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*I Have All I Need – Phil 4:19*

1. Our ***perspective*** impacts how we will ***understand*** this promise.

a. Our Perspective of God – Who you acknowledge God to be matters.

b. Our Perspective of Need **–** There is a difference between “*wants*” and “*needs*”.

- We cannot trust ourselves in determining what we need.

 - Our perspective is tainted by our sinful nature as well.

c. God is the only one who can meet all of my needs – even if I don’t totally understand the situation that I find myself in. It might not be what I want, but it is precisely what I need.

2. Our ***participation*** impacts how we will ***experience*** this promise.

a. We are called to *participate* in the things of God.

b. The matter of *giving and receiving* is unified.

c. But the partnership here is not between two parties alone – it is actually a *trilateral relationship* that always includes and goes through God.

d. The gift of the church was revealing that God’s work had been bearing fruit in their lives and was seen as an *offering* to God.

e. The gift of the church was *sacrificial*.

f. God is going to always give us his best, and therefore, as followers of Jesus Christ, saved by grace and by his sacrifice, we must always respond by giving him our best as well (Mal. 1:6-14).

g. We *should* test him with our finances (Mal. 1:8-10)

h. Our obedience to genuine, sacrificial giving results in spiritual growth and a renewed sense of who God is. (2 Cor 9:6-8; 12:9),

3. Our ***priority*** impacts how we will ***express*** this promise.

a. Our giving is an *act of worship* to the Lord.

b. When we truly embrace the promise that God will consistently meet all of our needs, our lifestyle *reflects* the provision of God.