

How to Give to God

(2 Corinthians 9:1-15)

Introduction: The Corinthians promised to give.
They are now challenged to follow through (v.1-5)

Give God YOURSELF,
before you give Him your money
– 2 Corinthians 8:5

* **How should you GIVE to the work of the Lord?**

I. Give BOUNTIFULLY
(*"soweth bountifully" – 9:6*)

II. Give RESOLUTELY
(*"according as he purposeth in his heart"
– 9:7a*)

III. Give CHEERFULLY
(*"God loveth a cheerful giver" – 9:7b*)

IV. Give EXPECTANTLY
(*"God is able to make all grace abound toward you" – 9:8-12*)

A. Expect God to give back to you (v.8-10)

B. Expect God to be glorified (v.11-13)

C. Expect God's people to pray for you and appreciate your ministry (v.14)

1 Corinthians 16:1-4

1. Give UNSELFISHLY
(*"the collection for the saints" - v.1*)
2. Give REGULARLY
(*"upon the first day of the week" - v.2a*)
3. Give PERSONALLY (Individually)
(*"let every one of you..." - v.2b*)
4. Give DECISIVELY
(*"lay by him in store" - v.2c*)
5. Give PROPORTIONATELY
(*"As God hath prospered him" - v.2d*)
6. Give ANONYMOUSLY
(*"that there be no gatherings when I come" - v.2c*)
7. Give RESPONSIBLY
(*"whomsoever ye shall approve...them will I send" - v.3-4*)
8. Give SACRIFICIALLY
(*"in a great trial of affliction...and their deep poverty" – 2 Cor. 8:1-4*)
9. Give WILLINGLY
(*"if there be first a willing mind" – 8:11-12*)