"Exceeding Grace of God" 2 Corinthians 9:1-15 10/29/23

Today, we'd like to see the title of "Exceeding Grace of God" in 2 Corinthians 9:1-15. To Online Word's souls, *through MP3 or YouTube Channel*, on the earth, we'd like to suggest the 3

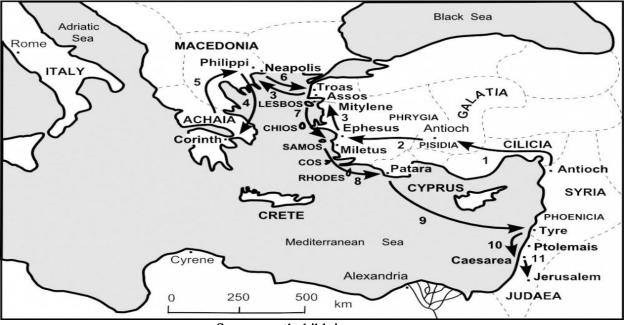
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Q1. In verse 6, "But this *I say:* He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully," what does it mean? And how can we apply it to our lives?

Q2. In verse 7, "So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver," what does it mean? And what can we learn from here?

Q3. In verses 14-15, "and by their prayer for you, who long for you because of the exceeding grace of God in you. ¹⁵ Thanks *be* to God for His indescribable gift!" what do these mean? And what can we learn from here?

(Background for context of this text on Daily Bible Reading and Studying Weekly Book Basis)



Paul's 3rd Mission Trip (Acts 18:23 - 21:16) 53-57AD

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In the 3rd mission trip (53-57 AD) at Philippi in Macedonia area, Paul met Titus, who has informed the response to the 1st Corinthians to Paul. Paul is going to come to Corinth on his way to Jerusalem to take up offering or gift in the Gentile churches to God for the church in Jerusalem. This chapter 9 is a beautiful convincing/persuasive letter to make sure the ready offering after a few brothers ahead of him to make sure their offering was ready in the light of 2 Corinthians 8:10-12, "And in this I give advice: It is to your advantage not only to be doing what you began and were desiring to do a year ago; ¹¹ but now you also must complete the doing of

it; that as there was a readiness to desire it, so there also may be a completion out of what you have. ¹² For if there is first a willing mind, it is accepted according to what one has, and not according to what he does not have." In the last time, in 2 Cor 8:24, "Therefore show to them, and before the churches, the proof of your love and of our boasting on your behalf," Paul encouraged you the Corinthians to show Jesus' love to the church in Jerusalem and prove it to all the churches including the churches in Macedonia or Achaia area. Hereby, our boasting of Christ's working in you may be justified.

(Thank you for your prayer support. Paul Footstep tour for education and evangelism has been amazingly done by the exceeding grace of God. Soli Deo Gloria!

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TEXT: NKJV [KJV]	Inductive Explanation in context & syntax
¹ Now concerning the ministering to the saints, it is superfluous for me to write to you;	1= (Your really don't need for me to write these things to you because you already practice this kind of offering, gift, donation, or generosity)
² for I know your willingness, about which I boast of you to the Macedonians, that Achaia was ready a year ago; and your zeal has stirred up the majority.	2= (your willing mind to donate a year ago, previously stated to the churches of Macedonia area, encouraged the churches of Achaia area, see above map. Your willingness, zeal, or desire to donate has strongly encouraged other people to donate)
³ Yet I have sent the brethren, lest our boasting of you should be in vain in this respect, that, as I said, you may be ready;	3= (Paul has sent a few brothers ahead of Paul to fulfill the commitment of your willingness to donate in which we already boasted of Christ's working in you in order that your willingness should not be in vain, but the ready gift should be proved)
⁴ lest if <i>some</i> Macedonians come with me and find you unprepared, we (not to mention you!) should be ashamed of this confident boasting. ⁵ Therefore I thought it necessary to exhort the brethren to go to you ahead of time, and prepare your generous gift beforehand, which <i>you had</i> previously promised, that it may be ready as <i>a matter of</i> generosity and not as a grudging obligation. ⁶ But this <i>I say:</i> He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.	4= (If some Macedonians may come with me and you were not ready for the gift, it would shame upon us who had confidently boasted of this before them)
	5= (Be ready gift ahead of Paul's coming. This gift may be ready as a matter of generosity or of willing mind, see $2 Cor 8:12^{1}$, not as a grudging obligation or forced donation)
	6=Q1 (one who sows a few seeds will reap a small crop, but the one who shows many seeds will reap a big crop; when you give a little, the Lord gives a little; but you give much, the Lord gives much; there are several words of God relating to offering, gift, donation, or generosity – one who cares the poor will be blessed by God such as His care from trouble, preservation and long life, and delivery from enemies' will; Express your most love to God with your possession and the firstfruits; (1) if you are giving, scattering, then you will increase, (2) if you withhold, then that is going to leave you to poverty; when

¹ 2 Cor 8:12 For if there is first a willing mind, it is accepted according to what one has, and not according to what he does not have.

	you have pity on the poor, the Lord will pay you back in His memory; The generous eye in giving food to the poor will be blessed by God; One who does not put God first, e.g., desolate temple of God, would bring in little, not enough, not warm clothe, or a bag with holes, even if you have sown much; in the Old Testament, tithes and offerings are mandatory as a token of sincere love for God, but in the New Testament, they are recommendable. Remember whatever you give shall be received accordingly. Paul meant Corinthians should not let a lack of faith keep you from the 1 st willingness to donate a year ago to the church in Jerusalem. <i>Psalm</i> 41:1-2; <i>Prov</i> 3:9; <i>Prov</i> 11:24-25; <i>Prov</i> 19:17; <i>Prv</i> 22:9; <i>Haggai</i> 1:4,6; <i>Malachi</i> 3:8; <i>Luke</i> 6:38 ²)
⁷ So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver.	7=Q2 (donate cheerfully according to the 1 st willingness a year ago, not grudgingly, not of necessity or mandatory, because God loves a cheerful giver, a willing or joyful giver, or not forced/pressed giver, i.e., our willing heart on donation is more important than its amount; every resource comes from God. If you love God mostly, you would love your neighbor as yourself because it's God's 2 nd greatest commandment <i>Deut</i> <i>5:10; Exod 25:2; Exod 35:5; 1 Peter 4:9; 1 Chron 29:12</i> ³)
⁸ And God <i>is</i> able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all <i>things</i> , may have an abundance for every good work.	8= (God gives us resources to use or invest for God; When you use or invest them for God, God will see your heart, cultivate them, and produce abundantly for every good work)
 ⁹ As it is written: "He has dispersed abroad, He has given to the poor; His righteousness endures forever." 	9= (God has dispersed abroad and has given to the poor. His righteousness remains forever. God will be honored, i.e., when we give needy things to the poor from whatever is given by God, quoted from <i>Psalm</i> $112:9^4$)

² Psalm 41:1-2_Blessed is he who considers the poor; The LORD will deliver him in time of trouble.

² The LORD will preserve him and keep him alive, *And* he will be blessed on the earth; You will not deliver him to the will of his enemies; *Prov 3:9* Honor the LORD with your possessions, And with the firstfruits of all your increase;; *Prov 11:24-25* There is *one* who scatters, yet increases more; And there is *one* who withholds more than is right, But it *leads* to poverty. ²⁵ The generous soul will be made rich, And he will pay back what he has given; *Prv 22:9* He who has a generous eye will be blessed. For he gives of his bread to the poor; *Haggai 1:4,6*⁴ "*Is it* time for you yourselves to dwell in your paneled houses, and this temple *to lie* in ruins?"⁶"You have sown much, and bring in little; You eat, but do not have enough; You drink, but you are not filled with drink; You clothe yourselves, but no one is warm; And he who earns wages, Earns wages *to put* into a bag with holes."; *Malachi 3:8* "Will a man rob God? Yet you have robbed Me! But you say, 'In what way have we robbed You?' In tithes and offerings; *Luke 6:38* Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into

your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you.

³ Deut 5:10 but showing mercy to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments; *Exod* 25:2 "Speak to the children of Israel, that they bring Me an offering. From everyone who gives it willingly with his heart you shall take My offering; *Exod* 35:5 'Take from among you an offering to the LORD. Whoever *is* of a willing heart, let him bring it as an offering to the LORD: gold, silver, and bronze; *1 Peter 4:9 Be* hospitable to one another without grumbling *;1 Chron* 29:12 Both riches and honor *come* from You, And You reign over all. In Your hand *is* power and might; In Your hand *it is* to make great And to give strength to all.

⁴ *Psalm 112:9* He has dispersed abroad, He has given to the poor; His righteousness endures forever; His horn will be exalted with honor.

	10 (May Card multiply the good that you have a surr
¹⁰ Now may He who supplies seed to the sower, and bread for food, supply and multiply the seed you have <i>sown</i> and increase the fruits of your righteousness,	10= (May God multiply the seed that you have sown. May you abound in the Spiritual things as you have purposed in your heart to give to the Lord)
¹¹ while <i>you are</i> enriched in everything for all liberality, which causes thanksgiving through us to God.	11= (while you are blessed in every life and so you give all donation, i.e., abundant offering to the church in Jerusalem, it causes us to be thankful to God who works in you)
¹² For the administration of this service not only supplies the needs of the saints, but also is abounding through many thanksgivings to God,	12= (your donation to the church in Jerusalem suffices not only the church but also causes many – the recipients, the ministers, and eyewitnesses – to give thanks to God who works in you)
¹³ while, through the proof of this ministry, they glorify God for the obedience of your confession to the gospel of Christ, and for <i>your</i> liberal sharing with them and all <i>men</i> ,	13= (your donation to the church in Jerusalem is the proof of this Paul's donation delivery ministry; When the saints at the church receive indescribable gift, they will glorify God because you keep the faith on the gospel of Christ and share your loving heart with donation)
¹⁴ and by their prayer for you, who long for you because of the exceeding grace of God in you. ¹⁵ Thanks <i>be</i> to God for His indescribable gift!	14-15=Q3 (Those who receive your indescribable or abundant gift will pray for you with deep affection of exceeding grace of God in you and will give thanks to God for the indescribable gift; This chapter shows that Paul extremely well convinced Corinthians as a Word minister should learn the one of 6 elements in 2 <i>Tim</i> $4:2^{\circ}$)

Note: Most Christians say the Bible is important, but rarely study every word in the Bible and commit it to the Lord. So, it's better to study it and live accordingly after the Spirit for the Lord (2 Tim 2:15). This online word for global crusade in effect develops from the expositional sermon (KJV), into spiritual transformation in daily love fellowship with the Lord throughout the Bible Study (NKJV) -- *All Scripture Expositional Study from verse by verse Inductive Studies* -- of which application is the Discipleship and Spiritual Formation, closer to the image of Christ. We think that "Any human opinion is not really important rather than what God says. So, the best commentary on the Bible is the Bible per se. But the opinion to make us understand God's Word is acceptable (*2 Corinthians 10:5*)." Further, for the application, a life or spiritual experience might be helpful to understand how to apply an understood word in the text column, but it is temperately used like Paul, because nobody should think above that actual experience (2 Cor 12:6, Jer 23:28; Ne 8:8).

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⁵ 2 *Tim 4:2* Preach the word! Be ready in season *and* out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching.

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The Lord's Continuing Work Through His Church Acts 29

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"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God" (John 1:1).

Who can be against God, practically against the Scripture (Xáyos LOGOS or the written

word, i.e., the Scripture)?

"The Spirit Led Daily Life in the Whole Counsel of God for its Beliefs and their Consequent Practices" by CCAH's Vision

"PRAYER REQUESTS"

- a. Thank you for prayer support. Romans 8:28 has confirmed in Paul Foot tour during 10.17-10.28, especially in Rome tour, brother Vincenzo the pastor at Calvary Acilia, Rome, Italy. <u>https://calvarychapelanaheimhills.com/Paul</u>
- b. Keep on prayer for the increase of faith, the word of God, its consequent practice, love and joy to become more like Jesus Christ until we meet our Lord in heaven.

c. Pray for the souls in Muslim countries, especially Iran, Turkey, Syria, Palestine, Iraq, Saudi Arabia, Yemen, Morocco/ Afghanistan (bereaved family of the victims from quake) and Libya (bereaved family of the victims from flood) as well as for Gaza and Israel's safety.

d. Pray for Ukraine and Mexico Outreach:

MEXICO CHRISTMAS OUTREACH AND UKRAINE OUTREACH



We are at that time of year again to prepare to make provisions for the children in Mexico for the annual Christmas outreach. Last year children in Mexico received a Christmas toy, blanket, and hot dog because of the generosity of many of you.

In addition to providing the above items, we will have a Christmas party for the children. The party is to celebrate the birth of Jesus, and will include bouncy houses, games, soup, chips, and salsa and the beloved hotdogs with all the fixings, and then cake and ice cream.

To expand on what will be a blessing for the children, we will also be providing each family with groceries to get them through winter.

To provide for a single family in Mexico this Christmas, we are asking for donations of \$50. For this amount, we can provide toys, blankets, a Christmas celebration, along with enough groceries to get them through winter. For a child in Ukraine, for \$100, we can purchase food, a toy, and new winter boots. If you would like to be part of these outreaches, please mark *"Mexico Christmas Outreach"* and/or *"Ukraine Winter Outreach"* on the enclosed gift card along with your donation.

POTATOES FOR GRANDMOTHERS



Once again, we are extending our Potatoes for Grandmothers program to include elderly people, mostly grandmothers in Ukraine. With the on-going war, feeding the elderly has become an urgent matter. Far Reaching Ministries will care for as many as we are able to get them through the coming winter. Just \$300 per individual provides basic

food items such as potatoes, beans, rice, flour, and sugar. If you would count it a privilege to be part of the huge blessing, please indicate "**Potatoes for Grandmothers—Ukraine**" on the enclosed gift card.

NEW WINTER JACKETS



With the war in Ukraine having gone on for almost two years, many children are having to go without basic needs. The cold winter is quickly approaching and Far Reaching Ministries would like to

provide a warm winter jacket to as many children as we can when there is a child in need.

We are hoping to purchase 700 jackets in bulk for a total cost of approximately \$25,000. If you would consider it a great blessing to help with this purchase, please mark *"Winter Jackets for Ukraine"* on the enclosed gift card along with your donation. Pray for this book of "CAN I LIE TO ACHIEVE SUCCESS FOR THE GLORY OF GOD?," flowed from the CCAH sheep's inductive expository Bible studies from September 18, 2022 to September 10, 2023, which has been published on October 5, 2023, to spread the word of God globally if the Lord permits.

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CAN I LIE TO ACHIEVE SUCCESS FOR THE GLORY OF GOD?

Throughout our ministries and daily life, we have contemplated this year whether or not we can lie in pursuit of success for the glony of God, considering various situations. We'd like to see before our verse-by-verse inductive expository studies.

If one were to lie for God, it would pervert the essence of the Scripture or the word of God. To pervert the Scripture is to pervert faith because faith is rooted in the word of God. Consequently, perverting faith leads to the perverting how we practice the word of God.....

A Christian does not follow the ways of mere mortals like Rahab, David, Solomon, Peter, Paul, Apolos, John Calvin, Jacobus Arminius, Abraham Lincoln, Albert Schweitzer, Francis I, or Martin Luther but rather strives to imitate Christ Himself. Thus, human examples serve as guides for following Christ's path through the Spirit, not the flesh, as human nature inherently is nothing good. For example, the hardot Rahab received the spies of Israel by faith. Here, we learn her faith to receive them at the risk of her life in Jericho, not her lie or hardotry.....

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Christianity is real or practical unlike other religions – mystical, theoretical, or impractical, that we may search the references to the Scripture the powerful and living word of God from the archeological discoveries or the history. The used science (the study to prove issue by issue in seen physical world) is a means to know sovereign God's creation and the true word of God, not an end (e.g., DNA test ancestry; "the circle of earth" in Isaiah 40:22). Science should not be overemphasized due to ignorance because science often adopts a hypothesis or theory for a particular issue to be proved by experiments, observations, or simulations with probability 95% (5% error), 99% (1% error), 90% (10% error) under other fixed conditions. True God has no error at all in the light of 1 john 4:6, "We are of God. He who knows God hears us; he who is not of God does not hear us. By this we know the spirit of truth and the spirit of error." For example, a big bang theory is the theory or hypothesis to prove the big bang for the beginning of cosmos at a certain time, which means it has not been proved. The certain time is described in the Scripture as "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. ² The earth was without form, and void; and darkness *was* on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters" (Genesis 1:1-2). Nobody is allowed to alter the Scripture by God in the light of Deuteronomy 4:2, "You shall not add to the word which I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you." although believers in history alleged the earth as flat, the scripture states "the circle of earth" in Isaiah 40:22.