

**THE TWO KEYS TO BECOMING
AN EXCITED AND EXTRAVAGANT GIVER
TO GOD'S WORK**

2 Corinthians 9:6-8

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Some important realities for us as believers to understand

- A. We are the only means on this earth for the work of God to be financed.
- B. The potential of each church and its mission can only be realized if every believer in the church realizes their potential in giving. (The devil knows this!)

What I believe about Christians and the issue of giving

- A. It is the most difficult and tormenting issue in the Christian experience for most people.
- B. The reason the issue is so difficult isn't because people don't want to give - it's because they do want to, but there is a conflict between their heart's desires and their head's understanding.

Four levels of Christian response in giving

- A. Shock and disgust. Giving is for rich people and fanatics!
- B. Grudging obligation at a minimum level. (Vs 5) My needs are bigger than the church's needs.
- C. Committed giving at a level of obedience to God.
- D. Extravagant, excited giving.

Two keys to becoming an excited, extravagant giver

- A. By understanding the living nature of money 2 Cor 9:10-11; Prov 3:9-10; Lk 6:38; Mal 3:10-12; Mt 6:20
- B. By understanding the loving nature of God. 1 Cor 9:8; Heb 13:5-6; I Jn 2:15-16; Rom 8:15-17

What is God saying to me through this message?
