

Who is Thirsty?

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2 Corinthians 9

I really don't need to write to you about this ministry of giving for the believers in Jerusalem. For I know how eager you are to help, and I have been boasting to the churches in Macedonia that you in Greece were ready to send an offering a year ago. In fact, it was your enthusiasm that stirred up many of the Macedonian believers to begin giving.

...But I want it to be a willing gift, not one given grudgingly.

Remember this—a farmer who plants only a few seeds will get a small crop. But the one who plants generously will get a generous crop. You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. "For God loves a person who gives cheerfully." And God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others. As the Scriptures say,

"They share freely and give generously to the poor.
Their good deeds will be remembered forever."

For God is the one who provides seed for the farmer and then bread to eat. In the same way, he will provide and increase your resources and then produce a great harvest of generosity in you.

Yes, you will be enriched in every way so that you can always be generous. And when we take your gifts to those who need them, they will thank God. So two good things will result from this ministry of giving—the needs of the believers in Jerusalem will be met, and they will joyfully express their thanks to God.

As a result of your ministry, they will give glory to God. For your generosity to them and to all believers will prove that you are obedient to the Good News of Christ. And they will pray for you with deep affection because of the overflowing grace God has given to you. Thank God for this gift too wonderful for words!

Chick-fil-A

Outside Sales

Customer Count

Check Average

What is going on here is our check average has increased greatly

Colossians 2:6-7

And now, just as you accepted Christ Jesus as your Lord, you must continue to follow him. Let your roots grow down into him, and let your lives be built on him. Then your faith will grow strong in the truth you were taught, and you will overflow with thankfulness.

The quality of people that call Life church home is unbelievable

We are the Core of what the church will be in the future

Workout that core

Home, Marriage, pursuit of personal holiness

If the Core is healthy you can perform all of the other movements with proper form

Proper form is the key to health, not reps, not max weight

Functional fitness

Looks real but its not

Supplements

The Bible is a supplement

Church is a supplement

Hebrews 12:1-2

Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

“the joy that was set before Him endured the cross”

Eucharist

The Good Gift

Eu - good

Charis – grace or gift

Where we are now it is the perfect time for us to understand the Eucharist

Think about a movie that inspired you to some action

Writer, raise money, screenplay, cast, direct, produce, film, distribution, editing, music, dialog, act, etc

All so you could be inspired

Somebody else had to do a lot of work so that you could be inspired

Mentor

Time, patience, patience, love, wisdom, listened, spoke love

If you have been blessed in your life, someone else did the blessing

If you have received someone else gave

Things don't just appear

Jesus for "the joy that was set before Him endured the cross" He is God's good gift to humanity for the healing of the world

It only works like this; His body is broken and His blood is poured out

We receive... there was a cost... not for us

We accept that Good Gift that God gives and our response is we become Eucharists

We are invited to give ourselves

The way it works is the body is broken and the blood is poured out

We give as emulation and worship

This giving is more than money

Half empty or Half full

Who's thirsty

"That's not fair!"

The only time you should look into someone else's bowl is to see if they have enough

What if the church really is the good gift that God is sending out into the world?

What if we joined together unified and inclusive