

•	God not only notices the gift, but He also sees the attitude of the when we give.
•	When we give, and God looks down into our heart, what does God desire to see?
•	How can we give to the Lord with "a perfect heart," like Israel did in our text?
First, when we give rather than grudgingly - vs. 6, 9, 14, 17	
•	This is so precious to God, when He sees us giving because we Him, and because we love His work, and we truly <b>want</b> to give.
•	"Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7
Second, when we give rather than bitterly - vs. 6-9	
•	Why would God love a cheerful giver? It is simply because there is no way to give <b>cheerfully</b> unless you give <b>willingly</b> , and it is that willingness and to give that God loves to see.

- "As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep... No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father."
  John 10:15, 18
- "Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God." **Hebrews 12:2**
- Giving always produces \_\_\_\_\_ when it is done with a right heart.

## Third, when we give \_\_\_\_\_ rather than selfishly - vs. 11-16

- "For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich."
  2 Corinthians 8:9
- The grace giver gives back to God thankfully because he recognizes that \_\_\_\_\_ he has comes from God.

## In Conclusion:

- Does God notice our heart when we give? Absolutely!
- It brings such joy to His heart when He sees a believer giving willingly, joyfully, and thankfully. Giving truly becomes an act of \_\_\_\_\_\_. vs. 20-22