

## God wants his children to give cheerfully

### What about you?

Often we are reluctant to ask people to become financial partners in our ministry because we worry that they will be reluctant to give or will feel compelled to give if we ask. How can you counter that reluctance on your part to ask?

#### Verse

*Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.*

[2 CORINTHIANS 9:7]



### Prayer – use this prayer or write your own:

Father, it is such a joy to be a partner in your work at the other side of the world or among different people groups at home by giving to someone in gospel ministry. Thank you for those who give cheerfully to my ministry. Amen

### For further reflection

Read Revelation chapter 5 – or even better, take time to read the whole book. Try to sense what it will feel like to be there when God is finally seeing the fulfilment of his eternal purposes for his creation. What a massive excitement. What a spectacular demonstration of power. Today, right now, God allows how we use the gifts of our money, time and abilities to play a part in this tremendous plan.

This should make our giving all the more *hilaros*. His purposes are wonderful beyond words; eternal priorities that far surpass this dying world's priorities. Amazingly, God works with us to fulfil his purposes in our generation. There is no greater joy in life than knowing that we are working together with others in God's family to see his wonderful purposes fulfilled all over the place through our life and giving.

How can you help others in God's family grasp these things, and understand and become excited by the vision God has given you to be part of his purposes?