

## *The 7 C's of Grace of Giving*

### (Lesson #1)

- I. Followed the Pattern of David's Giving to Build a Temple for the Lord cf 1 Chr. 22:14; 29:3-4
  - A. David's Giving Was Concerted (i.e. planned) Giving cf 2 Sam. 8:11; 1 Ki. 7:51; 1 Chr. 18:11; 1 Chr. 26:26; 29:3
  - B. David's Giving Corresponded to His Capacity cf 1 Chr. 26:14; 29:3

### (Lesson #2)

- C. David's Giving Was the Result of a Conscious Deliberate Choice to Give cf 1 Chr. 29:14
  - D. Cheerful Giving cf 1 Chr. 1 29:3
  - E. David's Giving Reveals Four Seven Conspicuous Features Which Are to be Characteristics of the Believer's Giving in the Economy of Grace
- II. The New Testament Teaches Believers Are to Give in Accordance with Seven C's
    - A. Believers Are Commanded to Participate in Giving cf 1 Cor. 16:1-2; 2 Cor. 8:11

### (Lesson #3)

- B. Believers Are to Give Cheerfully cf 2 Cor. 9:7
  - 1. The Motivation for Being a Cheerful Giver: God Loves It and the Cheerful Giver; The Word 'Loves' Is the Translation of the Greek Verb (ἀγαπάω); English Transliteration *agapao* in This Context the Word Means Desires and Delights in cf Mt. 23:6; Mk. 12:38; Lk. 11:43; Jn. 3:19; 12:43 for This Sense of the Word

2. The Word '*Cheerful*' is ***Emphasized*** in the Greek Text by Being Placed First in the Word Order of the Clause
  - a. Stresses the ***Importance*** God Places on Givers Having Cheerful Attitudes
  - b. A ***Gracious Cheerful Giver***: The Word *Cheerful* is the Translation of the Greek Word (ἠλαρός); English Transliteration *hilaros*, the Word Can Have the Sense of ***Favor*** to See the Word Used with This Meaning Compare The *Septuagint* Translation of Prv. 19:12; The *Septuagint* Uses the Greek Word (ἠλαρός = hilaros) to Translate the Hebrew Word (רָצוֹן); English Transliteration *raswon* Which Is Used to Express the Idea of ***Unmerited*** Favor cf Deut. 33:23; Psalm 5:12; Psalm 30:5; 89:17; 106:4
- C. ***Conscious Choice*** to Give Willingly cf 2 Cor. 8:10-12; 9:7
- D. Carefully ***Considered*** and ***Concerted*** (*i.e. Planned*) Giving cf 1 Cor. 16:2; 2 Cor. 9:7

#### Lesson #4

- E. Not ***Coerced*** cf 2 Cor. 9:7
- F. The Amount Given is to ***Correspond*** with the ***Capacity*** One Has to Give cf 1 Cor. 16:2; 2 Cor. 8:12

#### Lesson #5

- G. Grace Giving Is to Be ***Consistent*** cf 1 Cor. 16:2
  1. Three Grammatical Observations About the Greek Verb (τίθημι); English Transliteration *tithemi*; The Word is Translated '*Lay Up*', '*Set Aside*' in 1 Cor. 16:2 and Their ***Implications***
    - a. Third Person, Singular Form and Points to the ***Individual*** Responsibility of Each Believer
    - b. Imperative Mood Form Meaning This Is A Command thus a ***Divine Directive***

- c. Present Tense Form Which Denotes *Continual, Ongoing, Regular, Repetitive Action* and Is the Second Way the Verse Teaches That the Believer's Participation is to Be **Consistent, Regular**
- 2. Consistent Giving Does Not Demand That the Believer Must Give a **Definite Amount**
  - a. Believers Are **Not** Commanded to Give a **Definite** Amount
  - b. Believers Are Not Commanded to Give a **Definite Percentage**
  - c. Believers Are Commanded to Always Give **Consistently** in a Manner That Corresponds to Their Current **Capacity**

## Lesson #5

H. **Cloistered** cf Mt. 6:1-4; 1 Cor. 16:2