

# Abound in This Grace Also

2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 8:1-7

(series #23)

**Intro:** the issue of money - 1<sup>st</sup> Tim. 6:17; Mark 12:40

## I. The Grace of God in the Macedonians vv. 1-5

- A. Philippi, Thessalonica, Berea v. 1
- B. The unusual combination of traits v. 2
  - 1. Great trial of affliction
  - 2. Abundance of joy
  - 3. Deep poverty
  - 4. Abounding liberality
- C. The characteristics of NT giving v. 3
  - 1. Proportionately - 1<sup>st</sup> Cor. 16:2
  - 2. Sacrificially - 2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 24:24
  - 3. Willingly - Ex. 25:1-2; 35:5,21
- D. The eagerness of the Macedonians v. 4
  - Romans 15:25-27
- E. The priority of giving ourselves to the Lord v. 5

## II. The Exhortation to the Corinthians vv. 6-7

- A. Titus would encourage them to participate v. 6
- B. Paul encouraged them to abound v. 7

**Conclusion:** Giving is unto the Lord - Philippians 4:18