November 24, 2019 SERMON NOTES Generosity in Poverty *Philippians 4: 15-19*

I. God's promise is based on the premise of giving.

Philippians 4: ¹⁵ You yourselves also know, Philippians, that at the [a]first preaching of the gospel, after I left Macedonia, no church shared with me in the matter of giving and receiving but you alone; ¹⁶ for even in Thessalonica you sent a gift more than once for my needs. ¹⁷ Not that I seek the gift itself, but I seek for the profit which increases to your account. ¹⁸ But I have received everything in full and have an abundance; I am amply supplied, having received from Epaphroditus what you have sent, a fragrant aroma, an acceptable sacrifice, well-pleasing to God. ¹⁹ And my God will supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

A. The premise: "If you do this, then I will _____."

B. Three reasons to be generous.

- 1.Giving _____ others.
- 2. Giving is an *investment* in the future
- 3. Giving is a ______.

II. God, then promises to meet all our needs.

A. God is the _____ of the promised.

B. The scope of the promise is _____!

- C. How can we learn to give?
 - 1. Make paying God first a _____.
 - 2. Be a _____.
 - 3. Let this become a ______ towards tithing.