

GOD SHALL SUPPLY ALL YOUR NEEDS, NOT YOUR GREEDS

(Philippians 4:18-23)

I. CONFLICT IN THE LOCAL CHURCH (4:1-3)

II. THE PREREQUISITES OF INNER PEACE (4:4-7)

III. WITH THE BETTER CHOICE COMES A PEACE OF MIND (4:8-9)

IV. PEACE WITH REGARDS TO DAILY NEEDS (4:10-13)

V. THE APOSTLE'S EVALUATION OF THE FINANCIAL GIFT (4:14-17)

VI. THE SACRIFICE OF THE PHILIPPIANS AND THE SUFFICIENCY OF GOD (4:18-19)

A. An ACCEPTABLE sacrifice (4:18)

1. Paul used three verbs to describe his gift from the Philippians...

a. The verb “_____” is a business term which speaks of total reimbursement.

b. “*And abound*” informs us that he thought that he had received _____ than he deserved.

c. Finally “*I am full*” is a verb that indicates that he had no immediate, _____ physical _____; by the grace of God they had been met.

2. The apostle used terms that were reminiscent of Israel's sacrificial system...

a. Three out of five offerings presented by Israel to God were that of _____ offerings. (Lev. 1:1-6:7)

b. This “*offering*” was not only _____, but it was “*well _____ to God.*”

* What are some spiritual sacrifices that believers can make today unto the Lord?
(Ps 19:14; Rom. 12:1-2; 15:16; Philip. 2:17; Heb. 13:15-16; 1 Pet. 2:5)

B. ALL your needs SUPPLIED (4:19)

1. In pouring everything out to meet Paul's need, the Philippians now had a _____ that God was fully capable of _____; He would make up the difference.
2. "According to His _____ in glory" describes the inexhaustible _____ from which God draws from to meet the needs of His dear child.
3. The prepositional phrase, "by Jesus Christ" should constantly remind each and every one of us, the _____ in which we stand is ours by virtue of the _____.

VII. PAUL'S CLOSING FAREWELL (4:20-23)

- A. Paul greeted the church in Philippi as a whole, but yet as _____, "Greet every saint in Christ Jesus." (v. 21a)
- B. The _____ family members that were with the apostle wanted to say, "_____" to their brothers and sisters. (v. 21b)
- C. Not only the believers in Rome that made up the local church greeted them, but astonishingly also those who had gotten saved in the very _____ of the _____. (v. 22)
- D. Just as he began his letter in 1:2 with "_____ to you," so he ended it with, "The _____ of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all." (v. 23)

* What have you and I learned throughout this powerful, inspired letter?