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2 CORINTHIANS 8:8-9



Good News
for
All People



THE ORIGINAL MESSAGE
OF CHRISTMAS



SINGLE MOMS

REFUGEE FAMILIES

FOSTER CHILDREN

EXPLOITED WOMEN

THE HOMELESS





WHY SHOULD WE CARE

- **BECAUSE PEOPLE ARE MADE IN THE IMAGE OF GOD**



26 THEN GOD SAID, “LET US MAKE MANKIND **IN OUR IMAGE**, IN OUR LIKENESS, SO THAT THEY MAY RULE OVER THE FISH IN THE SEA AND THE BIRDS IN THE SKY, OVER THE LIVESTOCK AND ALL THE WILD ANIMALS, [A] AND OVER ALL THE CREATURES THAT MOVE ALONG THE GROUND.” 27 SO **GOD CREATED MANKIND IN HIS OWN IMAGE**, IN THE IMAGE OF GOD HE CREATED THEM; MALE AND FEMALE HE CREATED THEM.

GENESIS 1:26–27





WHY SHOULD WE CARE

- BECAUSE PEOPLE ARE MADE IN THE IMAGE OF GOD
- **BECAUSE ALL OF OUR STUFF BELONGS TO GOD ANYWAY**



THE EARTH IS THE LORD'S, AND EVERYTHING IN IT,
THE WORLD, AND ALL WHO LIVE IN IT;

PSALM 24:1



10 FOR EVERY BEAST OF THE FOREST IS MINE, THE
CATTLE ON A THOUSAND HILLS. 11 I KNOW ALL THE
BIRDS OF THE HILLS, AND ALL THAT MOVES IN THE
FIELD IS MINE. 12 "IF I WERE HUNGRY, I WOULD NOT
TELL YOU, FOR THE WORLD AND ITS FULLNESS ARE
MINE.

PSALM 50:10-12





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- **BECAUSE OF THE GRACE OF GOD**



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THAT IS THE REAL PROOF THAT YOU BELIEVE YOUR SINS HAVE BEEN ATONED FOR, AND THAT YOU HAVE TRULY BEEN HUMBLLED BY THAT KNOWLEDGE AND ARE NOW LIVING A LIFE SUBMITTED TO GOD AND SHAPED BY KNOWLEDGE OF HIM. PEOPLE WHO FAST AND PRAY RITUALLY BUT STILL SHOW PRIDE AND HAUGHTINESS TOWARD THE POOR AND NEEDY REVEAL THAT NO TRUE HUMBLING HAS EVER PENETRATED THEIR HEARTS.

TIM KELLER



IF YOU LOOK DOWN AT THE POOR AND STAY ALOOF
FROM THEIR SUFFERING, YOU HAVE NOT REALLY
UNDERSTOOD OR EXPERIENCED GOD'S GRACE.

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HOW WE SHOULD CARE

- **RELIEF**



HOW WE SHOULD CARE

- RELIEF
- **DEVELOPMENT**



13 AND WHEN YOU RELEASE THEM, DO NOT SEND THEM AWAY EMPTY-HANDED. 14 SUPPLY THEM LIBERALLY FROM YOUR FLOCK, YOUR THRESHING FLOOR AND YOUR WINEPRESS. GIVE TO THEM AS THE LORD YOUR GOD HAS BLESSED YOU. 15 REMEMBER THAT YOU WERE SLAVES IN EGYPT AND THE LORD YOUR GOD REDEEMED YOU. THAT IS WHY I GIVE YOU THIS COMMAND TODAY.

DEUTERONOMY 15:13–15



HOW WE SHOULD CARE

- RELIEF
- DEVELOPMENT
- **SOCIAL IMPACT**



1 WOE TO THOSE WHO MAKE UNJUST LAWS, TO
THOSE WHO ISSUE OPPRESSIVE DECREES, 2 TO
DEPRIVE THE POOR OF THEIR RIGHTS AND
WITHHOLD JUSTICE FROM THE OPPRESSED OF MY
PEOPLE, MAKING WIDOWS THEIR PREY AND
ROBBING THE FATHERLESS.

ISAIAH 10:1-2



