

Financial Management And The Local Church (2 Corinthians 9:16-24)

- **Three sins that plague church leadership:**

- 1) Abuse of _____.
- 2) Sexual _____.
- 3) Financial _____ and mismanagement.

- **“Don’t touch the ...**

- o Girls, Gold, Glory – *Billy Graham*

A. Local church financial management principles

1. **Remember** _____. And my God shall supply all ***your need*** according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.
2. **God** _____ **providing for the needs of the local church through:**
 - a. The faithful _____ of believers.
 - b. Wise financial _____ of God’s resources.
 - c. Transparent financial _____ and _____ practices.
3. **Those who** _____ **the finances of the church need to be:**
 - a. _____. (2 Cor. 8:16-18)
 - b. _____ and _____ servants. (2 Cor. 8:16-17)
 - c. Of _____ in the church. (2 Cor. 8:19)
 - d. Committed to handling money in a _____ manner in the sight of _____ and _____. (2 Cor. 8:20-21)
 - e. _____ faithful in other responsibilities. (2 Cor. 8:22)
4. **Financial** _____ **needs to occur regarding:**
 - a. The _____ of the offerings.

- What might this involve?
 - 1) _____ than one person involved.
 - 2) Secure _____ of the offering.
 - 3) Consistent _____ each time.
 - 4) Proper _____ of amounts received.
 - 5) Timely _____ of funds.
 - 6) Clear _____ between collecting and expenditure responsibilities.

b. The _____ of funds.

- What might this involve?
 - 1) Clear authorization _____ for expenditures.
 - 2) Multiple _____ for larger expenditures.
 - 3) Proper _____ and retention of receipts.
 - 4) Regular _____ of expenditures and supporting records.
 - 5) Elder _____ of significant financial decisions.
 - 6) Congregational _____ regarding major capital expenditures.
- What should be done to guard against both temptation and false accusation?
 - 1) Prevention: _____ situations where unnecessary _____ might arise.
 - 2) Accountability: _____ other trusted believers in handling church finances.
 - 3) Testimony: _____ things honorable in the sight of both _____ and _____.

5. There needs to be _____ and _____ for the financial matters of the local church.

- What might this involve?
 - 1) Regular _____ reporting.
 - 2) Clear _____ of significant financial matters.
 - 3) Elder _____ and review.
 - 4) Congregational _____ of the church's financial condition.

- The question is not: "*What can I give to God?*"
- The question is: "*Will I trust what God has already provided for me in Jesus Christ?*"
- The Bible says, "*Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved.*"

Key verses: 2 Corinthians 9:16-24, Philippians 4:19

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