

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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