

**Berean Christian Church**  
**Dr. Kerwin B. Lee, Senior Pastor**

**Bible Study**

March 20, 2018

**Pleasing God with Your Financial Gifts**

**II Corinthians 9:1-7**

Proverbs 16:7 reads, *“When the Lord takes pleasure in anyone’s way, he causes their enemies to make peace with them.”* (NIV) This verse reveals a huge benefit for individuals living a life pleasing to God. One way for believers to gain approval from the Master is to honor Him with the way they utilize their money. Men and women who are able to glorify Jehovah through their finances position themselves to see mighty acts of His power. This lesson is designed to share how to please God with your financial gifts.

**Breakdown of II Corinthians Chapter 9**

- |                             |              |                     |
|-----------------------------|--------------|---------------------|
| 1. The <u>Statements</u>    | about giving | <b>Verses 1-5</b>   |
| 2. The <u>Encouragement</u> | for giving   | <b>Verses 6-9</b>   |
| 3. The <u>Betterment</u>    | from giving  | <b>Verses 10-15</b> |

1. Giving that is done Eagerly is pleasing to the Lord.

**Verse 2**

*“For I know your eagerness to help, and I have been boasting about it to the Macedonians, telling them that since last year you in Achaia were ready to give; and your enthusiasm has stirred most of them to action.”* (CEV)

2. Giving that is done Contagiously is pleasing to the Lord.

**Verse 2**

*“For I know your eagerness to help, and I have been boasting about it to the Macedonians, telling them that since last year you in Achaia were ready to give; and your enthusiasm has stirred most of them to action.”* (CEV)

3. Giving that is done Voluntarily is pleasing to the Lord.

**Verse 5**

*“So I thought it necessary to urge the brothers to visit you in advance and finish the arrangements for the generous gift you had promised. Then it will be ready as a generous gift, not as one grudgingly given.”* (CEV)

4. Giving that is done Generously is pleasing to the Lord.

**Verse 6**

*“Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously.”* (CEV)

(Over)

