. When they heard this, they praised God."

Acts 21:17-20

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- so that the recipients will bless God and love you v 14

We experience God's love in Jesus

The

giving

Relief of need and thanksgiving

We respond in love and generosity to others

We experience more of God's love in Jesus The giving Relief of need and We respond in thanksgiving love and generosity to others

# God is a cheerful giver!

• "Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!" v 15 TNIV

 "Thank God for his Son—his gift too wonderful for words."
 v 15 Living Bible You can get these slides from

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