**9:1**There is no need for me to write to you about this service to the Lord’s people. **2**For I know your eagerness to help, and I have been boasting about it to the Macedonians, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ them that since last year you in Achaia were ready to give; and your enthusiasm has \_\_\_\_\_\_ most of them to \_\_\_\_\_\_. **3**But I am sending the brothers in order that our boasting about you in this matter should not prove \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, but that you may be ready, as I said you would be. **4**For if any Macedonians come with me and find you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, we—not to say anything about you—would be ashamed of having been so confident. **5**So I thought it \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to urge the brothers to visit you in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and finish the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for the generous gift you had promised. Then it will be ready as a generous gift, not as one \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ given.

**6**Remember this: Whoever \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ will also reap \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and whoever \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ will also reap \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. **7**Each of you should give what you have \_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ in your heart to give, not \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or under compulsion, for God loves a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_. **8**And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will in every good work. **9**As it is written: “They have freely scattered their gifts to the poor; their righteousness \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ forever.”

**10**Now he who \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ seed to the \_\_\_\_\_ and bread for food will also supply and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_ of seed and will \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the harvest of your righteousness. **11**You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.

**12**This service that you \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is not only \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord’s people but is also overflowing in many \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of thanks to God. **13**Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, others will praise God for the obedience that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else. **14**And in their prayers for you their hearts will go out to you, because of the surpassing grace God has given you. **15**Thanks be to God for his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ gift!

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