

Overflowing Thanksgiving

Overflow -Week 3

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2 Corinthians 8:1-5 "And now, brothers and sisters, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches. ² In the midst of a very severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. ³ For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, ⁴ they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the Lord's people. ⁵ And they exceeded our expectations: They gave themselves first of all to the Lord, and then by the will of God also to us."

An overflowing heart of thanks...

1. Has _____ no matter the circumstances.

2 Corinthians 8:2 "In the midst of a very severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity."

2 Chronicles 20:21 After consulting the people, Jehoshaphat appointed men to sing to the LORD and to praise him for the splendor of his holiness as they went out at the head of the army, saying: "Give thanks to the LORD, for his love endures forever."

**2. Gives with _____ and views
service as a _____.**

2 Corinthians 8:3-4 "For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability. Entirely on their own, ⁴ they urgently pleaded with us for the privilege of sharing in this service to the Lord's people."

Exodus 36:6-7 "Then Moses gave an order and they sent this word throughout the camp: "No man or woman is to make anything else as an offering for the sanctuary." And so the people were restrained from bringing more,⁷ because what they already had was more than enough to do all the work."

3. An overflowing heart of thanks is a heart full of

_____.

2 Corinthians 8:5 "And they exceeded our expectations: They gave themselves first of all to the Lord, and then by the will of God also to us."