

**Sermon Notes**  
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**“THE GRACE OF GIVING”**  
(II Corinthians 8:7)

**Introduction:** There are certain Biblical principles about {GIVING} which apply in all circumstances! (II Corinthians 8:2-3)

**I. GIVING MONEY IS NOT A SUBSTITUTE FOR GIVING {OURSELF}!**

\*II Corinthians 8:5      \*I Peter 3:15

**II. NO OTHER SERVICE FOR JESUS IS A SUBSTITUTE FOR GIVING {FINANCIALLY}.**

\*II Corinthians 8:7      \*I Corinthians 16:2      \*II Corinthians 9:7

**III. OUR GIVING PROVES OUR {LOVE}.**

\*II Corinthians 8:8-9      \*Romans 5:8      \*John 3:16

**Note:** Don't give lip service only! (II Corinthians 8:11)

**IV. TRUE GIVING BEGINS ON THE {INSIDE}.**

\*II Corinthians 8:3      \*II Corinthians 8:12      \*II Corinthians 9:7-8      \*Nehemiah 4:6

**Note:** God wants to know if we are willing? He makes us able!

**V. GOD ONLY EXPECTS US TO GIVE ACCORDING TO OUR {ABILITY}.**

\*II Corinthians 8:12(b)      \*I Corinthians 16:2      \*Luke 12:48      \*Luke 21:1-4

**VI. OUR GIVING CAN {ENCOURAGE} OTHERS TO GIVE.**

\*II Corinthians 9:2