

**Intro. – Spiritual Gifts are a hot topic in religious circles today.**

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- It is interesting to note that we rarely debate about the gifts still available today.

**I. Background II Corinthians 8-9**

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**II. Elements of Gracious Giving**

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- Paul mentions 7 elements of gracious giving in II Corinthians 8-9.

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1. Gracious giving is \_\_\_\_\_ vs. 8:1-4

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2. Gracious giving is \_\_\_\_\_ vs. 5-7

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3. Gracious giving is \_\_\_\_\_ vs. 8-12

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4. Gracious giving is \_\_\_\_\_ vs. 13-15

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5. Gracious giving is \_\_\_\_\_ vs. 16-25

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6. Gracious giving is \_\_\_\_\_ vs. 9:1-5

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7. Gracious giving is \_\_\_\_\_ vs. 6-7

- Gracious giving is gracious because:

- It fills the giver \_\_\_\_\_
- It fills the benefactor \_\_\_\_\_
- It fills the heavens \_\_\_\_\_

### III. The Blessings of Gracious Giving

- Acts 20:35 \_\_\_\_\_

- In chapter 9:8-14 Paul describes two of the blessings that come to gracious givers:

1. The giver will be \_\_\_\_\_ vs. 8-11

Greater peace \_\_\_\_\_

Greater ability \_\_\_\_\_

Greater harmony \_\_\_\_\_

Greater feeling \_\_\_\_\_

Greater opportunity \_\_\_\_\_

Greater increase \_\_\_\_\_

The opportunity to \_\_\_\_\_

2. The giver will be \_\_\_\_\_ vs. 12-15

Matthew 5:16 \_\_\_\_\_

### Summary/Invitation

- “Why not fundraisers to bring in money?” \_\_\_\_\_

- Freewill offering on the Lord’s day achieves all the spiritual objectives associated with giving. \_\_\_\_\_

- Invitation is twofold:

1. Please give your \_\_\_\_\_ to Christ.

2. Please give your \_\_\_\_\_ to Christ.

Which have you given? \_\_\_\_\_

Which is left to give? \_\_\_\_\_

When will you give Christ your \_\_\_\_\_ ?