

Mid-Week Stewardship Thought

Giving with Joy

The Apostle Paul wrote, *“Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver”* (2 Corinthians 9:7).

This verse does not have to be taken literally to mean that we must smile when we give. However, it does say that we are to give our gifts from hearts filled with joy and gratitude for all the blessings from God. Gifts from the heart are given joyfully rather than as an obligation. We give cheerfully and willingly because, through faith, we acknowledge that all we have God has given to us, and we want to return to Him a portion of those gifts.

Prayer: Dear Lord, You entrust me with financial treasures so I can use them not only to provide for my own needs but to use them to serve those who are in need. Grant me faith to share willingly, cheerfully, and generously the gifts You’ve entrusted to me with others. In Your precious name I pray. Amen.

Blessings on your Stewardship Journey!

