



GOD PROVIDES

3. With Joy & thanksgiving

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Excel in the grace of giving

1. It's a matter of the heart

2 Corinthians 8:7

But since you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in the love we have kindled in you—see that you also excel in this grace of giving.



Excel in the grace of giving

1. It's a matter of the heart

2 Corinthians 9:7

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.



Excel in the grace of giving

2. It's a matter of perspective

2 Corinthians 8:9

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you through his poverty might become rich.



Excel in the grace of giving

3. It's a matter of what you know

2 Corinthians 8:9

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Do you know ...

The Grace?



Do you know ...

1. That he was rich (& still is)?

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Do you know ...

1. That he was rich (& still is)?

Psalm 23:1

**The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it,
the world, and all who live in it;**



Do you know ...

1. That he was rich (& still is)?

Philippians 4:19

And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.



Do you know ...

1. That he was rich (& still is)?

Psalm 50:9-11

**I have no need of a bull from your stall
or of goats from your pens, for every animal of
the forest is mine, and the cattle on a thousand
hills. I know every bird in the mountains, and
the insects in the fields are mine.**



Do you know ...

2. How poor he became?

Philippians 2:6-7

**Who, being in very nature God,
.. he made himself nothing
by taking the very nature of a servant,**



Do you know ...

2. How poor he became?

Philippians 2:8

**And being found in appearance as a man,
he humbled himself
by becoming obedient to death –
even death on a cross!**



Do you know ...

2. How poor he became?

Isaiah 52:14

Just as there were many who were appalled at him — his appearance was so disfigured beyond that of any man and his form marred beyond human likeness—



Do you know ...

2. How poor he became?

2 Corinthians 5:21

God made him who had no sin to be sin for us



Do you know ...

2. How poor he became?

Matthew 27:46

About three in the afternoon Jesus cried out in a loud voice, 'Eli, Eli,[a] lema sabachthani?' (which means 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?')



Do you know ...

3. How rich you are?

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Matthew 13:34

The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field.



Test God in this !

Dare we?

Malachi 3:10

Bring the whole tithe.. Test me in this,' .. 'and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.



