FAITH PROMISE #2 - GIVE INDEBTEDLY

II CORINTHIANS 8:8-9,24

To give indebtedly to Faith Promise Missions — one must understand the gift of GRACE (God's Riches At Christ's Expense).

I. GOD'S RICHES

- A. He was rich. Psalm 50:10
 - 1. He gave all so that we could be Saved (became poor).
 - 2. Left the glories of Heaven. Psalm 113:6
- B. He became obedient to the death of the cross. Phil. 2:8
 - 1. He gave Himself to pay our debt. Romans 6:23
 - 2. Our Salvation came at great cost. Luke 14:28

II. GOD'S GIFT OF GRACE

- A. Chapters 8 & 9 connect grace with giving 8 times
 - 1. The emphasis is on the giver rather than the gift
 - 2. Words used (Ch.8): Willing(3), Praying(4),
 Readiness(11), Proof of Love (24),
 - 3. Words used (Ch.9): Zeal(2), Cheerful(7),
 Thanksgiving(12), Glorify God(13).
- B. God promises to abound in giving. II Corinthians 9:8
 - 1. All grace, all sufficiency, every good work
 - 2. We cannot out-give God. Mal. 3:10
 - 3. God blesses a giving business-man so he gives more.
- C. Faith allows giving "beyond our power"
 - 1. Paul bears record. II Corinthians 8:3
 - 2. Law of Sowing and Reaping (Get WHAT you sow, AFTER you sow, and MORE than you sow). Ex. Loaves and fishes
 - 3. Not name-it-and-claim-it. Not "Prosperity Gospel."

III. OUR POVERTY

- A. Naked from our mother's womb. Job 1:21
- B. Our righteousnesses are as filthy rags. Isaiah 64:6
- C. Salvation is not for sale. Matthew 16:26

IV. OUR DEBT

- A. We are commended. Romans 5:7-8
- B. We are constrained. II Corinthians 5:14-15
- C. We love Him. Why? I John 4:19

CONCLUSION: We give to Missions because we owe Him everything. He paid for our Salvation.