

With God's Gifts
by **Serving Together**

With God's Message
by **Sharing the Gospel**

With God's Love
by **Being Our**
Brother's Keeper

With God's Blessings
by **Giving**

**Be Faithful to the End:
With God's Blessings by Giving**

How?

**Intentionally, Willingly, Cheerfully,
Graciously, Generously, Sacrificially**



BE A GRACIOUS
GIVER

2 Cor 9:7-15

GRACIOUS – one who is marked by love,
kindness, mercy, calmness, and
generosity of spirit

A Gracious Giver is:

1. Determined and Intentional

“Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give ...”

2 Cor 9:7a

True and gracious giving is from the heart.

Don't be a N.A.T.O. Christian

Be a H.B.O. Christian

A Gracious Giver is:

2. Willing

“... not reluctantly or under compulsion ...”

2 Cor 9:7b

He wants to – not forced, coerced, compelled, or cornered.

He is willing – like His Lord Jesus.

“Freely you have received; freely give.”

Mt 10:8

“It is **more blessed to give than to receive.”**

Acts 20:35

A Gracious Giver is:
3. Cheerful

“... For God loves a cheerful giver.”

2 Cor 9:7c

He is happy, glad and thankful to be given the opportunity to give and be a blessing.

A Gracious Giver is:

4. Gracious

“God is able to make **all grace** [*every favour and earthly blessing*] come in abundance to you so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.”

2 Cor 9:8, NKJV

A Gracious Giver is:

4. Gracious

**He is a recipient of God's amazing grace
and he shows it through his giving.**

A Gracious Giver is:

5. Generous

And God is able to bless you abundantly (*bestow abundant grace to you*), so that in all things at all times (*in all situations and circumstances*), having all that you need (*and extra*), you will abound (*expand and be generous and magnanimous*) in every good work.

2 Cor 9:8, NIV

A Gracious Giver is:

5. Generous

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

2 Cor 9:6

A Gracious Giver is:
5. Generous

**God bless you abundantly so that you can
bless and touch more lives for His kingdom
– whether at home, in church, community,
country, world.**

A Gracious Giver is:

5. Generous

“¹⁰ Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. ¹¹ You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.

2 Cor 9:10-11

A Gracious Giver is:

6. Sacrificial

The more you give, the more you want to give.

You live simply so that you can give more.

You will be like Jesus.

A Gracious Giver is:

6. Sacrificial

“For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich (abundantly blessed).”

2 Cor 8:9

**RESULT of your intentional, willing, cheerful, gracious,
generous, sacrificial giving:**

“¹² This service (*gift/offering/help*) that you perform is not only supplying the needs of the Lord’s people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God.

¹³ Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, others will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else.

2 Cor 9:12-15

**RESULT of your intentional, willing, cheerful, gracious,
generous, sacrificial giving:**

“¹⁴ And in their prayers for you their hearts will go out to you, because of the surpassing grace God has given you.

¹⁵ Thanks be to God for his indescribable (*beyond words*) gift (*of Christ and His grace*)!”

2 Cor 9:12-15



God knows your heart.

**He takes note of your
giving and service, and
He knows how and when
to reward you.**



CHALLENGE

- 1. Be an intentional, willing, cheerful, gracious, generous and sacrificial giver to glorify God and not self.**
- 2. Give your life totally to God first** and the giving your time, talents, skills, tithes, offerings, mission pledges, donations and other resources will not be an issue.
- 3. Ask God to bless you abundantly and use you mightily** to touch more lives for His kingdom before Jesus returns.