

ONE CHURCH series—Week 10
Philippians 4:10-23
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ONE CHURCH: ONE ACCOUNT

*"Not that I seek the gift itself, but I seek for the profit which increases to your account."
Philippians 4:17*

Philippians 4:10-23 — One Long "Thank You" to a Generous Church

10 But I rejoiced in the Lord greatly, that now at last you have revived your concern for me; indeed, you were concerned before, but you lacked opportunity. **11** Not that I speak from want, for I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances I am. **12** I know how to get along with humble means, and I also know how to live in prosperity; in any and every circumstance I have learned the secret of being filled and going hungry, both of having abundance and suffering need. **13** I can do all things through Him who strengthens me. **14** Nevertheless, you have done well to share with me in my affliction.

15 You yourselves also know, Philippians, that at the first preaching of the gospel, after I left Macedonia, no church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving but you alone; **16** for even in Thessalonica you sent a gift more than once for my needs. **17** Not that I seek the gift itself, but I seek for the profit which increases to your account. **18** But I have received everything in full and have an abundance; I am amply supplied, having received from Epaphroditus what you have sent, a fragrant aroma, an acceptable sacrifice, well-pleasing to God. **19** And my God will supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus. **20** Now to our God and Father be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

21 Greet every saint in Christ Jesus. The brethren who are with me greet you. **22** All the saints greet you, especially those of Caesar's household.

23 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.

Lessons Learned

- You Have a Giving Account with God (v. 17)
- Giving Money is Sending Money (vs. 16 and 18)

- Giving Makes a Profit for Me (v. 17)
- God Enjoys the Gift I Send (v. 18)
- God Meets All Our Needs Always (vs. 13 and 19)
- Giving is the Real Good Life (Acts 20:35; joy in the book of Philippians)

. . . remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He Himself said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

— Luke (quoting Jesus), Acts 20:35

Then Jesus said to them, "Beware, and be on your guard against every form of greed; for not even when one has an abundance does his life consist of his possessions." — Jesus, Luke 12:15

The Amazing Generosity of God — Philippians 4:23

His love has no limit, His grace has no measure,
His pow'r has no boundary known unto men;
For out of His infinite riches in Jesus,
He giveth, and giveth, and giveth again.

*"The grace (generosity) of the Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit."
Philippians 4:23*