

# Paul's Second Epistle to the Corinthians

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# Outline of 2 Corinthians

- **1:1-2** - Greeting
- **1:3 – 7:16** – Paul's Ministry Explained
- **8:1 – 9:15** – The Collection
- **10:1 – 13:10** – Paul's Apostleship Defended
- **13:11-14** – Closing Admonitions

# Paul's Third Journey



# 2 Corinthians 9

- **9:1-5** – The preparation of giving
- **9:6-11** – The supplier of giving
- **9:12-14** – The results of giving
- **9:15** – The praise of giving

# What Is Giving?

- Grace (8:1, 4, 6, 7, 19)
- Liberality [lit. singleness] (8:2)
- Fellowship / ministering (8:4)
- Self-sacrificing (8:5)
- Proof of love (8:8, 24)

# What Is Giving?

- Equality (8:14-15)
- Glory to the Lord (8:19)
- Readiness (8:19)
- Bounty / gift (8:20)
- Blessing / gift (9:5)

# Principles of Giving

- Sacrifice (8:2-5)
- Ability (8:11-12)
- Equality (8:13-15)

# Local Church Benevolence To Saints Only

Reference	Who?	To Whom?
1. Acts 2:44-45	Jerusalem church	Believers
2. Acts 4:32-37	Jerusalem church	Believers
3. Acts 6:1-6	Jerusalem church	Disciples
4. Acts 11:27-30	Antioch church	Brethren / Judaea
5. Rom. 15:25-31	Macedonia / Achaia	Saints
6. 1 Cor. 16:1-4	Galatia / Corinth	Saints
7. 2 Cor. 8-9	Macedonia / Corinth	Saints
8. 1 Tim. 5:16	The Church	Widow (faithful)



# Individual Benevolence To All

Reference	Who?	To Whom?
Mt. 19:21	Individual	The poor
Mt. 25:35-45	Individual	Brethren
Lk. 10:36-37	Individual	Neighbor
Acts 10:2	Individual	The people
Gal. 6:10	Individual	All men
Heb. 13:1	Individual	Strangers
Jas. 1:27	Individual	Widows / orphans
1 Tim. 5:16	Individual	Widows (not desolate)

# General Benevolence to All

General  
Benevolence  
Churches  
of Christ

**Benevolence**

Where is  
the scripture?

Saints  
Non-saints  
Politics  
Schools  
Orphanages  
Camps  
Hospitals  
Recreation  
Other causes

# The Bible Pattern of Giving & Receiving

Giving  
Church(es)

**Direct Benevolence**

Receiving  
Church(es)

Acts 11:30  
1 Cor. 16:3  
2 Cor. 8:19

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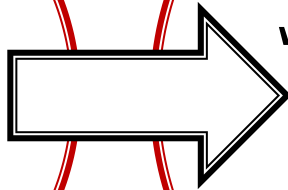
**Direct Evangelism**

2 Cor. 11:8-9  
Phil. 4:15-16

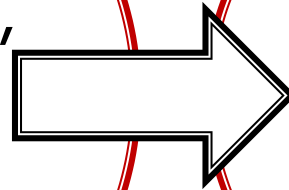
Receiving  
Preacher(s)

# The “Sponsoring Church” Arrangement

Giving  
Church(es)



Receiving \$\$  
“Sponsoring”  
Church  
Giving \$\$



Receiving  
Church(es)  
Preacher(s)

Where is the scripture?

# NT Pattern vs. the Sp. Church

- Direct giving vs. an indirect “middle man”
- Giving church(es) and receiving church(es) are different vs. the sp. church being both a receiving church and giving church at the same time

# NT Pattern vs. the Sp. Church

- The receiving church was in “want” vs. the sp. church that is not in “want”
- The receiving church faced a need/want of no fault of their own vs. a sp. church that creates a need and then begs other churches to help with it (a “brotherhood project”)

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# The Collection (1 Cor. 16:1-2)

- Program – “Now concerning the collection for the saints”
- Prescribed – “As I gave order to the churches of Galatia, so also do ye”
- Periodic – “Upon the first day of the week”

# The Collection (1 Cor. 16:1-2)

- Personal – “Let each one of you”
- Prepared – “Lay by him in store”
- Proportionate – “As he may prosper”

# The Collection (1 Cor. 16:1-2)

- Preventive – “That no collection be made when I come”

# The Giving (2 Cor. 8-9)

- Give graciously (8:1,4,6,7,9,19)
- Give liberally (8:2)
- Give fraternally (8:4)
- Give sacrificially (8:5)

# The Giving (2 Cor. 8-9)

- Give sincerely (8:8-9, 24)
- Give readily (8:10-12; 9:1-5)
- Give ably (8:11-12)
- Give equitably (8:13-15)

# The Giving (2 Cor. 8-9)

- Give wisely (8:16-24)
- Give promptly (9:1-5)
- Give bountifully (9:6)
- Give purposefully (9:7)

# The Giving (2 Cor. 8-9)

- Give cheerfully (9:7)
- Give generously (9:8-10)
- Give reverently (9:11-15)