SUFFICIENCY IN CHRIST EXODUS SERIES PART 23

1. GOD PROVIDES EXACTLY WHAT WE NEED WHEN WE NEED IT

Then the Lord said to Moses, "I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and **gather enough for that day**." **Exodus 16:4a (NIV)**

ORDINARY PROVISION LOOKS LIKE...

• ORDINARY PROVISION IN CREATION

Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life? **Matthew 6:26-27 (NIV)**

- ORDINARY PROVISION THROUGH HUMAN WORK AND EFFORT
- ORDINARY PROVISION THROUGH THE COMMUNITY AND GENEROSITY OF OTHERS

There were no needy people among them. For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need. Acts 4:34-35 (NIV)

ORDINARY PROVISION THROUGH CIRCUMSTANCES AND TIMING

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. **Romans 8:28 (NIV)**

EXTRAORDINARY PROVISION LOOKS LIKE...

- EXTRAORDINARY PROVISION OFTEN COMES IN RESPONSE TO EXTREME NEED
- EXTRAORDINARY PROVISION IS OFTEN VERY PERSONAL
- EXTRAORDINARY PROVISION OFTEN COMES THROUGH UNCONVENTIONAL MEANS

With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible. Matthew 19:26 (NIV)

• EXTRAORDINARY PROVISION IS OFTEN A SIGN OF GOD'S PRESENCE AND POWER

• Extraordinary provision strengthens our faith

And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus. **Philippians 4:19 (NIV)**

- 2. TODAY JESUS IS OUR DAILY BREAD
- 3. WE HAVE TO GATHER OUR OWN MANNA