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The Unlimited Provider

Appeal: Philippians 4:19

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

We worship God because He is the limitless Provider. One day Abraham had a conversation with God during which God informed him about the son that he would soon have through Sarah and the blessing that would rest upon this second son. Perplexed, Abraham pleaded with God, Genesis 17:18, “If only Ishmael might live under your blessing!” This conversation between God and Abraham teaches the important truth about divine abundance. Abraham was troubled that if the blessing would go to his second son, Isaac, there won’t be any blessings left for Ishmael. God reassured Abraham that He has enough blessings for both and everyone. He is the unlimited Provider.

The belief in the scarcity of God’s blessings has led some to function in strange ways. Here are some common scenarios of this mindset: “If someone else receives, I cannot receive, or I may receive less.” This conviction creates a spirit of jealousy, brutal competition, and animosity. Another scenario: “If I give or share, less will be left or available for me. I’m losing what I have.” This curtails generosity and fosters selfishness. However, these are false assumptions that ignore the reality of divine abundance. It is unhealthy to reason from the perspective of finite human beings and forget the Provider who is an infinite God. In Him we are not empty, even if we happen to give away everything.

Do you know that God has a full reserve of untapped blessings for each of us? This week, let us show through our tithe and regular offerings that we believe in divine abundance!

Prayer: Lord, we praise You for being an unlimited God who provides for us according to Your great riches. Increase our faith and help us to have a clearer picture of who You are.