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Impact: Supporting Your Local Church The Impact of My Attitude

2 Corinthians 9:1–8 (HCSB)

Now concerning the ministry to the saints, it is unnecessary for me to write to you. ² For I know your eagerness, and I brag about you to the Macedonians: “Achaia has been prepared since last year,” and your zeal has stirred up most of them. ³ But I sent the brothers so our boasting about you in the matter would not prove empty, and so you would be prepared just as I said. ⁴ For if any Macedonians come with me and find you unprepared, we, not to mention you, would be embarrassed in that situation. ⁵ Therefore I considered it necessary to urge the brothers to go on ahead to you and arrange in advance the generous gift you promised, so that it will be ready as a gift and not as an extortion. ⁶ Remember this: The person who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the person who sows generously will also reap generously. ⁷ Each person should do as he has decided in his heart - not reluctantly or out of necessity, for God loves a cheerful giver. ⁸ And God is able to make every grace overflow to you, so that in every way, always having everything you need, you may excel in every good work.

1. MY ATTITUDE IMPACTS MY _____ TOWARD MY GIVING v 2

- We should look for _____ to give.
- Our enthusiasm toward generosity is contagious.
- We should be _____ that God lets us join Him.

2. MY ATTITUDE IMPACTS THE _____ I GIVE v 6

- The principle of sowing and reaping directly applies to our stewardship.
- God looks more at our _____ than how much we give.

Luke 6:38 (HCSB)

“Give, and it will be given to you; a good measure - pressed down, shaken together, and running over - will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured back to you.”

3. MY ATTITUDE IMPACTS THE _____ THAT I GIVE v 7

- We must determine our ability to give.
- We must give because we want to give.
- We must give with genuine joy.

4. MY ATTITUDE IMPACTS GOD’S _____ TO MY GIVING v 8

- God lavishes His _____ upon His stewards.
- God’s provision for us never misses any area of our lives.
- God _____ all we need to accomplish His plan.

The Next Step:

Develop the attitude of a generous giver to impact the kingdom.