

FIRE BY NIGHT

"Reflections Upon Reflections" [of The Father's Heart]

...."You, in Your great compassion, did not forsake them in the wilderness; The pillar of cloud did not leave them by day, to guide them on their way, or the pillar of fire by night, to light for them the way in which they were to go".... Nehemiah 9:19 NASB

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A SUPERNATURAL GUARANTEE

Words of prophecy:

* *The best "investment" that one of My children can make, in any given moment, is for them to be found sowing seeds with "pinpoint accuracy" [spirit, soul, body and/or financially] according to the still, small voice of My Spirit.*

...."Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in or steal; for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also".... Matthew 6:19-21 NASB

In reality, "investments" made into God's Kingdom are the ONLY ones that have an absolutely guaranteed return.

In Philippians 4:19 the Word states:

...."And my God will liberally supply [fill to the full] your every need according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus".... Philippians 4:19 The Amplified Translation

Many constantly claim this verse over their lives [*and so they should*] without understanding the full context in which Paul wrote this verse - in other words, what these words meant not only for the believers at Philippi but also for us today as true [*faithful*] believers. This verse applies to "givers" [*those who are obedient to the still, small voice of the Holy Spirit - not only in finances but in*

every other area, also] and the words proclaim *[set forth]* an absolute *[supernatural]* guarantee of superabundant financial blessing.

Below is quote from Rick Renner explaining the historical context of Philippians 4:19:

When Paul wrote his epistle to the Philippians, he was incarcerated in one of the worst prisons in the entire Roman Empire. However, because he was a Roman citizen, Paul had the right to receive and send mail. One day as he sat alone in that dark, dank prison, Paul received a letter from the church of Philippi. It had been hand-delivered by a Christian brother named Epaphroditus, and as Paul read the letter, he quickly read that Epaphroditus had also brought a special offering that the church of Philippi had sent to him.

In the Roman penal system, an imprisoned Roman citizen had the legal right for his friends or family to put money into a special “account” held in his name. He couldn’t access the money while he remained in prison, but if he was finally released, those funds were given to him so he could have money to start his life over again. Therefore, it was common for family and friends to bring money to the prison and deposit it into the account of their loved one in case he was fortunate enough to be released at a later time.

When Epaphroditus came from the church of Philippi, he brought Paul a letter that let the elderly apostle know the saints were praying for him. In fact, Paul specifically mentioned their prayers of agreement in Philippians 1:19. And accompanying the this letter was a special offering, which was placed into Paul’s account at the prison so he would have money to start life over again when he was released back into society.

That financial gift meant a lot more than money to Paul. First, it meant his friends were so full of faith that he would be released that they were putting money into his account and preparing for his release. This was faith in action that brought encouragement to Paul. He called it “an odor of a sweet smell” (see Philippians 4:18), which simply meant their actions were like a breath of fresh air!

It was in response to the Philippian believers’ offering and generosity that Paul wrote: “But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus”.

You have to remember that the Philippians had just given a sacrificial gift to Paul. In response to that gift, Paul said, in effect, "Because of what you have done, now look what God is going to do for you. He is going to supply all your needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus!"

Paul wrote that God would "supply" all the Philippian believers' needs in light of their giving, just as He will do for us in light of our heartfelt giving. The word "supply" is the Greek word "pleroo", which means to fulfill or to make full. In other words, if we have any kind of want or need in our lives, God will take that want and fill it. God doesn't have any kind of shortage in Heaven. According to Philippians 4:19, He fulfills our needs according to His "riches" in glory by Christ Jesus. The word "riches" is the Greek word "ploutos", which describes immense wealth or riches beyond imagination. It is where we get the word for a plutocrat, which describes a person who possesses riches so immense that they are seemingly immeasurable. God is the original Plutocrat; He knows no lack and has no insufficiencies!

When we set our heart on obeying in this matter of meeting the "needs" of the Gospel of the Kingdom [*its establishment in the hearts of men and women throughout the earth*], it is certain that the Father will move in a very big way to make sure that our needs are met perfectly - and, when the Father meets our needs, He will do it in a manner that is exceeding abundantly beyond all we can ask or think!

.... "Now to Him Who, by [in consequence of] the [action of His] power that is at work within us, is able to [carry out His purpose and] do superabundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams] - to Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations forever and ever. Amen [so be it]".... Ephesians 3:20-21 The Amplified Translation

.... "For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor, so that you through His poverty might become rich".... 2 Corinthians 8:9 NASB

Prayer of Proclamation:

Father, we thank You and praise You that as we are faithful to give of that which You have blessed us with You are THEN free to liberally supply each and

every one of our needs [*spirit, soul, body, financially, relationship-wise, location/environment-wise and ministry-wise*] according to Your riches [*abundance, wealth*] in glory - according to Your Goodness and great Love for us. And we declare all of these things done [*on an ongoing basis*] - to Your greatest Glory, in Jesus' Name. Amen.