



Grateful Hearts, Alive in Christ, for the Sake of God's World
NATIONAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STEWARDSHIP 2024

2024 Stewardship Devotional
Week 2: God's Abundance and Our Generosity

Scripture: *And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. As it is written, 'He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever.' He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. 2 Corinthians 9:8-10*

Application: God's abundance is the source of our generosity. When we trust in God's provision and sow generously, God multiplies our efforts and increases the harvest of righteousness in our lives.

Paul continues the imagery of a farmer sowing seed which results in an abundant harvest. He reminds the Corinthians that God supplies all the resources they need to produce a bountiful harvest. When we trust in God's provision for our lives and obediently sow our resources into God's work, God not only ensures we have enough for our needs but also multiplies our seed for sowing. This multiplication results in a richer harvest of righteousness, reflecting the spiritual growth and transformation that generosity brings about in our lives.

As we consider these verses, reflect on the trustworthiness of God's abundant provision. Our acts of generosity are not only reliant on our finite resources but on God's boundless abundance. Imagine his delight when his children joyfully share what he has given! By trusting in his provision and sowing generously into his work, we open ourselves to experience a deeper level of spiritual growth and righteousness.

Questions for Reflection: Being generous requires a heart that loves the Lord above all else. How does recognizing God as the source of abundance impact your view of giving? In what areas of your life can you sow more generously, trusting in God's provision?

Action Steps: This week write down the blessings from God you notice each day. Be sure to offer thanksgiving for those gifts. Spend time in prayer asking God to identify areas where you can increase your generosity, both within and outside the church. What concrete steps can you take to do so this week?

Prayer: *Gracious God, thank you for your generous blessings in my life. Continue to work in my heart to show me how I can learn to trust in your provision in all areas of my life, and then share out of that abundance. In Jesus' name, amen.*

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