



*Inspirational Giving*  
*2 Corinthians 9:1-15*

# Active Churches – Newton's 3 Laws of Motion



## Community Outreach



Many hands make light work!

An object at rest tends to stay at rest, and an object in motion tends to stay in motion with the same speed and in the same direction unless acted upon by an external force

The acceleration of an object is directly proportional to the net force acting on it and inversely proportional to its mass



**Romans 12:21**

For every action, there is an equal and opposite reaction

# Inspirational Giving

- **Acts 20:32-35** - And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. 33 I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. 34 You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. 35 In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, **‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’**”

# Lessons on Inspirational Giving

1. Christian Responsibility/Accountability
2. Attitudes Towards Giving
3. Trust in God's Providence
4. Inspiration/Thanksgiving

# Christian Responsibility/Accountability

- **2 Corinthians 9:1-5** - Now it is superfluous for me to write to you about the ministry for the saints, <sup>2</sup> for I know your readiness, of which I boast about you to the people of Macedonia, saying that Achaia has been ready since last year. And your zeal has stirred up most of them. <sup>3</sup> But I am sending<sup>l</sup> the brothers so that our boasting about you may not prove empty in this matter, so that you may be ready, as I said you would be. <sup>4</sup> Otherwise, if some Macedonians come with me and find that you are not ready, we would be humiliated—to say nothing of you—for being so confident. <sup>5</sup> So I thought it necessary to urge the brothers to go on ahead to you and arrange in advance for the gift you have promised, so that it may be ready as a willing gift, not as an exaction.

# Attitudes Towards Giving

- **2 Corinthians 9:6-7** - The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. 7 Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

# Sowing and Reaping

- **Galatians 6:6-10** - Let the one who is taught the word share all good things with the one who teaches. 7 Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. 8 For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. 9 And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. 10 So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.
- **Proverbs 11:24-25** - One gives freely, yet grows all the richer; another withholds what he should give, and only suffers want. Whoever brings blessing will be enriched, and one who waters will himself be watered.

# Trust in God's Providence

- **2 Corinthians 9:8-11** - And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work. 9 As it is written,

“He has distributed freely, he has given to the poor;  
his righteousness endures forever.”

10 He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. 11 You will be enriched in every way to be generous in every way, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.



# God Will Provide for All Your Needs

- **Psalms 37:25** - I have been young, and now am old, yet I have not seen the righteous forsaken or his children begging for bread.
- **Matthew 6:31-33** - Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' 32 For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. 33 But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.
- **Philippians 4:19** - And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

# Inspiration/Thanksgiving

- **2 Corinthians 9:12-15** - For the ministry of this service is not only supplying the needs of the saints but is also overflowing in many thanksgivings to God. 13 By their approval of this service, they will glorify God because of your submission that comes from your confession of the gospel of Christ, and the generosity of your contribution for them and for all others, 14 while they long for you and pray for you, because of the surpassing grace of God upon you. 15 Thanks be to God for his inexpressible gift!

# Inspiration – Motivating Each Other

- **2 Corinthians 8:12-15** - For if the readiness is there, it is acceptable according to what a person has, not according to what he does not have. 13 For I do not mean that others should be eased and you burdened, but that as a matter of fairness 14 your abundance at the present time should supply their need, so that their abundance may supply your need, that there may be fairness. 15 As it is written, “Whoever gathered much had nothing left over, and whoever gathered little had no lack.”

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Baptisms and Growth of the Gospel in Zambia



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**Tennessee**  
Children's Home



**New Spring Hill Campus**

A photograph of a single-story brick house with a white double door and a concrete walkway leading to it. The house is surrounded by greenery and trees. The text is overlaid on the upper portion of the image.

*In the same way, let your light shine  
before others, so that they may see your  
good works and give glory to your  
Father who is in heaven.  
Matthew 5:16*