

Dream **BIG**
Stewardship



A man with a beard and long hair is shown from the chest up, wearing a dark t-shirt. He has his hands behind his head and a wide-eyed, open-mouthed expression, suggesting surprise, stress, or a moment of realization. He is in a dark, modern-looking interior with dark wood paneling and a whiteboard visible in the background.

Be **B**old

Be **I**nnovative

Be **G**iving



Dream BIG Stewardship

- ① Essentials of Good Stewardship
- ② Be BOLD & INNOVATIVE
- ③ The Impact of Joyful GIVING



① Essentials of Good Stewardship

“Each of you should use whatever **gift
you have received** to serve others,
as faithful stewards of
God’s grace in its various forms.”

1 Peter 4:10 (NIV)



Essentials of Good Stewardship

What is Dream BIG Stewardship?

Dream BIG Stewards effectively
and faithfully **manage**
the **God-given gifts**
that are entrusted to them
without compromising **Christian values**.



Essentials of Good Stewardship

The **BIBLE** offers the blueprint to set the standard for
STEWARDS to **DREAM B.I.G.**
with Scripture on how to be

BOLD, **I**NNOVATIVE & **G**IVING.



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Be Bold & Innovative

Visualize the Impossible

“No eye has seen, or ear has heard,
and no mind has imagined what
God has prepared for those who love Him.”

1 Corinthians 2:9 (NLT)



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Be **BOLD**

“...enable your servants to
speak your word with
great boldness.”

Acts 4:29 (NIV)

Be **INNOVATIVE**

“...accomplish infinitely
more than we might
ask or think.”

Ephesians 3:20 (NLT)



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Visualize the Impossible

- Embrace **CHANGE**
- Welcome **SURPRISES**
- Don't Settle for the **OBVIOUS**
- **BE REAL** with your Gifts



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EMBRACE CHANGE

“Forget the former things;
do not dwell on the past.”

Isaiah 43:18 (NIV)



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EMBRACE CHANGE

- Princess Phones to Smartphones
- 8-Track Players to Streaming
- Slide Rulers to AI
- B&W Box TVs to Flat Screens
- Face-to-face meetings to FaceTime
- Being Sociable to Social Media

Take a Chance...
Don't Fight Change;
Be Part of IT!





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WELCOME SURPRISES

“For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord,
plans to prosper you and not to harm you,
plans to give you hope and a future.”

Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)



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WELCOME SURPRISES

An unexpected challenge
can be either an obstacle or an opportunity.
Insulin and penicillin were surprise discoveries.



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DON'T SETTLE FOR THE OBVIOUS

“Trust in the Lord with all your heart and
lean not on your own understanding;
in all your ways submit to Him,
and He will make your paths straight.”

Proverbs 3:5-6 (NIV)



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DON'T SETTLE FOR THE OBVIOUS

Escape from your mind's comfort zone.

Free yourself from being trapped in the routine of life.

Don't settle for less than what God has planned for you.

The greatest minds in history were ridiculed by small minded people.

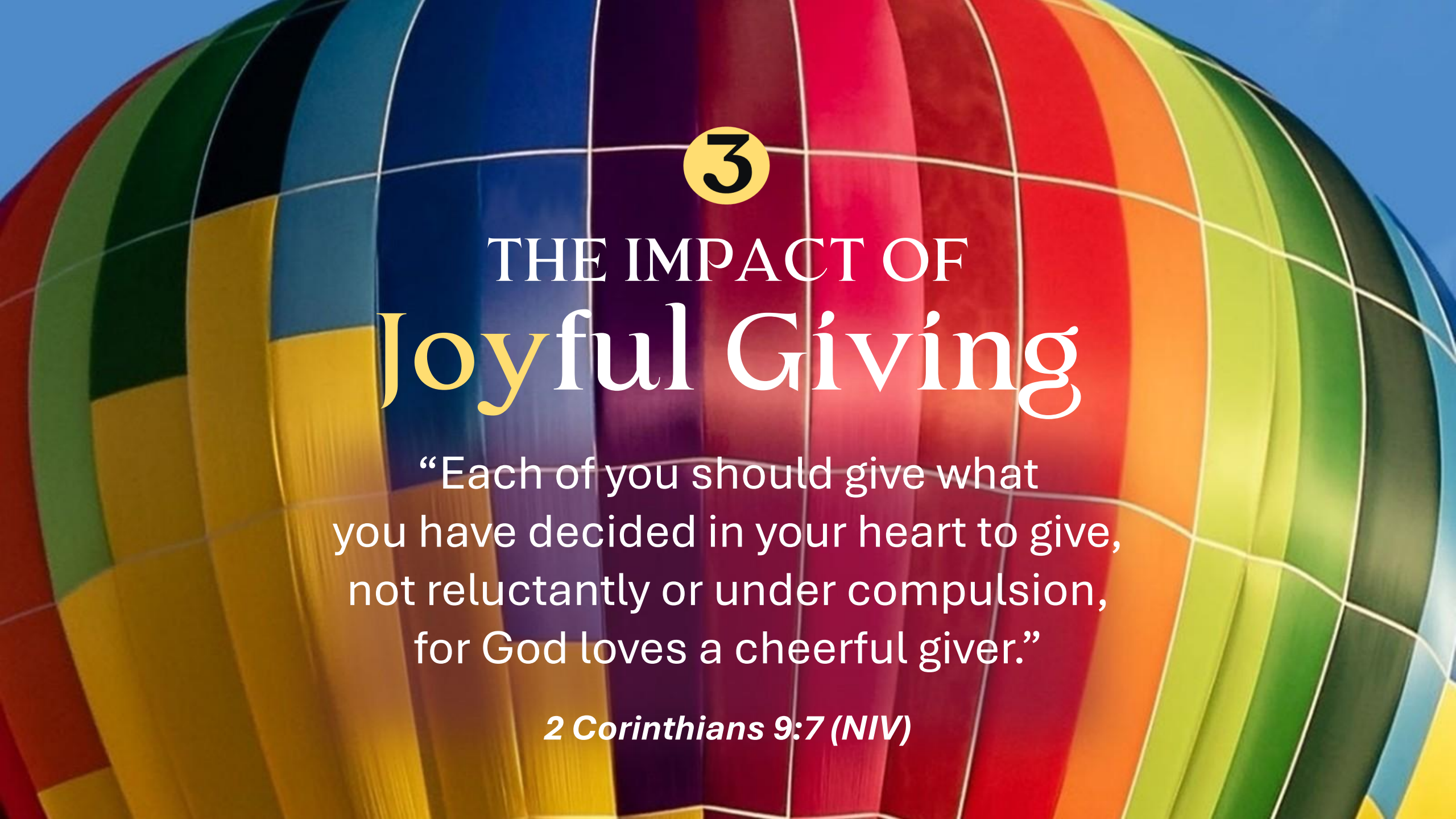
Dream BIG! Do it God's way!



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THE IMPACT OF Joyful Giving

“Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.”

2 Corinthians 9:7 (NIV)



THE IMPACT OF **Joyful Giving**

**Bible frequently states Giving
is vital to Good Stewardship.**

Depending on the translation,
the words 'give', 'giving' or 'gave'
are mentioned from about 1,300
to 1,500 times.

THE IMPACT OF **Joyful Giving**

- A Joyful Gift is **WORTH** more than its price tag.
- What fills your **HEART** is what you have to give.
- A full **STOREHOUSE** has no room for fresh blessings.
- Joyful Giving is a **HEALTHY** Choice.
- You can't **OUTGIVE** God!
- Experience the **PEACE, JOY & LOVE** of Giving.

A Joyful gift is worth more than its price tag.

The true value of a gift is determined by the intention and heart of the giver instead of its material or monetary worth.

*“My fruit is better than fine gold,
what I yield surpasses choice silver.”*

Proverbs 8:19 (NIV)

Here is an example of a priceless gift. It's a story written by O. Henry that long-time WWL news director Phil Johnson said every year at Christmas time for many decades.

The story tells of a young poor couple who both sacrificed their most prized possessions to give each other a Christmas gift.

The wife sold her beautiful long hair that she treasured to buy a platinum chain for her husband's cherished gold watch.

But when her husband returned home with his gift for her, he revealed that he sold his watch to buy a set of exquisite combs for his wife's treasured hair.

The story concludes that despite their now useless gifts, this couple gave each other the priceless gift of sacrificial love.

What fills your heart is what you have to give.

You can't give what you don't have.

You can't give love when your heart is full of hatred
and you can't give joy when your spirit is full of anger.

*“A good person produces good things from the
treasury of a good heart, and an evil person produces
evil things from the treasury of an evil heart.
What you say flows from what is in your heart.”*

Luke 6:45 (NLT)

granary
A full ~~storehouse~~ has no
room for fresh blessings.

If we hoard our gifts, there isn't room
for us to receive new ones. If we keep
our love from reaching out, we don't
have room in our hearts to be loved.

*"A generous person will prosper; whoever
refreshes others will be refreshed."*

Proverbs 11:25 (NIV)

Joyful Giving is a Healthy Choice.

Several medical studies show that the act of joyful giving increases serotonin levels, lowers blood pressure and enhances the immune system of the GIVER, RECEIVER and OBSERVERS.

“Dear friend, I hope all is well with you and that you are as healthy in body as you are strong in spirit.”

3 John 1:2 (NLT)

SOURCE: UndergroundHealthReporter.com

You can't outgive God!

This concept reflects a Spiritual truth that resonates throughout the Bible to encourage Christians to live generously with confidence in God's faithfulness.

*“And God will generously provide all you **need**. Then you will always have everything you **need** and plenty to share with others.”*

2 Corinthians 9:8 (NLT)

Experience the Peace, Joy & Love of Giving

PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS

Lord, make me an instrument of your **peace:**
Where there is hatred, let me sow **love...**
Where there is sadness, **joy...**
For it is in giving that we receive...

St. Francis of Assisi



Dream BIG!

3 Takeaways

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Christian STEWARDSHIP is the daily act of prudently managing
our God-given gifts of TIME, TALENTS and TREASURES
to the fullest of our capabilities
while adhering to God's Holy Word.



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3 Takeaways

2

Christian Stewards, who DREAM BIG, are innovators
who boldly embrace change,
welcome surprises as unexpected opportunities,
are not satisfied with the obvious routine
and don't settle for less than what God has planned for them.



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3 Takeaways

3

The BLESSINGS that come from finding
JOY in GIVING not only benefits us
MENTALLY, EMOTIONALLY and PHYSICALLY,
it pleases GOD and benefits the PEOPLE OF GOD.
JOYFUL GIVING EMPOWERS HIS CHURCH.



You are not
too old or
too young to

**DREAM
BIG**





God wants HIS children to
DREAM BIG!

Dear Lord,

I humbly ask you to bless us with the wisdom, strength and patience to fully develop our time, talents and treasures.

Help us obtain the spiritual and financial peace and joy promised in your Holy Word. Teach us how to use your wisdom to form the foundation of our life as stewards with Jesus as our cornerstone. Upon this divine rock, guide us to build a storehouse filled with a wealth of blessings so we may honor you with our loving and unselfish acts of joyful giving. Thank you for your unending gifts of love, grace and mercy.

In the name of your Son Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.