

## Straight Talk on Financial Stewardship – Philippians 4:14-19

- I. The Philippian Church modeled 3 traits of godly \_\_\_\_\_: (4:14-18)
  1. They gave \_\_\_\_\_ (4:15)  
They started right away (“at the first preaching”)  
They shared with Paul (4:14)
  2. They gave \_\_\_\_\_ (4:16)  
“More than once” = “time and time again”
  3. They gave \_\_\_\_\_ (4:18)  
Paul was “abundantly/amply” supplied  
They were poor, too (4:10 – “lacked opportunity”)  
Their gifts were a “sacrifice” (4:18)
  
- II. God is fully aware of our \_\_\_\_\_ (4:17-19)
  1. God keeps an account of our \_\_\_\_\_ (4:17)  
(Q: Are you more concerned with what men think about your giving?)
  2. God is pleased by our generous \_\_\_\_\_ (4:18)
  3. PROMISE: God will amply supply all the needs of the faithful church that financially supports the advancement of the Gospel (4:19)
  
- This passage is about corporate finances: not volunteering time, prayer, or spiritual ministry.
- Summary: WE cannot out-give God!

### **Application: A short pop quiz (Circle One answer for each)**

God is more / less deliberate than I am.  
God is more / less dependable than I am.  
God is more / less decent than I am.  
True / False I can trust God’s Word to be true.