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A Recipe for Honourable Giving

2 Corinthians – Part 13 (2 Cor. 8:16-24)

1st Ingredient: A _____ demonstrated by Titus

(vs 16, 17)

(a) Titus had a _____ (vs 16, 2 Cor. 7:13, 14)

(b) He was _____ (vs 17)

(c) He was _____ until the end (Titus 1:5, 3:12, 2 Timothy 4:9-11)

2nd Ingredient: Be _____ with fellow believers

(vs 18, 19, John 13:34,35, Romans 12:10)

3rd Ingredient: Be _____ (vs 20-22)

(a) Avoid situations that can _____ (vs 20, 21)

(b) Diligence brings about _____ (vs 22, Galatians 6:9)

4th Ingredient: Be a church _____

(vs 23, 24, 2 Corinthians 8:1,2)

(a) The Macedonians were _____ (2 Cor. 8:1, 2, Romans 12:10-13)

(b) They had _____ for fellow believers (2 Cor. 8:1, 2, Romans 12:10-13)

2 Corinthians 8:16-24

But thanks *be* to God who puts the same earnest care for you into the heart of Titus. ¹⁷For he not only accepted the exhortation, but being more diligent, he went to you of his own accord.

¹⁸And we have sent with him the brother whose praise *is* in the gospel throughout all the churches, ¹⁹and not only *that*, but who was also chosen by the churches to travel with us with this gift, which is administered by us to the glory of the Lord Himself and *to show* your ready mind, ²⁰avoiding this: that anyone should blame us in this lavish gift which is administered by us— ²¹providing honorable things, not only in the sight of the Lord, but also in the sight of men.

²²And we have sent with them our brother whom we have often proved diligent in many things, but now much more diligent, because of the great confidence which *we have* in you. ²³If *anyone inquires* about Titus, *he is* my partner and fellow worker concerning you. Or if our brethren *are inquired about*, *they are* messengers of the churches, the glory of Christ. ²⁴Therefore show to them, and before the churches the proof of your love and of our boasting on your behalf.