

Message Notes

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*Generous Living: A Plan
2 Corinthians 8:1-5
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- Without a financial plan, we'll _____ opportunities to live generously.

If you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth,
who will trust you with true riches? Luke 16:11

The Generosity Of The Macedonian Churches

- You _____ have to _____ to be generous. 2 Cor 8:2,4,12; Lk 21:1-4
- God's _____ ignites a "_____ to" & a "_____ to" spirit. 2 Cor 8:1,7,9
- Helps you _____ reality, _____ a plan & _____ action. 2 Cor 8:3; Lk 15:17-19
- See yourself now as God's _____ & not the _____. 1 Chron 29:14
- Give yourself first to the _____ & then to _____. 2 Cor 8:5; Jn 6:9-13

In the midst of a very severe trial, their overflowing joy and their
extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. 2 Corinthians 8:2

An Adjustable Starter Plan

- _____ the first _____% to the Lord. Lev 27:30; Prov 3:9-10; Mal 3:8-10; Mt 23:23
- _____ the next _____% for the future/emergencies. Prov 6:6-8; 13:11; Gal 6:5
- _____ within _____ means with the other _____. Prov 21:20; Heb 13:5
- God gives us money to grow our _____ & heart _____. Lev 23:22
- Giving our _____ & _____ advances His mission.
- Having a plan can free us to _____ & bless _____. Acts 4:32; Eph 4:28

They gave themselves first to the Lord, and then to us in keeping with God's will.
2 Corinthians 8:5 (NIV84)

- How can I keep getting _____ as I _____ God's _____?

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Playing It Out

(Practicing the 10-10-80 plan based on 8% interest)

If your household income is **\$30,000** & you stay on plan
for 30 years with no increases to your income...

You'll be able to give **\$90,000** to God's work in the world,
and potentially save **\$372,590** for the future.

If your household income is **\$60,000** & you stay on plan
for 30 years with no increases to your income...

You'll be able to give **\$180,000** to God's work in the world,
and potentially save **\$745,180** for the future.

If your household income is **\$90,000** & you stay on plan
for 30 years with no increases to your income...

You'll be able to give **\$270,000** to God's work in the world,
and potentially save **\$1,117,770** for the future.

If your household income is **\$120,000** & you stay on plan
for 30 years with no increases to your income...

You'll be able to give **\$360,000** to God's work in the world,
and potentially save **\$1,490,359** for the future.

If your household income is **\$150,000** & you stay on plan
for 30 years with no increases to your income...

You'll be able to give **\$450,000** to God's work in the world,
and potentially save **\$1,862,949** for the future.