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In fact, it was your enthusiasm that stirred up many of the Macedonian believers to begin giving. Verse 3. But I am sending these brothers to be sure you really are ready, as I have been telling them, and that your money is all collected. I don't want to be wrong in my boasting about you.

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Verse 4. We would be embarrassed -- not to mention your own embarrassment -- if some Macedonian believers came with me and found that you weren't ready after all I had told them! Verse 5. So I thought I should send these brothers ahead of me to make sure the gift you promised is ready. But I want it to be a willing gift, not one given grudgingly. NLT

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Verse 6. Remember this -- a farmer who plants only a few seeds will get a small crop. But the one who plants generously will get a generous crop. Verse 7. You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. "For God loves a person who gives cheerfully."

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Verse 8. And God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others. Verse 9. As the Scriptures say, "They share freely and give generously to the poor. Their good deeds will be remembered forever."

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