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## **2 Corinthians 8:16-24**

**Title: Providing for honest things in the  
sight of Lord and men**

**Paul's representative to pick up the contribution from those in Corinth is a man named Titus. He and Paul were close: Titus 1:1-4, Galatians 2:1-6**

**Titus had genuine love for the folks in the church at Corinth, and his readers were familiar with him. He went on his own accord to them with a unknown brother (2 Corinthians 8:16-19).**

**We talked a great deal about freewill  
giving in past weeks. Paul is concerned  
with the appearance of how his  
associates use the resources that people  
have provided (2 Corinthians 8:20-21).**

**Paul understood how important it was  
that people recognize their work as  
aboveboard. That's true for leaders and  
for us generally, too: Proverbs 3:1-4;  
Romans 14:14-20**

**Recall how wayward leaders were in their dealings with the people of Israel.**

**They abused the resources they had:**

**Ezekiel 34:1-6, Isaiah 56:9-12**

**Paul was familiar with having to defend  
his motivations and work, remember:**

**2 Corinthians 1:12-16, 2 Corinthians  
3:1-7**

**Church leaders must consider their  
conduct given the wide-ranging  
ramifications. Paul directed Timothy to  
be an example to others in how he led: 1**

**Timothy 4:12-16**

**There's a third, unnamed man mentioned in 2 Corinthians 8:22, then v. 23-24 are Paul's commendation of these men. They brought glory to Christ. How can we?**

**Doing what with the Christian liberty  
we believers have we should bring  
glory to Christ:**

**1 Corinthians 6:15-20, 1 Corinthians  
10:27-31, Philippians 2:5-11**

**Titus' love for the people of Corinth helped determine how he treated them, and how they would receive each other. Let us serve one another like that on our own accord like he did.**

**It's especially important that church leaders set an example for the flock in their conduct (and doctrine). They risk being a stumbling block otherwise, and Paul knew that.**

**The men Paul wrote about brought glory to Christ simply by going about the work that the Lord placed in front of them. He's prepared good works for us too, and they will bring Him glory.**