

Valley View Baptist Church

Bible Study: 2 Corinthians

Chapter 8 Questions:

- 1) How does Paul address the Corinthians in the 1st verse of Ch. 8? (8:1)
- 2) God's grace had been bestowed on the churches in what region? (8:1)
- 3) What four (4) things does Paul say about the churches in Macedonia? (8:2)
 - They were experiencing "*a severe test of affliction*"
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- 4) In spite of great affliction suffered by the churches in Macedonia what emotion did they feel? (8:2)
- 5) Out of deep poverty how did the Macedonian churches respond to the freewill offering Paul was collecting for persecuted believers in Jerusalem? (8:2)
- 6) Who gave "*not only according to their means,*" but beyond their means (or, their "*power*"; i.e., far beyond any expectation)? (8:3-5)
- 7) What had the churches in Macedonia given before they gave their material possessions? (8:5)
- 8) Who was in Corinth at the time the plan began for the collection of a love offering for the poor saints in Jerusalem? (8:6)
- 9) Who does Paul say excelled in faith, speech, knowledge, in diligence and love? (8:7)
- 10) Paul did not command the Corinthians to give to the poor saints in Jerusalem, but their generous giving would show the sincerity of their Christian faith and love to whom? (8:8)
- 11) According to Paul who had been rich and become poor so that the Corinthians might be rich? (8:9)
- 12) How long had the Corinthians "a readiness of mind" to give to the poor saints at Jerusalem? (8:10)

13) Paul commended the Corinthian church for their desire to give to this needy cause. Now he calls on them to do what? (8:10,11)

14) T or F; God's measure of acceptable giving is "according to what a person has, not according to what he does not have." (8:12)

15) Paul instructed the saints at Corinth to give from their abundance so that there might be what? (8:13,14)

16) Finish this quote, "*He that had gathered much had nothing over; and he that had gathered little had no _____.*" (8:15; a quote from Exodus 16:18)

17) Paul instructs the believers in Corinth to not only do what is honest and honorable in the sight of God, but also in the sight of whom? (8:21)

18) Paul takes great care handling this large collection (v.20). What qualifications does Paul mention in verse 22 for one he is sending to help with the collection? (8:22)

19) In Macedonia, Paul received from the churches their collections for the saints in Jerusalem. Also, the churches sent representatives with Paul to safely accompany the collection. In verse 22, Paul refers to these brothers in Christ as "*_____ of the churches.*" (8:23)

20) In verse 23, how does Paul refer to Titus? (8:23)

21) What was the Corinthian church to show Titus and the "*messengers of the churches*" when they arrive in Corinth? (8:24)