

The God Who Provides

Giving God's Way – Part 5

II Corinthians 9:7-15

Gen 22:14
Jehovah-Jireh

The God-centered Conclusion to 'Giving God's Way'

**This final word on giving is all about God!
His character and purpose empowers it all:**

- Amazing Grace Giving (8:1-7)
- Patterns & Principles (8:8-15)
- Above Reproach – Proof of Grace (8:16-24)
- Intentional – Willing – Generous (8:24-9:7)
- The God Who Provides (9:7-15)

What this says about God – and giving

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- God does not bless us reluctantly or sparingly! This must be the attitude of our heart as we meet other's needs. See [Deut 15:7-11](#).
- We must be like Him: not hard-hearted and tight-fisted but having an open heart and an open hand!

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- We can loosen our fist, open our hand, release our grasp, without concern for disadvantage or loss. To give is not to have less.
- We can be content – peacefully confident that He is sufficient for our every need. We do not need that which He does not supply. See [Phil 4:11](#) and [I Tim 6:6](#).

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- Genesis 22:8,14 *'the Lord will provide, will be seen'* and Heb 11:17-19
- We follow in the footsteps of the faith of Abraham. Seeing Him for who He is, we trust in His provision. Trusting in His provision, we see Him for who He is.
- If He sees fit to increase our resources – it is not so much to raise our standard of living, as to raise our standard of generous giving.

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- Generous, gracious sharing in the needs of others results in thanksgiving and praise directed to God.
- Others glorify God (i.e. treasuring and valuing Him) when the way we handle our treasures shows that we treasure and value Him above them!

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God gives us the inexpressibly great gift



Sméagol

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