

II Corinthians Series

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Key verse- v. 8 *“And God is able to make all
grace abound toward you...”*

Theme- The God of Great Ability

How does God use people to manifest this ability?

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The reputation of Corinthian Church v. 1- 5

Paul's experience with the Church at Corinth originally:

- Paul came to Corinth on 2nd missionary tour after answering the Macedonian call
- This Church was borne out of the Jewish synagogue
- The LORD directly told Paul to stay there to minister, because the LORD “*...had much people in the city*”

Acts 18: 9- 11

- He stayed in Corinth for 18 months

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The reputation of Corinthian Church **v. 1- 5**

Paul obviously left the Church to travel back to Jerusalem the first time with an offering from Corinth to the hurting brethren in Jerusalem *v. 1*

This was a lively, vibrant, zealous Church when he left it *v. 2*

Paul used the original offering given by Corinth as an expression of love & sacrifice, to encourage the churches he visited on his 3rd missionary tour (Galatia, Phrygia, Macedonia) *Acts 18: 23*

On his 3rd tour, while still in Philippi, Paul sent men to Corinth to help them prepare for another offering for the saints at Jerusalem *v. 3- 5*

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Paul's instruction is a universal truth: v. 7

Sow much → reap much

Sow little → reap little

God looks on the attitude of the heart

Grudgingly = not / *Pet 4: 9 = sadness, grief, heaviness*

Cheerful = *hilaros* = *prompt, willing to be gracious*

= propitious = favorable, kind, disposed to be gracious

If you don't have the right heart- **give anyway**,
because Jesus said, "... *for where your treasure is, there will*
(in the future) your heart be also." Matt 6: 21

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Either way (by much or by little), God is going to:

- Strengthen your weakness v. 8 *II Cor 12: 9*
- Re-supply what you gave v. 8 *Phil 4: 19*
- Cause you to do better v. 8 *Prov 11: 24- 25*
- Cause you to be better in other unrelated areas v. 8; *Gal 6: 6- 8*
- Reward you for your faithfulness v. 9; *Matt 6: 4; I Cor 3: 11- 14*
- Multiply your fruits of righteousness v. 10
- Enrich you bountifully, & cause others to be thankful to God because of you v. 11, 12, 13 *Luke 6: 38*
- Cause others to pray for you to receive help from God v. 14



All because you gave



Thanks be unto God for His unspeakable GIFT !!!!!!!!!