

SERMON SERIES: A BIBLE BELIEVING CHURCH

PRINCIPLES OF CHRISTIAN GIVING

1 Corinthians 16:1-4

INTRODUCTION:

Today, we will study “Principles of Christian Giving.” Christian Giving is not just a duty or obligation, but a way of living out our faith and demonstrating Christ’s love to others. Christian Giving is to be done freely, joyfully, and without anticipating anything in return.

- “Every man according as he purposed in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver” (2 Cor 9:7).

In this message, we will study five principles related to Christian Giving:

- I. **OUR GIVING IS AN ACT OF WORSHIP** (v. 1)
 - A. “The Collection for the Saints” (1 Cor 10:21)
 - B. The Collection referred to was a special offering.
 - C. The Holy Spirit encourages the Church of today to give:
 - D. Our Giving should be Holy and Spiritual

- II. **OUR GIVING SHOULD BE SYATEMATIC** (v. 2a)
 - A. Paul encouraged the Saints to give to the Church on “the first day of the week”
 - B. Christians of today, give on The Lord’s Day during the church service.
 - C. Paul makes it clear that we should not let our Tithes accumulate at home (v. 2a).

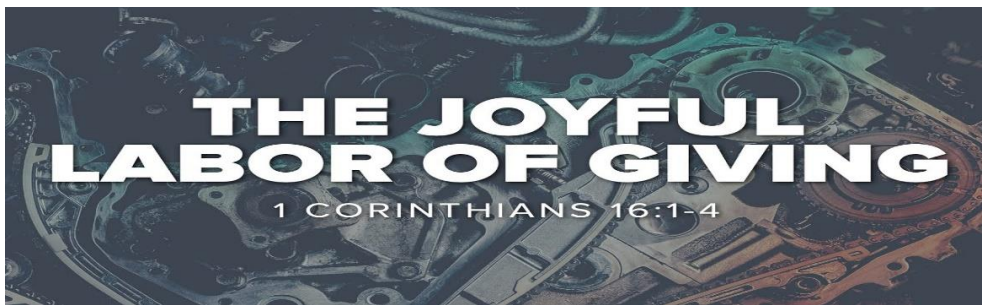
- III. **OUR GIVING SHOULD BE PERSONAL** (v. 2b)
 - A. Who is to Give? – “Everyone of You” (v. 2b) – Everybody
 - B. How are we to Give? By laying in store – setting aside our offering (v. 2c).
 - C. Every Christian is a Stewart of God’s Blessings (Mark 12:41-44).
 - D. Jesus said in Luke 16:10 – “He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much: and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much” (Luke 16:10).
 - E. Jesus commanded in Matt 10:8 – “Freely you have received, freely give.”
 - F. Those who do not give as they should, miss God’s Blessings.

- IV. **OUR GIVING IS TO BE PROPORTIONAL** (v. 2c)
 - A. A Tithe of (10%) is a good place to start in your giving.
 - B. Believers who have more should give more – “To whom much is given, much will be required” (Luke 12:48).
 - C. You may say, “I don’t have 10% to Give – Will God Bless me?”
 - D. You may say, “I can’t tithe to the church – Bills, Bills, Bills
 - E. The Man Who Gave 90 Percent

- V. **OUR MONEY IS TO BE HANDLED HONESTLY** (vv. 3-4)
 - A. Paul wanted some trusted individuals to handle the money.
 - B. Handling God’s Money is a Sacred Trust

CONCLUSION:

- A. Christian Giving is God's Way of financing the Church.**
- B. Giving Should Be An Act of Worship, Systematic, Personal, Proportional, and Handled Honestly.**
- C. In 2 Corinthians 8:5, there is something that God wants more than your money. He would like to have You. If He gets You, He will get your money. Give Yourself to Christ (2 Cor 8:5).**
- D. God gave His Son to us
Jesus Gave His Life for us**
- E. "And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved" (Acts 2:21).**
 - **"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved" (Rom 10:13).**



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"... the word of our God shall stand for ever" (Isa 40:8).