

# No Collecting When I Come

*"Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7 (ESV)*

1 Corinthians 16:1,2 - Did Paul not like to see people \_\_\_\_\_?

## What Was Being Collected?

A. 1 Corinthians 16:1,2 - They were collecting \_\_\_\_\_; they were to put something \_\_\_\_\_ as each had \_\_\_\_\_.

B. The collection that was underway:

1. Galatians 2:9,10 - This drive may have started when the \_\_\_\_\_ told Paul to remember the \_\_\_\_\_.

2. Romans 15:25-27 - It was only right for the \_\_\_\_\_ Christians to send \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_ of Judea.

3. Blomberg: Not only would their gifts \_\_\_\_\_ the needs, but it would strengthen \_\_\_\_\_ between Christians of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ backgrounds.

4. 2 Corinthians 8:1-7 - Just as the \_\_\_\_\_ of Macedonia had been \_\_\_\_\_ in their poverty, so the Corinthians were to \_\_\_\_\_ in this act of \_\_\_\_\_.

5. 2 Corinthians 9:5-7 - We shouldn't give \_\_\_\_\_ or under \_\_\_\_\_; God loves a \_\_\_\_\_.

C. Acts 24:17 - Paul came to \_\_\_\_\_ to bring \_\_\_\_\_ to his \_\_\_\_\_. Mission accomplished!

## Why Paul Wanted "No Collecting When I Come"

A. Luke 8:3 - Several \_\_\_\_\_ who followed Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ for Him and His apostles out of their \_\_\_\_\_.

B. **Christians should give thoughtfully:**

1. Romans 15:26,27 - Why give? It was \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_.

2. 2 Corinthians 9:7 - Christians are to \_\_\_\_\_ as they \_\_\_\_\_ in their \_\_\_\_\_.

C. **Christians should give systematically:**

1. 1 Corinthians 16:1,2 - Just as Christians in \_\_\_\_\_ had done, give on the \_\_\_\_\_ of every \_\_\_\_\_.

2. 2 Corinthians 9:7 - Instead of giving \_\_\_\_\_ or under \_\_\_\_\_, let us develop a regular \_\_\_\_\_ of responding to needs.

D. Titus 3:14 - We may have to help \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ need.

Acts 20:34,35 - It is more \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ than to \_\_\_\_\_.

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