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2 Corinthians 9:6-15

God's blessings *to* us are not meant to end *with* us. His desire is that they filter down to others. This principle applies in all areas of our life, including our finances. Did you know that our heavenly Father has plans for our money? God's children generally want to discover what His will is for their life, but so often they fail to consult Him about His desires for their paycheck.

The Lord graciously supplies us with income so we can provide for our needs and even some of our desires. But He also wants us to use our money to achieve His purposes. And one of His goals is that we share our resources with others. If we decide in our heart to participate in His plans, He commits to provide all we need to live and to share.

Just look at His extravagant promise in [2 Corinthians 9:8](#): "And God is able to make *all* grace *abound* to you, so that *always* having *all* *sufficiency* in *everything*, you may have an *abundance* for *every* good deed" (emphasis added). This encouraging scripture is a good reminder that sharing blessings with others will never lead to deprivation. In fact, the Lord promises to increase the harvest of our righteousness and enrich us in everything in response to our generosity. We can never outgive God.

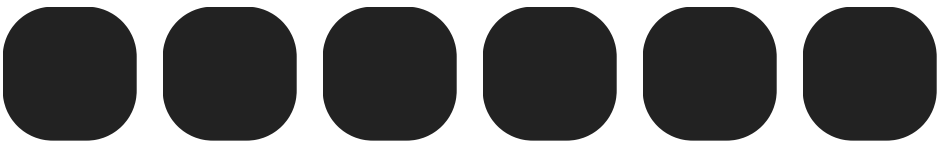
A hoarded blessing is never enjoyed as richly as a shared one. Using your gift to meet someone else's need glorifies the Lord by demonstrating His grace at work in your life.

Don't allow His generous provisions to end with you. Pass them on to others and discover the joy of a never-ending cycle of blessings.

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