

# Spiritual Foundation

As a support raising coach, I've discovered there are two significant foundations that can help a missionary succeed. Today let's consider a support raising Spiritual Foundation.

Each of us have an understanding of finance that comes from your family and culture. And although we learn scriptures about finance, often the scriptures do not replace the financial perspective "ingrained" into our lives. If you struggle with hurt, fear and discouragement regarding support raising, God has GOOD NEWS for you! Incorporating his promises builds a strong foundation for support raising success. Renewing your mind in his promises is the key to overcoming each day.

How can we build a support raising Spiritual Foundation? I'm glad you asked! Read scriptures that deal with God, finances and his care for you as his child. Find 2-3 scriptures that speak to you about God's promises for provision regarding your call and missions ministry. Memorize those scriptures and write a 1-2 page conviction paper. Ask God for his "Rhema" word for you...it'll be life changing. Second, prayerfully consider your spiritual disciplines (QT, fasting, sabbath, solitude etc.). Make new goals for each of them from the Holy Spirit. Not as duty, but as life giving...connecting in new/or renewed ways to the Father. Third, here is a small study you can pray through and ask God to give you fresh personal insights. Take the time to allow the Holy Spirit to "birth" God's perspective of finance in your heart.

Who Receives What? 2 Corinthians 9:5-15 *(Note: the greatest benefit goes to the Giver)*

## God

9:11-12 Thanksgiving, 9:13 Praise

## The Receiver

9:12 Need met

## The Giver

9:8 All grace in all things abound, 9:10a Increase in seed, 9:10b Increase in harvest

9:11 made rich in every way, 9:14 their hearts will go out to you (prayers will be enriched)

Other Scriptures:

## My Prayer *(Initiates the process)*

Neh. 2:4 So I prayed to the God of heaven, Matt 6:11 Give us this day our daily bread

## My Place *(God's design for those he's called to the mission field or field of ministry)*

Mt 10:9,10 Worker is worthy, Deut 25:4 Not muzzle the Ox

1 Cor 9:14 (1-18) Those who proclaim the gospel to get their living from the gospel.

Lk 8:2,3 Many contributed to the support of Jesus (example)

II Tim 1:7 Fear is overcome by his Spirit and provision

**Contributor's Provision** *(God rewards givers according to their heart and degree of sacrifice. God has designed giving as a major avenue of our relationship to HIM because we freely and joyfully give. And God designed giving as a major avenue for HIS blessing and provision for us, both on this earth and as our eternal reward.)*

Phil 4:17 I (Paul) seek for the profit (blessing from God) which increases to your account (earthly and heavenly reward, because of their contribution given to Paul.)

Luke 6:38 Give and it will be given to you pressed down, shaken together and running over.

Luke 21:1-4 Jesus commends the widow for giving sacrificially *(proportion of sacrifice was more significant to Jesus, than the amount given.)*

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