

The Sacrificial Giver

2 Corinthians 8:1-5, 9

Introduction:

**How can people give sacrificially, when it would seemingly hurt to give?*

- I. *People give sacrificially when God does a work of grace in their hearts (v.1)*

- II. *People give sacrificially when the joy of the Lord motivates them to give (v.2a)*

- III. *People give sacrificially when they can empathize with the need they give towards (v.2b)*

- IV. *People give sacrificially when they are not forced to give, but give of their own free will (v.3)*

- V. *People give sacrificially when they are burdened to share in the fellowship of the saints (v.4)*

- VI. *People give sacrificially when they first give themselves as a sacrifice to the Lord (v.5)*

- VII. *People give sacrificially when they fully understand the sacrifice Christ made on our behalf (v.9)*