

MORNING WORSHIP

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Text: 2 Corinthians 9

Title: "AS IT IS WRITTEN: HE HAS DISPERSED ABROAD, HE HAS GIVEN TO THE POOR"

(I) AS IT IS WRITTEN

- 1. It covers doctrine**
- 2. It covers life as well**

(II) MINISTRY TO THE SAINTS

- 1. The church in Macedonia (2 Corinthians 8:1)**
- 2. The church in Corinth (2 Corinthians 9:2a)**
- 3. The church in Achaia (2 Corinthians 9:2b)**

(III) FRANK AND PRACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS

- 1. Be ready (2 Corinthians 9:3)**
- 2. Not caught unprepared (2 Corinthians 9:4)**
- 3. Prepare generous gift ahead of time (2 Corinthians 9:5a)**
- 4. Fulfilling what was promised (2 Corinthians 9:5b)**
- 5. A matter of generosity and not obligation (2 Corinthians 9:5c)**

(IV) GOD'S WORD ON THE SUBJECT OF GIVING

- 1. General Principle of giving (2 Corinthians 9:6)**
 - a) Sowing
 - b) Reaping

2. Personal principle (2 Corinthians 9:7)

- a) As he purposes in his heart
- b) Not grudgingly
- c) Nor of necessity
- d) Cheerfully

3. Important Biblical Understanding

- a) God loves a cheerful giver (**2 Corinthians 9:7**)
- b) God is able to make all grace abound (**2 Corinthians 9:8**)
- c) Sufficiency and abundance (**2 Corinthians 9:8**)
- d) God disperses abroad (**2 Corinthians 9:9**) (Cf. **Psalm 112:9**)
 - i) He gives to the poor
 - ii) His righteousness endures forever