

“light afflictions?” He was referring to beatings, stoning, shipwrecks, imprisonment, hunger, and all sorts of dangers (2 Cor 11:23-33). Wow! What a mindset Paul had! Yes, dear friend, if you want to tap into God’s rich supply, then ask God to help you have a “can do” attitude. Start focusing on His ability and get on the positive side of life.

### **KEY #4: I will get in position for miracles!**

The forth key for tapping into God’s unlimited supply is learning how to get in position for miracles. This may be a new concept for you, but consider this illustration. Have you ever watched a child learn to “catch” a ball? At first, they just stand there hoping the ball will magically fall in their hands. **They have to learn how to get in position, reach out, and “catch” the ball. The truth is, miracles are a lot like that.** The woman with the issue of blood had to press through the crowds to get to Jesus (Mk 5:27). Peter had to cast his nets where Jesus told him to (Lk 5:4-7). As you grow in your ability to follow God’s guidance, you need to learn how to cooperate with miracles and “catch” them.



**When you see circumstances lining up, then have enough sense to cooperate and get the fish in the boat!** Don’t be like the man who stood on his rooftop, asking God to deliver him from the rising flood waters. When a rescue boat arrived, the foolish man said, “*Oh no, I’m trusting God!*” Folks, God will send His answers to you through people (Lk 6:38). Opportunities lost are miracles lost. Once you determine a miracle is at hand, do what’s necessary to see it through to success. Fill out the papers, make the call, be on time to the appointment, or whatever the case may be. Getting in position will help you tap into God’s unlimited supply.

### **KEY #5: I will be a blessing to others!**

The fifth key for tapping into God’s unlimited supply is to bless others with the love and kindness of God. God first gave this principle to Abraham when he said, “*And I will bless you – and you shall be a blessing*” (Gen 12:2). In other words, God lets us know that the blessings He sends our way are not just for ourselves. **We all need what I call a “river mentality” – that is, our lives should be like a river that flows out to others, not like a dam that holds the water back.** Why? Well, for starters, you want to be like God who blesses others (Jn 3:16). Additionally, the seeds you plant (how you treat others) will produce a future crop for your own life. Galatians 6:7 says, “*For whatsoever a man sows that (the same) shall he also receive.*” The world puts it this way – “*what goes around comes around.*”



**There seems to be an immutable law in life that says how we treat others will eventually be visited back on ourselves.** It may not happen tomorrow, or next year – but it’s coming. God wants you to produce good works (Col 1:10). It may be a kind word, financial assistance, or help in time of need. If you want to tap into God’s abundant supply, then make it a point each day to be a blessing to others.



Dear friend, my prayer is that you will know the joy of making Jesus Christ your Source of supply.

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### **Key Memory Verse:**

*“But my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.”  
Philippians 4:13*

### **Prayer Making God Your Source of Supply**

*“Father, thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, to die on the cross for my sins. I accept His sacrifice and commit my life to Him. I also make a solemn decision today that Jesus Christ will be my Source of supply from this day forward. I will look to Him for all my needs. Thank you for your great love. In Jesus Name – Amen.”*

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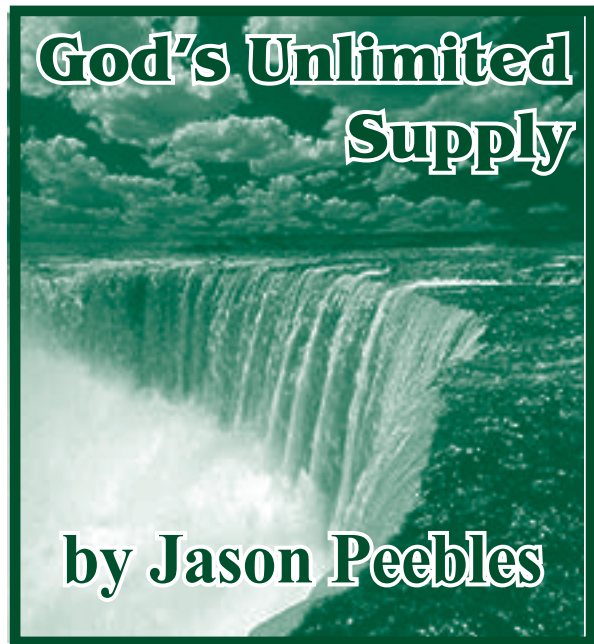
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One of the greatest keys for your success is an understanding that God wants to be your Source of supply. **Philippians 4:19** says, “*But my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.*” What an awesome thought! When you study this verse, it’s obvious that the apostle Paul viewed God as his source of supply, for he said – “*My God shall supply.*” Paul also lets us know that God’s supply is rich and abundant. He said, “*But my God shall supply ALL your need according to HIS RICHES in glory, by Christ Jesus.*” Dear friend, God has a rich storehouse of provision to meet your every need – spiritually, emotionally, and financially. **This Study Guide will give you five powerful keys that will help you tap into God’s unlimited supply.**

### **KEY #1: Jesus Christ is my Source of supply!**

The first key for tapping into God’s unlimited supply is to look to Jesus Christ as your Source of supply. I want to spend a bit more time on this first key because it truly is the foundation. We all like it when something good happens unexpectedly. It’s like Christmas and it brightens up your day! Yet, there’s a better way than just hoping for “occasional” blessings. **God wants you to WALK in His blessings each and every day. Not occasionally or by accident, mind you, but willfully and deliberately.** You might ask,

*“Is that even possible?”* Absolutely! The way to get started in this type of lifestyle is to grasp the truth that Jesus Christ is your Source. You must have faith that Philippians 4:19 is true (quoted above). Keep in mind that this verse is in your Bible too -- regardless of what type of church background you may have. **The idea of looking to Jesus Christ as your Source may sound simple enough in theory, but I can tell you that it will take some time to renew your mind to it.** For example, if you're in BUSINESS, then you need to see Jesus Christ as your No.1 business partner. Once you do, then you need to consult Him about your decisions and let Him show you where to “cast your business nets” (Jn 21:6). He knows where the fish are! Perhaps you've never thought that God wants you to succeed, but I can assure you that He does. Just read Psalm 1 and Psalm 112. God says that He can make you fruitful and prosperous. Ask for His guidance. Ask Him to open doors and bless your efforts. Start committing your decisions to Him each day (Prov 3:5,6).

Additionally, if Jesus Christ is going to be your Source, then it also applies to relationships and MARRIAGE. Paul said, *“But my God shall supply ALL your needs.”* ALL your needs means ALL your needs -- financial, emotional, relationships, and in every area. The problem is that we sometimes get our eyes off our Source. We tend to look at people as our source. **For example, if your spouse is not treating you right, then instead of growing bitter or seeking solace elsewhere, start looking to God to meet your emotional needs.** If you see your spouse as your “source” -- to make you happy and meet all your needs -- then you're headed for trouble. No person in the world will be able to meet all your needs, no matter how hard they try or how often you remind them. You need to look to God to bring about any changes that may be needed in both you and your spouse. Yes, you can talk to your spouse when the time is right -- but only after you've spent time praying about it and getting your own heart right. I wonder how many divorces have occurred just because someone did not understand this basic principle. So often we tend to look to another person to provide what God alone can provide. We put pressure on others to “perform” the way that we think they should. **If your spouse disappoints you in some way (as happens even in good marriages) -- then get in the habit of whispering prayers like this:** *“Lord, I'm disappointed, but you are my Source. Strengthen me by your Holy Spirit. I choose to forgive and release them and I look to you to meet my emotional needs. Lord, teach both of us to live in harmony together.”* Wow! A

prayer like that takes faith! Changing your mindset will be a challenge at first, but God will help you do it. Philippians 2:13 says, *“For it is God who works in you both to will and do of His good pleasure.”*

**Years ago, it was important for me to make a conscious and deliberate decision that I would start looking to Jesus Christ as my Source. Have you ever done that?** I don't think this key is something that you just stumble into by accident. You have to realize that the same Lord who turned water into wine, healed the sick, and rose from the dead actually lives IN YOU by the Holy Spirit. Colossians 1:27 says, *“Christ IN YOU, the hope of glory.”* Once you have a revelation that Jesus Christ is your Source, then you will WANT to look to him for all your needs -- your financial needs, marriage needs, health needs, child-raising needs, business needs, ministry needs, and on and on. This does not mean that God cannot use natural things. In fact, God will use every means possible -- friends, circumstances, banks, medicine, and every other avenue. But here's the point of the matter. When you start living this way, God becomes your only true SOURCE. Everything else is only a “channel” through which God can flow. **Thus, you must make a distinction in your mind between who your SOURCE is and the “channels” that God may use.** If one door closes then you don't lose heart. Why? Because God is your Source and you are trusting Him to bring your answer from another direction. Dear friend, what a liberating view this is! What freedom and power God has given us in that He wants to partner with us in life and become our unlimited Source.

It may help if you to have a mental picture of this key. For a moment, imagine God's supply as a **HUGE LAKE**. Imagine that this lake is fed by an eternal spring that never runs dry. Now, go one step further and imagine small rivers and creeks flowing out from this reservoir in every direction, carrying water to the surrounding countryside. The rivers and creeks are the “channels” through which the water flows, but they are not the SOURCE. Do you see the point? **Much like this illustration, God's supply is endless and always available. He alone is your SOURCE -- yet His provision can flow to you from many different directions.** If one financial door doesn't work out, then don't give up. You can pray like this: *“Lord, you are my Source and I thank you that your favor and provision are coming to me from another direction.”* I can't tell you how many times this truth has strengthened me. I would have given up a long time ago if I had not been grounded in the truth that Jesus

Christ is my Source. Dear friend, if you want to tap into God's rich supply, then you must start looking to Jesus Christ as your Source.

## **KEY #2: I will release my faith!**

The second key for tapping into God's unlimited supply is learning to release your faith. James 2:7 says, *“Faith without works is dead.”* **All through the Bible, men and women of God had to “do something” to release their faith. It's not just enough to believe it in your heart.** True faith will always lead to some kind of “action.” Call it works, action, faith-steps, or whatever -- **the point is you must release your faith outwardly.** Moses had to lift up his rod for miracles (Ex 14:16); Joshua had to march around the city of Jericho seven times (Josh 6:1-5); David had to face Goliath and use a sling shot (1 Sam 17:48-51); Jesus put mud on a man's eyes (Jn 9:6); Paul and Silas lifted their voices in praise while in prison (Acts 16:25, 26); and on and on and on. One of the greatest keys that I've ever learned for success is that there comes a time to “do something” to release my faith.



I remember, many years ago, God stirred my heart to trust Him for a ministry airplane. I had no money at the time and I couldn't see how it would ever happen. But, as I prayed about it, I discovered that there were many things that I could do to release my faith. For example, I put photos in my office of the type airplanes that would do the job. I visited a local airport many afternoons to watch airplanes and talk to pilots. I began telling people about my dream and I started taking lessons. Dear friend, I hope that you will really grasp this simple key -- that there's ALWAYS something that you can “outwardly do” to release your

faith. If God has stirred your heart about something, then get started! **Find a way to release your faith.** Talk to people who have done what you are dreaming about doing. Offer to volunteer for an afternoon to help others. **Zechariah 4:10 says, “Do not despise the day of small things.”** **It may seem insignificant compared to what you need, but “do something” to release your faith!** When I offered to wash another man's airplane, it seemed insignificant compared to what I needed. Yet, I learned to view my actions as little “faith-seeds” that God would honor. And, in time, He absolutely did. We owned several planes through the years and I crisscrossed the country for seminars. If you want to tap into God's supply, then learn to release your faith by taking action.

## **KEY #3: I will expect miracles!**

The third key for tapping into God's unlimited supply is to develop a mindset of expecting miracles. Paul said, *“For I know that this shall turn to my deliverance through your prayer, and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, according to my earnest expectation and hope (Phil 1:19, 20).* There are several keys in these verses. Notice that Paul, again, refers to the *“supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ.”* That's what this entire Study Guide is about. He also says that his deliverance from his problem depended on prayer and his own EXPECTATION AND HOPE. There's a definite connection between your faith and your state of mind. No, it's not “mind over matter” or a self-help program. But the Bible is clear that we are called to be positive people who trust in His Word (Joshua 1:6-9). We are called to have the same attitude that Joshua and Caleb had when they spied out the land. Numbers 13:30 tells us that when Joshua and Caleb returned, their attitude was: *“We are able to overcome them!”* On the other hand, the ten spies that went with them had a faithless mindset. They said, *“We are not able to overcome them” (vs. 31).* Actually, both were correct. If you don't think that you can win, then you are defeated before you even get started. **God wants us to be like Joshua and Caleb who measured their ability with the “God factor” calculated in.** Obviously, in their own power they could not defeat the enemy. But with God's help and His ability, they knew that they could! Look at Paul's attitude in what he called “light afflictions” -- *“For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, works for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory, while we look not at things which are seen, but at things which are not seen” (2 Cor 4:17,18).* And what were Paul's