Baldwin Hills Baptist Church

Sunday, September 13, 2020

Sermon Scriptures

<u>Luke 6:38</u> "Give, and it will be given to you. They will pour into your lap a good measure — pressed down, shaken together, *and* running over. For by your standard of measure it will be measured to you in return."

<u>Matt. 6:19-21</u> 19 ¶ "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. $\underline{20}$ "But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in or steal; $\underline{21}$ for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

<u>Acts 16:10 9</u> A vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing and appealing to him, and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." <u>10</u> When he had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them.

<u>2 Cor. 8:1, 2</u> ¶ Now, brethren, we *wish to* make known to you **the grace of God** which has been given in the churches of Macedonia, <u>2</u> that in a **great ordeal of** affliction their abundance of joy and their deep poverty overflowed in the wealth of their liberality.

<u>2 Cor. 9:7</u> Each one *must do* just as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for **God loves a cheerful giver**.

<u>2 Cor. 8:3-5</u> For I testify that according to **their ability**, and **beyond their ability**, *they gave* of **their own accord**, <u>4 begging us</u> with much urging **for the favor** of participation in **the support of the saints**,

Acts 4:33-37 33 And with great power the apostles were giving testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and abundant grace was upon them all. 34 For there was not a needy person among them, for all who were owners of land or houses would sell them and bring the proceeds of the sales 35 and lay them at the apostles' feet, and they would be distributed to each as any had need. 36 ¶ Now Joseph, a Levite of Cyprian birth, who was also called Barnabas by the apostles (which translated means Son of Encouragement), 37 and who owned a tract of land, sold it and brought the money and laid it at the apostles' feet.

<u>2 Cor. 8:5</u> and *this*, not as we had expected, but **they first gave themselves to the Lord** and to us by **the will of God.**

<u>2 Cor. 8:6</u> So we **urged Titus** that as **he had previously made a beginning**, so he would also **complete in you** this gracious work as well.

<u>2 Cor. 8:7</u> ¶ But just **as you abound in everything**, in faith and utterance and knowledge and in all earnestness and in the love we inspired in you, *see* that you abound in this gracious work also.

- <u>2 Cor. 8:8</u> I am not speaking *this* as a command, but as **proving through the** earnestness of others the sincerity of your love also.
- <u>2 Cor. 8:9</u> For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though **He was rich**, yet for your sake **He became poor**, so that you through **His poverty might become rich**.

- <u>2 Cor. 8:10-12</u> I give my opinion in this matter, for this is to your advantage, who were the first to begin a year ago not only to do this, but also to desire to do it.
- <u>11</u> But now finish doing it also, so that just as *there was* the readiness to desire it, so *there may be* also **the completion of it by your ability.**
- <u>12</u> For if the readiness is present, it is acceptable according to what *a person* has, not according to what he does not have.
- <u>2 Cor. 9:2, 5, 6</u> <u>2</u> for **I know your readiness**, of which I boast about you **to the Macedonians**, *namely*, that Achaia has been prepared since last year, and **your zeal has stirred up most of them**.
- <u>5</u> So I thought it necessary to urge the brethren that they would go on ahead to you and arrange beforehand your previously promised bountiful gift, so that the same would be ready as a bountiful gift and not affected by covetousness.
- $\underline{6}$ ¶ Now this *I say,* he who **sows sparingly will also reap sparingly**, and he who **sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.**