



Title: Excelling in Grace (Individual Message)

Text: 2 Corinthians 8

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Intro: In this message we take a break from our Colossians series to give a report on our build out of the new location and examine Paul's call to generosity in 2 Corinthians 8.

I. BUILDING REPORT

TOTAL SPENT SO FAR

Chairs	10,510
Computer Equip	8,819
Signs	11,828
Architect fees	22,318.75
General Contractor	<u>175,228.92</u>
Total	228,704.16

PROJECTED PROJECT COSTS

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Kid's Check-in system	3,400
Computer Server / Network	2,895
Kid's room furniture	18,000
Chairs	21,020
Exterior Signs	11,828
Office Furniture	5,000
Phone System	6,000
Sanctuary Sound / Visual	120,000
Sanctuary Lighting	25,000
Youth Room	10,000
<u>Security</u>	<u>5,000</u>
SUBTOTAL	228,143
GENERAL CONTRACTOR	750,000
TOTAL COST	978,143

II. THREE REASONS WE NEED TO GIVE

1. So we can continue to be generous.
2. So we can add more staff.
3. So we can be prepared for action on future property.

III. PAUL'S ENCOURAGEMENT TO BE GENEROUS

A. The Macedonians excelled in the grace of giving because:

1. They gave despite their circumstance, not because of it.
2. They gave sacrificially, beyond their means.
3. They gave themselves, not just their money.

B. Paul's encouragement to the Corinthians (and us):

1. Giving proves the genuineness of your love.
2. Don't just desire to give, actually give (or start giving).
3. Your heart, not the size of your gift, makes your giving acceptable.
4. We reflect Jesus when we give.

IV. FOUR ENCOURAGEMENTS FOR EVERY PERSON THAT CALLS CROSSPOINTE HOME:

1. Give something.
2. Give regularly.
3. Give as a priority.
4. Give sacrificially.