

Every Need Supplied

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Philippians 4:10-20

“...And my God will supply every need of yours according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

...” (verse 19)

Paul finishes his letter to the Philippians with thankfulness for their partnership in the ministry of the gospel and especially for their financial support.

- ❖ Only the Philippian church was concerned about Paul and willing to give financial support!
Philippians 4:10; 14-16
- ❖ Paul knew that the source of every need in his life was the Lord Jesus! *Philippians 4:13*
- ❖ Paul emphasized that giving to the work of God was an act of worship!
 - The financial gifts that Paul received were “... *a fragrant offering, a sacrifice acceptable and pleasing to God!*” *Philippians 4:18*
- ❖ Paul assured the Philippian Christians that in return for their generous giving, God would abundantly provide for all their needs! *Philippians 4:19*

Biblical Directives in Giving

- ❖ God owns Everything!
 - 1 Chronicles 29:10-13
- ❖ Giving Tithes and Offerings
 - Malachi 3:10-12
 - God commands His people to honor Him with Tithes and Offerings!
 - God’s promises to pour down blessings to those who honor Him.
- ❖ Giving to the poor
 - 2 Corinthians 8:1-5; 9:6-15
 - God cares about the needs of the poor!
 - Key attitude in giving
“...they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us.” 2 Corinthians 8:5
 - Key motive for giving
“Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.” 2 Corinthians 9:7
- ❖ Giving to the work of the ministry
 - “Do you not know that those who are employed in the temple service get their food from the temple, and those who serve at the altar share in the sacrificial offerings?” 1 Corinthians 9:13*
 - The Levites lived on the tithes and offerings of the people ... and tithed themselves!
 - Deuteronomy 14:28-29

- Those in full-time ministry live on the tithes and offerings of God's people.
- Paul thanked the Philippians for their support of the ministry to which God had called him!
Philippians 4:16-17

❖ Giving to facilities needed for worship and the work of the Lord

- Exodus 35:4-10; 20-35; 36:5-7

Giving financially is an act of worship before God!

*“And my God will supply every need of yours
according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus.
To our God and Father be glory forever and ever.
Amen.”!*

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