

# Sermon Notes

October 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>, 2008

Series: Amazing Grace

**Text: 1 Corinthians 8:1-5, 9; 9:6-11**

1 Corinthians 8:1 And now, brothers, we want you to know about the grace that God has given the Macedonian churches. 2 Out of the most 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 saints. 5 And they did not do as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then to us in keeping with God's will.... **9 For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich....**

9:6 Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. 7 Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 8 And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. 9 As it is written:

"He has scattered abroad his gifts to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." 10 Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness. 11 You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.

**Message: Contagious Grace**

1. It keeps \_\_\_\_\_ (8:1-5, 9)

A. It starts with \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

1-Grace \_\_\_\_\_

2-Grace \_\_\_\_\_ poverty with \_\_\_\_\_

B. It affects \_\_\_\_\_

1-from severe \_\_\_\_\_ comes overflowing \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_)

2-from extreme \_\_\_\_\_ comes rich \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_)

3-according to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_)

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2. It keeps \_\_\_\_\_ (9:6-11)

A. The Miracle of \_\_\_\_\_

1-giving results in \_\_\_\_\_

2-Grace is \_\_\_\_\_

B. The Process of \_\_\_\_\_

1-it's in your \_\_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_\_ trust

2-it comes from your \_\_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_\_ commitment

3-it is done with your \_\_\_\_\_: \_\_\_\_\_ work

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