

Studying 2 Corinthians we learn how each of us can live a generous life inspired by God's love. As Tim Keller once said, "According to the Bible, generosity is not less than financial giving, but it's a lot more. It is possible to be technically generous with money and not radically generous with your whole soul."

Key principle: Grace is made visible when God's people live open handed (generous).

I. A grace filled life will be a generous life. Verses 1-6; Deuteronomy 26

- A. Sacrificially (not just out of surplus)
- B. Joyfully (not just out of duty)
- C. Graciously

II. A generous life is inspired by Christ-like love. Verses 7-24

- A. His love for me, inspires my love for Him.
- B. His love for others, inspires my love for them.
- C. My love for Christ and for others, compels me to live open handed.