

Overflowing Joy

2 Cor. 8:1-7, 9:6-15

We aren't naturally generous.

1. How do we see God's grace?
 - a. When God personally demonstrates it. (v 1)
 - b. When it spills out of us onto others. (v 2)
2. How should we measure our giving?
 - a. Is it proportional? (v 3)
 - b. Is it sacrificial? (v 3)
 - c. Is it voluntary? (v 3-4)
 - d. Is it obedient? (v 5)
3. Why is generosity safe? "What if ...?" (2 Cor. 9:6-12)
 - a. God reciprocates. (v 6)
 - b. We're doing something God loves. (v 7)
 - c. God restocks our inventory. (v 8, 10, 11)
 - d. Generosity makes others thankful to God. (v 11-12)
4. Some cautions ...
 - a. It's not an obligation. (v 9:7)
 - b. It's not an investment plan. (v 9:11)
 - c. It's not a popularity contest. (Matt. 6:1-2)
 - d. It's meant for God's glory. (2 Cor. Chapters 8 and 9)

Challenge