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Series: enTRUSTed | stewards of God's good gifts

Sermon Title: The Bountiful Blessings of Being Cheerful Giver

Scripture: 2 Corinthians 9:1-15

Main Idea: Joyful generosity to God's Kingdom brings God's eternal generosity into clear view.

OUTLINE

- 1. Ready hearts make ready habits (1-5)
- 2. You get to reap what you sow (6)
- 3. God loves a cheerful giver (7)
- 4. God loves to supply for your giving & multiply its impact (8-11a).
- 5. God is glorified through thanksgiving (11b-13).
- 6. Mutual thanksgiving breeds unity in the Spirit (14-15).

## **DISCUSSION GUIDE**

- 1. What has been encouraging for you in this series, enTRUSTed: stewards of God's good gifts? What has been challenging?
- 2. What are the three spiritual habits discussed by Jesus in Matthew 6?
- 3. Read 2 Cor 9 as a group. What is the point of Paul's message in this chapter?
- 4. How can we develop ready hearts that lead to ready habits in our everyday lives?
- 5. Why is it important for each person to decide in their heart what to give?
- 6. What steps can you take to ensure that your giving is motivated by love rather than obligation?
- 7. How does the principle of reaping what you sow apply to areas outside of giving, such as forgiveness or kindness?
- 8. How does joyful giving contribute to God's glory being praised, according to 2 Corinthians 9:11b-13?
- 9. What is the significance of mutual thanksgiving and its impact on unity in the church?
- 10. In what way(s) has God called you to grow in your relationship with Him as it relates to stewardship? Are you following Him?

Close by reading Psalm 112 before spending time in prayer: spend time in extended

thanksgiving before moving to asking God to massage the principles of this series into our

hearts as a church family.