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## Eagerness to Help

2 Corinthians 9:1-5

### Eager to Serve

Giving is a Service to the Lord and His People.

2 Corinthians 9:1-2a

<sup>1</sup> There is no need for me to write to you about **this service to the Lord's people.** <sup>2</sup> **For I know your eagerness to help,** and I have been boasting about it to the Macedonians, telling them that since last year you in Achaia were ready to give...

**Our eagerness to give is kindled by a sincere desire to help others. Genuine caring provokes generous giving.**

## Stirring Up Others to Action

Enthusiasm for Service and Giving is Contagious.

2 Corinthians 9:2b

<sup>2b</sup> ...and **your enthusiasm has stirred most of them to action.**

**Generosity is more often caught than taught.  
Have you taken notice of others who are generous?**

## Intentional Generosity

If You Aim at Nothing, You'll Probably Hit It.

2 Corinthians 9:3-5

<sup>3</sup> But I am sending the brothers in order that our boasting about you in this matter should not prove hollow, but that you may be ready, as I said you would be. <sup>4</sup> For if any Macedonians come with me and find you unprepared, we—not to say anything about you—would be ashamed of having been so confident. <sup>5</sup> So I thought it necessary to urge the brothers to visit you in advance and finish the arrangements for the generous gift you had promised. **Then it will be ready as a generous gift, not as one grudgingly given.**

**An intentional plan to give and serve makes it easier to do so with joy.  
Generosity is more often arranged than spontaneous.  
The more you plan, the more spontaneous you can be!**

### Are We Eager to Serve? What Do I Care About?

Genuine Care Prompts Generosity.

### Are We Inspiring Others? Who Inspires Me?

Our Enthusiasm Is Contagious.

### Do We Have a Plan? What Could I Do?

Generous People Are Intentional.