

2 CORINTHIANS | THE CHEERFUL GIVER

2 COR. 9:1-15

Often people are either givers or takers. Either they are contributors in the different spheres of their life (family, church, work, community, school) or they are a drain in those spheres, asking, "What's in it for me?" Those of us who have trusted in Christ want to be characterized as being givers and not takers. We recognize what Jesus sacrificed for us and in turn we want to give Him our very lives. We are to be those who long to be generous people. God doesn't only want us to be generous. He also wants us to be joyful in our generosity. Paul challenged the Corinthians to be just that. How must a joyful, generous giver live out their faith?

1. A joyful, generous giver must turn _____ into _____.
2. A joyful generous giver produces a generous _____ and receives God's _____.
3. A joyful generous giver receives from God what is _____ to complete good works, and those works are remembered _____.
4. A joyful, generous giver is _____ by God and brings _____ to God.
5. A joyful, generous giver finds _____ in the _____ of all gifts, the Lord Jesus Christ.