

# 28 Years of Firstfruits

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Philippians 4:10-18, Psalm 30:5,  
Proverbs 3:4-10, Deuteronomy 8:18,  
2 Corinthians 9:10-11,

# Philippians 4:10

But I rejoiced in the Lord greatly, that now at the last your care of me hath flourished again; wherein ye were also careful, but ye lacked opportunity.

# Philippians 4:11

Not that I speak in respect  
of want: for I have learned,  
in whatsoever state I am,  
therewith to be content.

# Philippians 4:12

I know both how to be abased,  
and I know how to abound:  
every where and in all things I  
am instructed both to be full  
and to be hungry, both to  
abound and to suffer need.

# Philippians 4:13

I can do all things through  
Christ which strengtheneth  
me.

# Philippians 4:14

Notwithstanding ye have  
well done, that ye did  
communicate with my  
affliction.

# Philippians 4:15

Now ye Philippians know also, that in the beginning of the gospel, when I departed from Macedonia, no church communicated with me as concerning giving and receiving, but ye only.

# Philippians 4:16

For even in Thessalonica ye  
sent once and again unto  
my necessity.



# Philippians 4:17

Not because I desire a gift:  
but I desire fruit that may  
abound to your account.

# Philippians 4:17 NIV

Not that I am looking for a gift, but I am looking for what may be credited to your account.

# Philippians 4:17 MSG

Not that I'm looking for handouts, but I do want you to experience the blessing that issues from generosity.

# Philippians 4:18

But I have all, and abound: I am full, having received of Epaphroditus the things which were sent from you, an odour of a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, wellpleasing to God.

# Psalms 30:5

For his anger endureth but a moment; in his favour is life: weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning.

# Proverbs 3:4

So shalt thou find favour and  
good understanding in the  
sight of God and man.

# Proverbs 3:9

Honour the LORD with thy  
substance, and with the  
firstfruits of all thine  
increase:

# Proverbs 3:10

So shall thy barns be filled  
with plenty, and thy  
presses shall burst out with  
new wine.



God wants us  
to take the  
first step

The fruit of your  
generosity brings  
you an abundant  
reward

# Benefits of Firstfruits:

- Favor
- High esteem
- Increase
- Plenty
- Overflow

God's desire:

That

you

increase

Firstfruits is:

An act of  
Thanksgiving

# Firstfruits Provides:

Blessing and  
healing

# Deuteronomy 8:18

But thou shalt remember the LORD thy God: for it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he sware unto thy fathers, as it is this day.

As you measure  
out blessings it  
is measured  
out to you.



Firstfruits is:

Holy to God

# Firstfruits:

Launches into a  
land of overflow

We not only  
give God our  
first but our  
best

# Matthew 19:16

And, behold, one came and  
said unto him, Good  
Master, what good thing  
shall I do, that I may have  
eternal life?

# 2 Corinthians 9:10

Being enriched in every thing to  
all bountifulness, which  
causeth through us  
thanksgiving to God.

# 2 Corinthians 9:11

Now he that ministereth seed  
to the sower both minister  
bread for your food, and  
multiply your seed sown, and  
increase the fruits of your  
righteousness;)

He multiplies  
your seed so  
your harvest of  
generosity will  
grow.

God wants to  
meet your  
need, He wants  
you to grow



We need to hear  
from God and  
believe for a  
full harvest

Increase  
will bring  
growth

God wants us to  
have a meaningful  
life and leave a  
legacy for  
generations to  
come