



# INVESTING in GOD'S KINGDOM

Part 2

*2 Corinthians 8:6-15*



**The Welcome  
Center Project**


**The Why**

**Dates**

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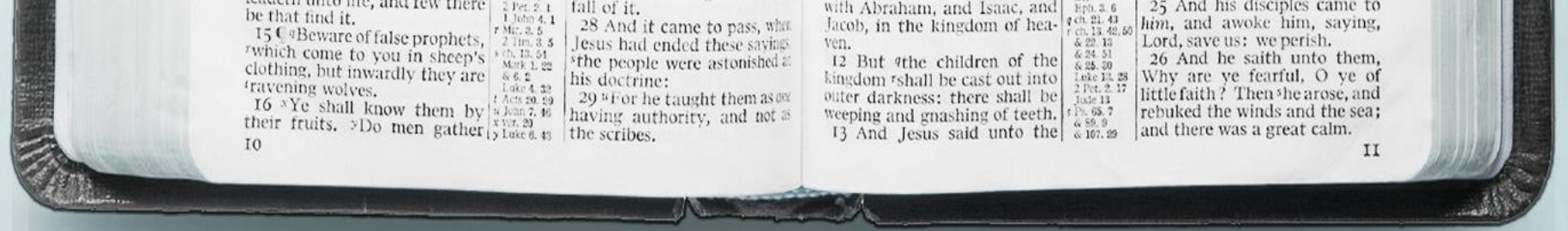
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**“If therefore you have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches?”**

*Luke 16:11*





**Corinth**

**Jerusalem**

**Macedonia**

# Four guidelines that impact our attitudes and practices of JOYFUL GENEROSITY

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1. Generosity is not optional for the believer *(vs. 7)*.
  - The Bible teaches generosity as a habit, not a happenstance.
  - The Bible calls for extraordinary acts of generosity to meet extraordinary challenges.



# **Why is generosity such an important topic in God's eyes?**

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- **the Matthew 6:21 principle**
- **the STEWARDSHIP principle**





# Stewardship

the careful & responsible management of something entrusted to one's care; protecting & expanding assets that belong to another



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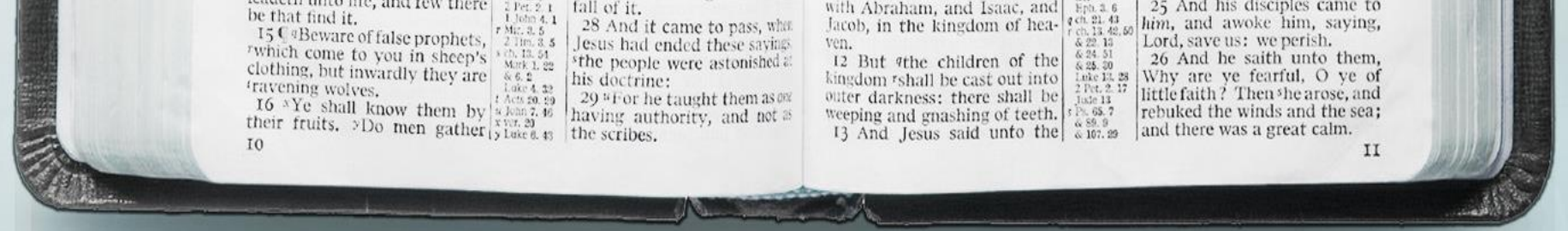
1. Generosity is not optional for the believer (*vs. 7*).
2. Don't give because you feel you have to – give because you want to (*vv. 8-9*).
3. Good intentions are no substitute for intentional actions (*vv. 10-11*).
4. God does not desire equal gifts but equal sacrifice (*vv. 12-15*).





A close-up, high-angle shot of a group of people's hands and forearms stacked in a circle, creating a sense of unity and teamwork. The hands are of various skin tones and are wearing different colored sleeves, including maroon, plaid, white, and grey. The text "We are all in this together!" is overlaid in a white, italicized serif font across the center of the image.

*We are all in  
this together!*



- What is God asking you to do about becoming a generous, sacrificial, faith-motivated giver to advance His kingdom?
- Have you been a stingy, reluctant giver or a grace-filled, generous, cheerful giver?
- Am I ready to commit to be part of the future of Harvest Baptist Church?



