

MESSAGE NOTES

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MESSAGE SERIES: WE GET TO WEEK TWO: "WE GET TO GIVE"

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- We are never more like God than when we _____
JOHN 3:16 – "This is how God loved the world: **He gave** his one and only Son so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life."
- When we give, we play a vital role in _____ the ministries and mission of the Church
- When we give, God _____ and _____ us to be better off than if we gave nothing
- When we give, we grow a _____ heart for the mission of Christ and His Church
- Generosity changes the _____

WE GET TO GIVE _____

"Remember this—a farmer who plants only a few seeds will get a small crop. But the one who plants generously will get a generous crop. You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. **'For God loves a person who gives cheerfully.'** And God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others."

– **2 CORINTHIANS 9:6-8** –

- From the Greek word _____ meaning joyful, enthusiastic, and hearty spirit
- Giving cheerfully should be a _____ for Christians
- Scripture connects giving with _____, which is a whole-person response to the Gospel

CHARACTERISTICS OF CHEERFUL GIVERS

1. Cheerful givers know the true _____ of everything is God

PSALM 24:1 – "The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it. The world and all its people belong to him."

HAGGAI 2:8 – "The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, says the Lord of Heaven's Armies."

2. Cheerful givers know their role as _____ when it comes to managing the resources God has entrusted to them

LUKE 6:38 – "Give, and you will receive. Your gift will return to you in full—pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, running over, and poured into your lap. The amount you give will determine the amount you get back."

3. Cheerful givers overflow with _____

MATTHEW 6:21 – "Wherever your treasure is, there the desires of your heart will also be."

ACTS 20:35 – "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

- Generosity is not about money as much as it is about _____

4. Cheerful givers _____ giving

PROVERBS 3:9 – "Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the best part of everything you produce."

ISAIAH 32:8 – "Generous people plan to do what is generous, and they stand firm in their generosity."

APPLICATION

- Cheerful giving is not something God wants _____
- Cheerful giving is something God wants _____
- Cheerful giving will _____ your relationship with God and others