# Rejoicing in Christ "The Blessings of Christian Giving" (Philippians 4:15-20)

## Introduction

	Thesis:	I want you to consider with me five bleeknow its joy in your daily life.	ssings through	Christian giving and come to
I.	Christian	giving enters into a special		with God's people (vv. 15-16).
II.	Christiar	n giving bears spiritual	(vs. 17).	
III.	Christiar	n giving brings God	_ (vs. 18).	
IV.	Christiar	n giving receives the	_ of God's con	itinued care (vs. 19).
V.	Christian	giving leads to God's	(vs. 20).	

## **Conclusion**

### Text: Philippians 4:15-20

<sup>15</sup> 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 except you alone; <sup>16</sup> for even in Thessalonica you sent a aift more than once for my needs. 17 Not that I seek the gift itself, but I seek 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, pleasing to God. <sup>19</sup> 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.

## **Related Texts:**

3 John 5-8 <sup>5</sup> Beloved, you are acting faithfully in whatever you accomplish for the brothers *and sisters*, and especially *when they are* strangers; <sup>6</sup> and they have testified to your love before the church. You will do well to send them on their way in a manner worthy of God. <sup>7</sup> For they went out for the sake of the Name, accepting nothing from the Gentiles. <sup>8</sup> Therefore we ought to support such people, so that we may prove to be fellow workers with the truth.

#### Proverbs 11:25

<sup>25</sup> A generous person will be prosperous, And one who gives *others* plenty of water will himself be given plenty.

**Luke 6:38** <sup>38</sup> Give, and it will be given to you. They will pour into your lap a good measure—pressed down, shaken together, *and* running over. For by your standard of measure it will be measured to you in return."

**2 Corinthians 9:6** <sup>6</sup> Now *I say* this: the one who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and the one who sows generously will also reap generously.

**Hebrews 13:15-16** <sup>15</sup> Through Him then, let's continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips praising His name. <sup>16</sup> And do not neglect doing good and sharing, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

### Proverbs 3:9-10

<sup>9</sup> Honor the LORD from your wealth,
And from the first of all your produce;
<sup>10</sup> Then your barns will be filled with plenty,
And your vats will overflow with new wine.

#### 2 Corinthians 9:8-10

<sup>8</sup> And God is able to make all grace overflow to you, so that, always having all sufficiency in everything, you may have an abundance for every good deed; <sup>9</sup> as it is written: "HE SCATTERED ABROAD, HE GAVE TO THE POOR, HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS ENDURES FOREVER."

<sup>10</sup> Now 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;

#### 1 Corinthians 10:31

<sup>31</sup> Therefore, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all things for the glory of God.