

“LIVE TO GIVE”*
2 Corinthians 8:1-7

Some people live well beyond their income trapped in debt; others live right at their income spending every cent. But some purposely live below their income. Beyond savings and investments, what motivates this group to live on less?

Biblical Mission Inspires Sacrificial Giving Characterized by...

I. UNREASONABLE _____ 1-3

II. UNRESTRAINED _____ 4

III. UNEXPECTED _____ 5-7

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*4th in the series, *It’s Not About the Money*, by Danny Box, 8-19-07
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Use the following questions to reflect on lessons from the series, *It’s Not About the Money*. Ponder these during your quiet times, or use them as a catalyst for discussion with your family, friends or REALife Group.

1. List lifestyle sacrifices you made to complete college, buy your first car, or prepare for retirement. What lifestyle sacrifices could you make to increase investment in reaching people?
2. A commitment to maturity inspires believers to give regularly to worship God. A commitment to mission inspires believers to give sacrificially to advance the work of God. Are these commitments that you have made or desire to make?
3. What do you think it means to give beyond one’s ability (2 Corinthians 8:3)? How is giving beyond your ability reconciled with giving “according to what one has” (2 Corinthians 8:12)? Consider 2 Corinthians 9:10-11.
4. Why do you think it was important that the Macedonian believers first gave themselves to the Lord before giving to Paul (2 Cor. 8:5)? What would that look like for you and for HCBC?



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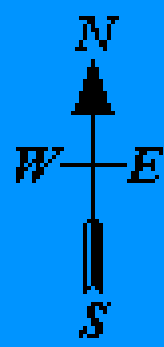
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Sacrificial Giving is Characterized by...

I. UNREASONABLE AMOUNT

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2 Corinthians 8:1-3

Mark 12:41-44

Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a fraction of a penny.

Mark 12:41-44

Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, “I tell you the truth, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything – all she had to live on.”

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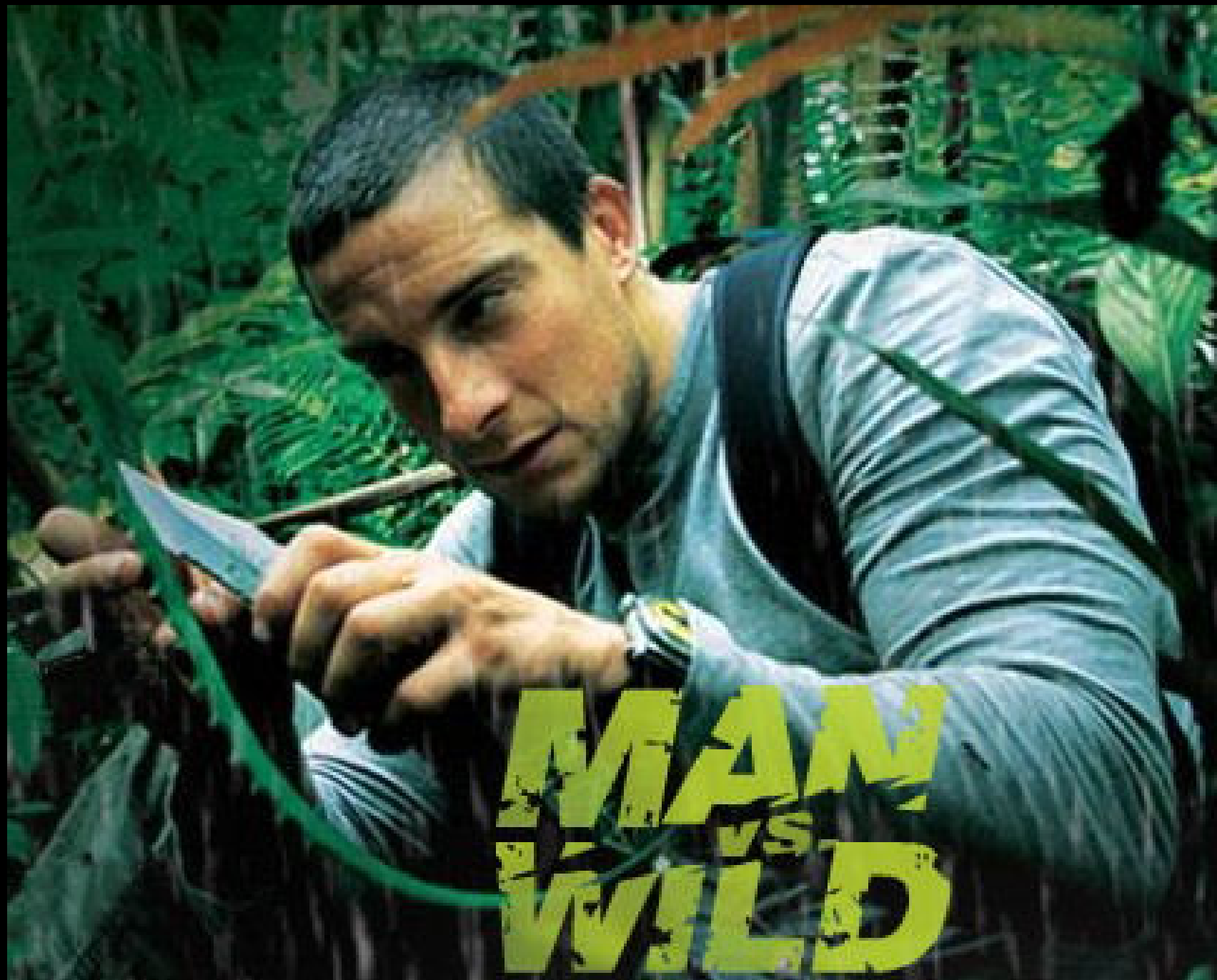
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Characterized by...

II. UNRESTRAINED AMBITION

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2 Corinthians 8:4



Sacrificial Giving is
Characterized by...

III. UNEXPECTED ABANDON

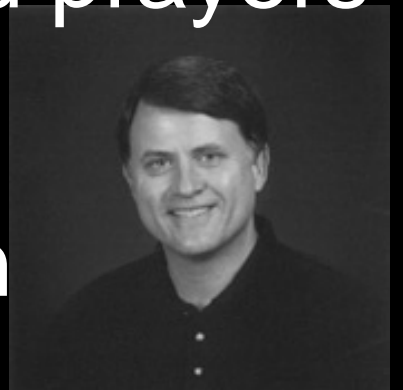
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2 Corinthians 8:5-7

“God wants your heart. He isn’t looking just for ‘donors’ for His kingdom, those who stand outside the cause and dispassionately consider acts of philanthropy. He’s looking for disciples immersed in the causes they give to. He wants people so filled with a vision for eternity that they wouldn’t dream of not investing their money, time, and prayers where they will matter most.”

Randy Alcorn





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