



**“DON’T FORGET ... AND BE SURE TO REMEMBER”**

**Concerning The Collection**

**1 Corinthians 16:1-4**

**INTRODUCTION**

**REALIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT – I Cor. 16:1-4**

**1. It Was DIRECTED By Paul – v. 1**

*“as I directed” – Greek: diatasso – to instruct, command, arrange  
I Cor. 7:17; 9:14; 11:34*

**2. It Was DISCIPLINED As To Time – v. 2a**

*“on the first day of every week” - day one of the Sabbath week*

**3. It Was DESIGNATED To All – v. 2a**

*“so you also are to do” “each of you”*

***Remember...***

Your responsibility, by God’s enabling, is to constantly apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Phil. 2:12-13; 1 Tim. 4:7-9; Jam 1:22-27).

As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?

How can I accomplish this change?

What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

**4. It Was DISCRETIONARY As To The Amount** – v. 2b

*“as he may prosper”* - Greek refers to *“success, good”*

*II Cor. 9:6-12*

**5. It Was DELIVERED By Responsible People** – v. 3-4

*“I will send those whom you accredit”*

*II Cor. 8:16-23* – *“messengers”* is the Greek word for *“apostles”*

**6. It Was DESIGNED To Meet Special Needs** – v. 1, 3

*“collection for the saints”* *“carry your gift to Jerusalem”*

- To Sustain other believers in time of need  
*Acts 4:34-35; 6:1-3; I Tim. 5:3-10, 16; Jam 2:15-17; I Jn 3:17-18*
  
- To Support the spiritual leaders  
*Gal 6:6; I Tim 5:17-18*
  
- To Send workers who take the gospel to others  
*Rom. 10:14-15; I Cor. 9:9-14*

*“God has a way of giving by the cartloads  
to those who give away by shovelfuls”* Charles Spurgeon