



THE SEASON OF FINANCIAL STRESS Philippians 4:19 Parts 1-3

GOD'S GUARANTEE:

"God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:19

THE CONDITIONS: GOD PROMISES TO MEET MY FINANCIAL NEEDS...

1. IF I ASK

"You do not have, because you do not ask God." James 4:2 (NIV)

"You have not asked for anything in my name. <u>Ask</u> and you will receive, <u>so that your joy will</u> <u>be the fullest possible joy</u>." John 16:24 (NCV)

2. IF I LEARN _____

"I know how to live on almost nothing or with everything. I have <u>learned</u> the secret of <u>contentment</u> in every situation." Philippians 4:12 (LB)

Contentment -- my happiness doesn't depend...

"There's great gain in godliness combined with <u>contentment</u> for we brought nothing into the world and we can take nothing out of it." 1 Timothy 6:6-7 (NRSV)

3. IF I PRACTICE _____

"Remember this: Whoever <u>sows</u> sparingly will also <u>reap</u> sparingly, and whoever <u>sows</u> <u>generously will also reap generously</u>. Each one should give what he's decided to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make <u>ALL</u> grace abound to you, so that in <u>ALL</u> things at <u>ALL</u> times, having <u>ALL THAT YOU</u> <u>NEED</u>, you will abound in <u>EVERY</u> good work." 2 Corinthians 9:6-8 (NIV)

"Honor the Lord by giving him the <u>first part</u> of all your income, and <u>he will fill your barns</u>..." Proverbs 3:9-10 (LB)

4. IF I MAINTAIN

"The Lord demands fairness in every business deal..." Proverbs 16:11 (LB)

"Better be poor and honest than rich and dishonest." Proverbs 19:1

"The blessing of the Lord brings wealth, and he adds <u>no trouble</u> to it." Proverbs 10:22 (NIV)

5. IF I TRUST HIM_____

"Your heavenly Father <u>already knows</u> perfectly well what you need ... and he will give it to you <u>if you give him first place in your life</u> and live as he wants you to." Matthew 6:33 (LB)

"Don't... put your hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but <u>put your hope in God</u>..." 1 Timothy 6:17

He gives food to those who trust him he never forgets his promises." Psalm 111:5 (LB)