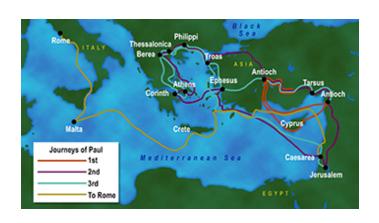


THREE KEY INDICATORS OF OUR DEVOTION TO GOD:
TIME... MONEY... RELATIONSHIPS

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25AT PRESENT, HOWEVER, I AM GOING TO JERUSALEM BRINGING AID TO THE SAINTS. 26FOR MACEDONIA AND ACHAIA HAVE BEEN PLEASED TO MAKE SOME CONTRIBUTION

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FOR THE POOR AMONG THE SAINTS AT JERUSALEM.

***FOR THEY WERE PLEASED TO DO IT,

AND INDEED THEY OWE IT TO THEM.

FOR IF THE GENTILES HAVE COME TO SHARE IN THEIR SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS, THEY OUGHT ALSO TO BE OF SERVICE TO THEM IN MATERIAL BLESSINGS.—ROMANS 15:25-27

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"BLESSED ARE THE FUNDRAISERS IN HEAVEN;
THEY SHALL STAND ON THE RIGHT HAND OF THE MARTYRS."
—JOHN R. MOTT

I'WE WANT YOU TO KNOW, BROTHERS, ABOUT THE GRACE
OF GOD THAT HAS BEEN GIVEN AMONG THE CHURCHES OF
MACEDONIA, 2FOR IN A SEVERE TEST OF AFFLICTION,
THEIR ABUNDANCE OF JOY AND THEIR EXTREME POVERTY
HAVE OVERFLOWED IN A WEALTH OF GENEROSITY ON
THEIR PART. 3FOR THEY GAVE ACCORDING TO THEIR MEANS,
AS I CAN TESTIFY, AND BEYOND THEIR MEANS,
OF THEIR OWN ACCORD, 4BEGGING US EARNESTLY FOR THE
FAVOR OF TAKING PART IN THE RELIEF OF THE SAINTS—

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SAND THIS, NOT AS WE EXPECTED,
BUT THEY GAVE THEMSELVES FIRST TO THE LORD AND
THEN BY THE WILL OF GOD TO US. *ACCORDINGLY,
WE URGED TITUS THAT AS HE HAD STARTED, SO HE
SHOULD COMPLETE AMONG YOU THIS ACT OF GRACE.

7BUT AS YOU EXCEL IN EVERYTHING—IN FAITH, IN SPEECH,
IN KNOWLEDGE, IN ALL EARNESTNESS,
AND IN OUR LOVE FOR YOU—SEE THAT YOU EXCEL
IN THIS ACT OF GRACE ALSO. —2 CORINTHIANS 8:1-7

"THE CALL TO FOLLOW CHRIST CANNOT BE ISOLATED OR SEPARATED FROM A CALL TO GIVE."

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"GIVING IS AN ACT OF WORSHIP, GIVING IS AN EVIDENCE OF DISCIPLESHIP, GIVING IS A DEMONSTRATION OF FAITH. GIVING IS A MEANS OF PARTNERSHIP. GIVING IS A CAUSE FOR JOY. GIVING IS THE PATHWAY

OF BLESSING IN YOUR LIFE, FAMILY AND OUR CHURCH."

—YOUR PASTOR

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I. GENEROSITY IS ROOTED IN GOD'S GRACE, NOT OUR CIRCUMSTANCES 'JESUS LOOKED UP AND SAW THE RICH PUTTING
THEIR GIFTS INTO THE OFFERING BOX, ²AND HE SAW
A POOR WIDOW PUT IN TWO SMALL COPPER COINS.

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JAND HE SAID, "TRULY, I TELL YOU, THIS POOR WIDOW HAS PUT IN MORE THAN ALL OF THEM. "FOR THEY ALL CONTRIBUTED OUT OF THEIR ABUNDANCE,

BUT SHE OUT OF HER POVERTY PUT IN ALL SHE HAD TO LIVE ON."

-LUKE 21:1-4

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2. GENEROSITY TAKES US TO THE ALTAR, NOT THE BANK

AND THIS, NOT AS WE EXPECTED, BUT THEY GAVE THEMSELVES FIRST TO THE LORD AND THEN BY THE WILL OF GOD TO US.

-2 CORINTHIANS 8:5

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"APPARENTLY MANY CHRISTIANS DON'T BELIEVE GOD'S PROMISES. THEY CARRY AROUND THE IDEA THAT THEY HAVE TO PROTECT EVERYTHING THEY HAVE AND HOLD ON TO IT. THEY BECOME HOARDERS AND THEY BECOME STINGY AND THEY BECOME SELF-INDULGENT AND PROTECTIVE. IT'S REALLY A MATTER OF FAITH. IT'S A QUESTION OF TRUST AND BELIEF. YOU EITHER BELIEVE IT OR YOU DON'T. IF YOU DO, YOU GIVE BECAUSE GIVING IS MORE BLESSED AND GIVING CAUSES GOD TO GIVE BACK IN GREATER ABUNDANCE."—JOHN MACARTHUR

3. GENEROSITY EXPANDS THE BORDERS/BOUNDARIES OF OUR LIVES AND INCREASES BLESSING FOR OTHERS

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BUT AS YOU EXCEL IN EVERYTHING—IN FAITH, IN SPEECH, IN KNOWLEDGE, IN ALL EARNESTNESS, AND IN OUR LOVE FOR YOU—SEE THAT YOU EXCEL IN THIS ACT OF GRACE ALSO. —2 COR. 8:7

"A STINGY HEART BREEDS AN EMPTY LIFE."
"THE GREATEST EMPTINESS IN LIFE IS A LACK OF GRATITUDE."

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