



Giving

How to give effectively.

Philippians 4:14-20

Philippians 4:14-20 – ¹⁴Yet it was good of you to share in my troubles. ¹⁵Moreover, as you Philippians know, in the early days of your acquaintance with the gospel, when I set out from Macedonia, not one church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving, except you only; ¹⁶for even when I was in Thessalonica, you sent me aid again and again when I was in need. ¹⁷Not that I am looking for a gift, but I am looking for what may be credited to your account. ¹⁸I have received full payment and even more; I am amply supplied, now that I have received from Epaphroditus the gifts you sent. They are a fragrant offering, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God. ¹⁹And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.

²⁰To our God and Father be glory for ever and ever. Amen.
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4:18 – What made the gifts of the Philippians pleasing to God?

What kind of giving is not pleasing to God?

Why are gifts that please God described as being a fragrant offering?

How are gifts that please God an acceptable sacrifice?

4:14 – How did the Philippians share in Paul’s troubles?

4:19 – Is it proper to give so that God would meet our needs? Why or why not?

How may we share in the troubles of our co-workers?

What should be the proper motive in our giving?

4:15-16 – Why did Paul commend the Philippians?

How will God meet our needs?

How did the Philippians share with Paul in the matter of both giving and receiving?

If God owns it all, why do we need to give to His work?

How may we know when we should give to our co-workers?

4:20 – What did Paul tell us about God in this verse?

4:17 – What is the account that Paul is making reference to here?

How does knowing the eternal nature of God help us at work?

What can we do to get credit to our account at work?