

## FAITH PROMISE #7 - GIVE LIBERALLY

### II CORINTHIANS 9:13

God invites the giver to "experiment" with giving – to see if it is possible to out-give God. Hint: It isn't!

#### I. EXPERIMENTAL GIVING

- A. Scientifically – Theory – Experiment – Evidence
  - 1. It's alright to believe God is good.
  - 2. It's better to find out for sure. Psalm 34:8
- B. Investigate Him diligently. Hebrews 11:6
- C. He is a reasonable God. Isaiah 1:18
  - 1. The world's religions never ask for cold reason.
  - 2. God invites reason and investigation.
  - 3. God invites to be proven in giving. Malachi 3:10

#### II. EXPRESSED GIVING

- A. We profess our dependence by giving. II Corinthians 9:13
  - 1. We are subjects (as in a kingdom) to the Gospel.
  - 2. What is the Gospel? Death – Burial – Resurrection.
  - 3. How we profess subjection? Giving (administration).
- B. What happens when we give liberally?
  - 1. Recipients glorify God for your subjection to Gospel.
  - 2. Recipients ALSO glorify God for the distribution.
  - 3. Others (outside) looking on glorify God. Matthew 5:16

#### III. EXCEPTIONAL GIVING

- A. Liberality in giving is the exception not the rule.
  - 1. God talks about diverse weights. Proverbs 20:23
  - 2. God understands human nature. John 2:10
- B. Most people do not understand giving
  - 1. They ask, "What will I get out of it?"
  - 2. The opposite is actually true! Matthew 6:1

#### IV. EXCEEDING GRACE

- A. Giving knits hearts together. II Corinthians 9:14
  - 1. The receiver prays longingly for the giver.

CONCLUSION: God gives liberally in everything. His Son. Every breath of life. Every blessing. We should respond in kind, with unstinting, unabashed giving. Our utmost for His Highness.