

GRACE GIVING

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Praise the Lord for His continued blessings through the faithful giving of God's people to God's mission! To God be the glory!

Pastor and author Paul Tripp was asked, "Knowing money is arguably the leading cause of stress and anxiety in the United States, how does knowing we are a child of God through faith in Christ address our financial anxieties?"

Tripp answered, "In Matthew 6:31–32 Jesus argues that because we are now the children of God, we don't have to give way to the normal anxiety that most people feel over the question of whether their needs will be met. Because we now have a wise and loving heavenly Father, who owns everything and is in control of everything, we can rest assured that all of our needs will be met. This means we have been freed from the fear of want that causes us to focus all of our time, energy, and money on making sure all our needs are met."

What a freedom we find in knowing who we are in Christ! As 2 Corinthians 8:9 reminds us, Jesus became poor, so through His poverty, we could become rich in Him! As Ephesians 1:3 reminds us, we have already received every spiritual blessing in Christ! When I remember who I am in Christ, I am also reminded of who my Father and Provider is. And as Romans 8:32 reminds us, if God would be willing to give us His perfect Son—the greatest treasure in the world—what good thing are we concerned would He keep from us?

	Grace Giving	Budget
October 4	\$ 11,655.00	\$ 9,340.00
October 11	\$ 19,111.90	\$ 9,340.00
October 18	\$ 33,956.40	\$ 9,340.00
October 25	\$ 6,122.50	\$ 9,340.00
TOTAL	\$ 70,845.80	\$ 37,360.00