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A study of 2 Corinthians

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***in the midst of moral, societal and
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II Corinthians 7:2-16

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...do make room for
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...even if it's challenging...

II Corinthians 8:1-15

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...the distance between
our hearts and our pocketbooks
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II Corinthians 8:16-24

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...that is where God does the things
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- 1 Now it is superfluous for me to write to you about the ministry for the saints,
- 2 for I know your readiness, of which I boast about you to the people of Macedonia, saying that Achaia has been ready since last year. And your zeal has stirred up most of them.
- 3 But I am sending the brothers so that our boasting about you may not prove empty in this matter, so that you may be ready, as I said you would be.

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4 Otherwise, if some Macedonians come with me and find that you are not ready, we would be humiliated—to say nothing of you—for being so confident.

5 So I thought it necessary to urge the brothers to go on ahead to you and arrange in advance for the gift you have promised,
so that it may be ready as a willing gift,
not as an exaction.

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50 people



September





3 guidelines



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