

Series: Standfast In the Lord

ACCORDING TO HIS RICHES

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Introduction:

It is good at times to reflect and remember the reservoir from which God is able to supply whatever is necessary for the answering of our prayers.

Romans 2:4 speaks of it as “the riches of his goodness.”

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*⁴ Or despisest thou **the riches of his goodness** and forbearance and longsuffering; not knowing that the goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance?*

In Ephesians 1:7 it is the “riches of his grace.”

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*⁷ In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to **the riches of his grace**;*

In Ephesians 3:6 speaks of the “riches of his glory.”

Ephesians 3:16

¹⁶ *That he would grant you, **according to the riches of his glory**, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man;*

What a tremendous blessing are the words of our passage.

God promises us that He will meet all of our need as his people. All too often people seemingly suffer need because their faith in God to meet their need is so little. Trust in God and Him alone, He will never fail you.

Notice with me this evening as we consider that wonderful statement “According to his riches” and consider the truths are the results of this great blessing.

1. SOURCE OF THE SUPPLY (VS. 19)

Philippians 4:19

¹⁹ *But **my God** shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.*

Paul was trusting in none other than God to meet his needs. He did not put his trust in man or anything else. He placed his trust firmly in God and God alone.

Notice two things with me about our God, and why we can trust him to meet our needs:

A. His Unbroken Promises

God has never made a promise that He has not kept. If He tells you he will do something then you can count on it. Here in our text He promises us that He will meet all of our needs, and that is a promise that He will not break.

B. His Unlimited Power

We are not talking about someone who makes a promise that does not have the power to carry that promise out. God is infinite in power. His promises are backed by His unlimited power. God has the power to back up what He says that He will do.

Notice not only “The Source of the Supply” but also:

2. THE SURETY OF THE SUPPLY (VS. 19)

Philippians 4:19

¹⁹ *But my God **shall** supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.*

Paul was quite confident that God would meet his needs, and I am confident that He will meet ours as well. There are two things that inspire such confidence.

Notice:

A. The Love of God Provides Confidence

- God's Love is Unmerited

God's dealings with us are always out of grace. We are saved by grace, we are empowered for Christian service by grace, and we are kept by grace. God's love is always unmerited.

- God's Love is Unchanging

God's love is always like that—eternal, unending, unchanging. Spurgeon said, "God soon turns from His wrath but never from His love."

- God's Love is Universal

John 3:16

¹⁶ *For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that **whosoever** believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.*

B. The Loyalty of God Provides Confidence

Hebrews 13:5

⁵ *Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: **for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.***

Notice not only “The Source of the Supply” and the “Surety of the Supply” but also:

3. THE SCOPE OF THE SUPPLY (VS. 19)

Philippians 4:19

*¹⁹ But my God shall supply **all your need** according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.*

Paul had confidence that he would not have want for any need; God would meet them all.

God always meets our needs. Notice with me two facts concerning our needs that are met by God:

A. God Meets Our Needs in a Timely Manner

It may seem as if we may not have everything that we need today, however when you truly need it God will see to it that the need is met.

Matthew 6:6-8

*⁶ But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly. ⁷ But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking. ⁸ Be not ye therefore like unto them: **for your Father knoweth what things ye have need of, before ye ask him.***

Matthew 6:31-33

³¹ Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? ³² (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) **for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.** ³³ But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Luke 12:22-32

²² And he said unto his disciples, Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat; neither for the body, what ye shall put on. ²³ The life is more than meat, and the body is more than raiment. ²⁴ Consider the ravens: for they neither sow nor reap; which neither have storehouse nor barn; and God feedeth them: how much more are ye better than the fowls? ²⁵ And which of you with taking thought can add to his stature one cubit? ²⁶ If ye then be not able to do that thing which is least, why take ye thought for the rest? ²⁷ Consider the lilies how they grow: they toil not, they spin not; and yet I say unto you, that Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. ²⁸ If then God so clothe the grass, which is to day in the field, and to morrow is cast into the oven; how much more will he clothe you, O ye of little faith? ²⁹ And seek not ye what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink, neither be ye of doubtful mind. ³⁰ For all these things do the nations of the world seek after: and **your Father knoweth that ye have need of these things.** ³¹ But rather seek ye the

kingdom of God; and all these things shall be added unto you. ³² Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

God Meets Our Needs in a Timely Manner but also:

B. God Meets Our Needs in a Thorough Manner

He promises us that He will meet **ALL** of our needs, and that is exactly what He will do.

When God meets the need, the need is abolished; He meets it completely.

Notice not only “The Source of the Supply”, “The Surety of the Supply” and the “Scope of the Supply” but also:

4. THE SUBSTANCE OF THE SUPPLY (VS. 19)

Philippians 4:19

*¹⁹ But my God shall supply all your need **according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.***

Note

A. The Provision He Uses to Bring It to Pass

“According to His riches in glory”

We at times sing “He owns the cattle on a thousand hills.” But the truth is He owns everything.

His riches are inexhaustible.

Note not only The Means He Uses to Bring It to Pass but also:

B. The Person He Uses to Bring It To Pass

“By Christ Jesus”

God says that He will meet our needs out of the inexhaustible supply of his riches through His only begotten son. In other words, if you are found in Christ as a child of God, or if you have been accepted in the beloved He will see to it that your needs are met.

Close:

It is His desire to take care of His little ones. May we trust Him as we should.