

## Because of You

Part 1) Because of your Generosity  
Pro-Presenter

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I Thessalonians 3:7

*"So we have been greatly encouraged in the midst of our troubles and suffering, dear brothers and sisters, because you have remained strong in your faith."*

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Vs.8

*"It gives us NEW LIFE to know that you are standing firm in the Lord."*

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Vs.9

*"How we thank God for you!"*

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*"Because of you..."*

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*"Because of you we have Great Joy as we enter God's presence."*

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*"Imagine what would it be like if people around the world could say of you, 'Because of you we have great joy, because of you we're different, because of you our families have been changed, because of you God has met our needs. Because of you spiritually we have been transformed.'"*

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*"I'm always amazed of what can happen when we stop just attending the church, and instead, we become the Church."*

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*"At COC, we'll do anything just short of sin to reach people far from Jesus."*

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Matthew 9:35-38

*"Jesus traveled through all the towns and villages of that area, teaching in the synagogues and announcing the Good News about the Kingdom. And he healed every kind of disease and illness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them because they were confused and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. He said to his disciples, 'The harvest is great, but the workers are few. So pray to the Lord who is in charge of the harvest; ask him to send more workers into his fields.'"*

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1. How do we spend our time?

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Psalm 39:4-5

*"O Lord, make me know my end and what is the measure of my days; let me know how fleeting I am! Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths, and my lifetime is as nothing before you. Surely all mankind stands as a mere breath!"*

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John 9:4

*"We must work the works of Him who sent me while it is day-night is coming, when no one can work."*

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*"Every Christian has gifts and talents from God that they've been called leverage in order to bring more people to Christ"*

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Ephesians 5:15-16

*"Be careful, then, how you live; not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity."*

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2. How do we spend our ability?

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*"When God does an audit on our life is it going to show a profit or a loss for His Kingdom?"*

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*"How many people now know Jesus because you leveraged your time and your talent for the Kingdom?"*

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3. How do we spend our resources?

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I TIMOTHY 6...

*"For we brought nothing into the world, and we can take nothing out of it. 8 But if we have food and clothing, we will be content with that. 9 Those who want to get rich fall into temptation and a trap and into many foolish and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. 10 For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many grief's. 17 Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. 18 Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. 19 In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life."*

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*"It is impossible for a fully devoted follower of Christ to not be generous with their finances"*

*“Giving is never about what God wants from you.  
Giving is always about what God wants for you.”*

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*“If you’re going to wait for the right time to begin giving  
you never will. It’s called a step of faith for a reason.”*

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