

Principles of Increase

Luke 6:38

Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you

Philippians 4:10-20

Philippians 4:11-13

Not that I speak in regard to need, for **I have learned in whatever state I am, to be content:** 12 I know how to **be abased**, and I know **how to abound**. Everywhere and in all things **I have learned** both to be **full** and to be **hungry**, both to **abound** and to **suffer need**. 13 I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me

Philippians 4:11 (NIV)

I am not saying this because I am in need, for I have learned to be content whatever the circumstances

1 Chronicles 29:14

But who am I, and who are my people, that we could give anything to you? Everything we have has come from you, and we give you only what you first gave us!

**“God’s economy” is based on
receiving, giving, and receiving.**

1. **WE RECEIVE** everything from God, including seed to sow

2. **WE GIVE** ourselves to God's purposes, including the seed designed for sowing.

3. **WE RECEIVE** increase for God's kingdom purposes and we also increase

Resource: A **supply** of money, materials, staff, and other assets that can be drawn on by a person or organization in order to function effectively.

Source: A point of **origin** or procurement; any thing or place from which something comes, arises, or is obtained

Luke 12:15, And He said to them, "Take heed and beware of covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of the things he possesses."

Psalm 33:16,

No king is saved by the multitude of an army; A mighty man is not delivered by great strength...18 Behold, the eye of the Lord is on those who fear Him, On those who hope in His mercy,

There's no virtue in being poor or not having things.

Poverty and lack can be major distractions to living according to your purpose

How we do balance our real need for resources without gaining a consumption mentality?

We do it, not by focusing on resources, but on sources, and THE SOURCE in particular.

What do we know about God as our Source?

- 1. He is motivated by fatherly love**
- 2. He is the possessor of heaven and earth and has access to everything we need**
- 3. He requires that we worship Him, not the things or the people in our lives.**
- 4. He blesses those who humble themselves and give to Him**

**We can learn much from David's example
when preparing to build the tabernacle.**

1 Chronicles 29:1

Furthermore King David said to all the assembly: "My son Solomon, whom alone God has chosen, is young and inexperienced; and the work is great, because the **temple is not for man but for the Lord God**

1 Chronicles 29:3-9

David's Thanksgiving to God as SOURCE

1 Chronicles 29:12

Both **riches and honor** come from You, And **You reign** over all. **In Your hand** is power and might; In Your hand it is to make great And to give strength to all. 13 Now therefore, our God, **We thank You And praise Your glorious name.** 14 But who am I, and who are my people, That we **should be able** to offer so willingly as this? For all things come from You, And of Your own we have given You.

Recognizing your Source puts you in position to receive from Your Source.

Riches (resources) and honor (recognition) from from God.

God as Source reigns over all and has a
endless supply.

God won't reign in your life if you don't recognize
him properly. This is a **volunteer** system. This is
not **slavery**.

Recognizing the God is our Source, is **essential** to a life of purpose and living a life that makes sense.

When we get the **Source** correct,
blessing and **favor** follow.

This is a major key to **Increase**