

20/20
VISION

IS YOUR LIFE IN FOCUS?



A 30-Day Journey to *“Well Done!”*

-Key Proposition (KP) of this series:

God owns everything and I'm his steward.

Exam



Case Study



Rubric

Week 4

Pathways to Generosity, Part 2

2 Corinthians 8:1-9

Exam



Case Study



Rubric

1.The rubric for evaluating all generosity

2 Cor. 8:9

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 you
might become rich. (See also *2 Cor. 9:15*)

II. A case study in exemplary generosity.

2 Corinthians 8:1-8

1. Generosity is the response to God's grace

2 Cor. 8:1

And now, brothers and sisters, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches.

2. Generosity is proven beyond the comfort zone of giving.

2 Cor. 8:2-3a

In the midst of a very severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability.

3. Generosity shows in an insistence on participating.

2 Cor. 8:3b-5a

Entirely on their own, they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the Lord's people. And they exceeded our expectations.

4. Generosity results from the gift of myself to the Lord.

2 Cor. 8:5b

They gave themselves first of all to the Lord, and then by the will of God also to us.

5. Generosity springs from love and can not be commanded.

2 Cor. 8:8

I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others.

And now for the exam:

1. Generosity is my response to God's grace

Do I recognize and value God's grace in my life?

2. Generosity is proven beyond my comfort zone of giving.

What boundaries are established around my giving?

3. Generosity shows in my insistence on participating.

My giving is motivated by:

“I feel guilty” - Coercion

3. Generosity shows in my insistence on participating.

My giving is motivated by:

“It’s my duty” - Compulsion

3. Generosity shows in my insistence on participating.

My giving is motivated by:

“I get to, don’t try to stop me!” - Freedom, Joy

4. Generosity results from the gift of myself to the Lord.

Are you 'all in'? ('Whole life' stewardship)