

2 Corinthians 8-9

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- 15 As it is written [grace]
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Glory to God

Chapter 9

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- 9-11 Plenty-supply
- 11-15 Thanks to God
Glory to God, Gospel of Christ
Thanks be to God, indescribable gift

8:24 – Therefore show these men the proof of your love
and the reason for our pride in you, so that the churches can see it.

1. Comparison is not always bad: be inspired by other churches
2. Gospel giving is not just prudent: it is paradoxical, prodigal, present-focused and people-dependent
3. Gospel giving is not just for our church: the real miracle is giving to other churches
4. Love is not just words: it involves transfers of cash
5. The gospel is not just the shape or starting point for giving: it is all grace from first to last
6. Gospel giving does not produce control: it produces thanks and glory to God

Gospel of Christ → Joy → Giving → Thanks → Glory to God

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