

## SERMON NOTES

Title: The Law of Spiritual Action and Reaction  
Text: 2 Corinthians 9:6-15  
Date: 10/28/07

Introduction:

- A. One of the strong values of the North West Christian Church is to teach and obey the Bible as best we can.
- B. Today I want us to think about how the Bible's teachings on money relate to our support of this congregation.
- C. One of the timeless principles taught in the Bible is what one study reference calls "The Law of Spiritual Action and Reaction."

-----2 Corinthians 9:6-15-----

Body:

- I. This passage is set in the context of teaching regarding an offering being given to support the poor Christians in Jerusalem.
  - A. The church was still unstructured.
  - B. The primary budget included two things.
- II. The Law of Spiritual Action and Reaction.
  - A. This principle was commonly acknowledged, by pagans and Jews alike.  
Proverbs 11:25 (NIV), Proverbs 22:8 (NIV)
  - B. In essence this maxim is talking about "the law of cause and effect" which is recognized by both ancients and moderns as a timeless truth.
  - C. What we sow as a congregation is what we reap.
- III. How then shall we give?
  - A. With a conscious understanding of the Law of Spiritual Action and Reaction.  
2 Cor. 9:10 (NIV)
  - B. God gives us money as seed and expects us to sow, or give what we have decided in our hearts cheerfully.
  - C. The Reaction  
2 Cor. 9:8 (NIV), 2 Cor. 9:11 (NIV), 2 Cor. 9:12 (NIV), 2 Cor. 9:14 (NIV)

Conclusion:

- A. Consider how generous God has been to us.  
2 Cor. 9:15 (NIV)
- B. What would you like to reap?