

Philippians 4:19

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

Analysis

But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus (ὁ δὲ θεός μου πληρώσει πᾶσαν χρείαν ὑμῶν κατὰ τὸ πλοῦτος αὐτοῦ ἐν δόξῃ ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ, ho de theos mou plērōsei pasan chreian hymōn kata to ploutos autou en doxē en Christō Iēsou)—Ho theos mou ("my God")—personal, possessive. Plērōsei ("will supply, fill")—future promise. Pasan chreian ("every need")—comprehensive provision. Kata to ploutos autou ("according to His riches")—kata ("according to") shows proportion: God gives not from but according to infinite resources. En doxē ("in glory")—the sphere or manner: glorious, lavish provision. En Christō Iēsou ("in Christ Jesus")—the means. This promise reciprocates their generosity: they supplied Paul's need (v. 18); God will supply theirs. The logic: generous givers never lack because God replenishes. This verse completes Paul's gratitude section (4:10-19): they gave sacrificially; God will supply abundantly.

Historical Context

This promise isn't prosperity gospel—God supplies 'need' (chreian), not greed or luxuries. Philippians were economically challenged (2 Cor 8:2) yet gave beyond ability. Paul promises divine provision for faithful givers, not guaranteed wealth. Context is contentment (vv. 11-13) and worship-giving (v. 18). God's 'riches in glory' are infinitely greater than earthly wealth—spiritual blessings and eternal inheritance (Eph 1:3, 18). The promise is certain (God's faithfulness) but may be fulfilled spiritually more than materially.

Related Passages

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

Ephesians 2:8 — Salvation by grace through faith

Study Questions

1. What is the difference between God supplying 'every need' (pasan chreian) versus desires or greed?
2. How does God supply 'according to His riches' (kata to ploutos) versus 'out of His riches'?
3. What needs has God supplied for you in response to faithful generosity?

Interlinear Text

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G3588 **But** G1161 **God** G2316 **my** G3450 **shall supply** G4137 **all** G3956 **need** G5532 **your** G5216

κατὰ τὸν πλοῦτον αὐτοῦ ἐν δόξῃ ἐν Χριστῷ
according to G2596 G3588 **riches** G4149 G846 **by** G1722 **glory** G1391 **by** G1722 **Christ** G5547

Ἰησοῦ
Jesus
G2424

Additional Cross-References

Psalms 84:11 (Glory): For the LORD God is a sun and shield: the LORD will give grace and glory: no good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.

1 Peter 5:10 (Glory): But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while, make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle you.

1 Timothy 6:17 (References God): Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy;

Micah 7:7 (References God): Therefore I will look unto the LORD; I will wait for the God of my salvation: my God will hear me.

Malachi 3:10 (Parallel theme): Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

Nehemiah 9:15 (Parallel theme): And gavest them bread from heaven for their hunger, and broughtest forth water for them out of the rock for their thirst, and promisedst them that they should go in to possess the land which thou hadst sworn to give them.

2 Samuel 22:7 (References God): In my distress I called upon the LORD, and cried to my God: and he did hear my voice out of his temple, and my cry did enter into his ears.

Psalms 36:8 (Parallel theme): They shall be abundantly satisfied with the fatness of thy house; and thou shalt make them drink of the river of thy pleasures.

Colossians 1:27 (Glory): To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory:

Ephesians 3:16 (Glory): That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man;