A scenic autumn forest path with vibrant foliage and a bright light source in the distance. The path is covered in fallen leaves, and the trees are in various stages of autumn color, from green to deep red. The light source creates a bright glow and a lens flare effect, illuminating the path and the surrounding trees.

The Grace of Giving

“Grace” (*charis*) in 2 Corinthians 8-9

the *grace* of God which has been given... (2 Cor. 8:1)

begging us... for the *favor* of participation (v. 4)

complete in you this *gracious* work (v. 6)

see that you abound in this *gracious* work (v. 7)

you know the *grace* of our Lord Jesus Christ (v. 9)

thanks be to God (v. 16)

this *gracious* work (v. 19)

God is able to make all *grace* abound to you (9:8)

because of the surpassing *grace* of God in you (v. 14)

thanks be to God for his indescribable gift (v. 15)



MOTIVATION for giving

2 Corinthians 8:1-9

The gift of God's Son (verse 9)

The power of God's grace in our lives
(verse 1-4, Acts 4:33-35, 11:23,27-30)

The bountiful gifts we offer (verse 6-7,19)

Applications

Why do you give?

Commanded (Gal. 6:10)

Not commanded (2 Cor. 8:8)

As proof of the sincerity of your love – because of grace

How much do you give?

You decide!

According to what you have (2 Cor. 8:12)

Not for your poverty (2 Cor. 8:13)

Completely voluntary (2 Cor. 9:7)




REWARD for giving

2 Corinthians 9:6-15

Generous giving is its own reward (Acts 20:35)

Generous giving reaps righteousness
(verses 8-11, Psalm 112)

Generous reaps glory to God (verse 12-15)

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