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Father's generosity

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"With all this going for us, my dear, dear friends, *stand your ground. And don't hold back. Throw yourselves into the work of the Master*, confident that nothing you do for him is a waste of time or effort"

1 Corinthians 15:58 – The Message

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1) On hearing that a man, whom *he had previously dismissed and who had subsequently attempted to ruin his substantial business*, had returned with his family to the area and was in great destitution, Mr. Samuel Budgett, "The Successful Merchant" who lived in Kingswood, Bristol, nearly 200 years ago, went with a friend to visit his home.

"*The house was in a miserable state, the garden was desolate, neither meat nor bread within the door, and two fine boys were lying in bed because they had no clothes*". Mr Budgett immediately ordered meat from the butcher, bread from the baker, sent groceries, sent a tailor to clothe the children, hired a man to till the garden, and gave the family an allowance of 12 shillings a week for a very lengthened period, until this man, who lacked get-up-and-go, found work

(From "The Successful Merchant - Sketches of the life of Mr Samuel Budgett", which biography went to 40 editions and is still available)

2) A few years ago, the employee colleague of David, a friend of mine in London with a successful small business, left and set up in direct competition. After a while this new business failed, and David took him back. In due course, the Lord said clearly to David, "Give him the business"... so he did, and walked into even greater dependence on God for his own and his family's provision

We are the children of *an enormously extravagant God*, and sometimes we have the privilege of living that way



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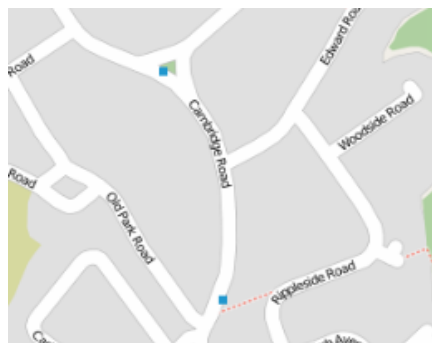
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"Quote"

"Charming and self-effacing, Major-General Dare (his real name) Wilson never lost his appetite for adventure. In his autobiography, he wrote, "*It was a great experience at the age of 80 going down the Cresta Run, lying on my stomach doing 90 mile an hour with my chin 4 inches from the ice*"

(From his obituary in the Daily Telegraph. 3rd Sept 2014)



OpenStreetMap

is a free-to-use world map that is updated by its users, a bit like a Wikipedia of maps. Unlike some systems, you can download the relevant area to your phone, although I gather you can also choose to purchase an update App. Find out more [HERE](#)



Dates for your diary

9th/10th Sept



BRINGING YOUR VISION TO LIFE

A joint conference from CRE and Christian Resources Together - [HERE](#)

26th - 28th Sept



TWL (Transformed Working Life) seminar – Swansea – [HERE](#)

30th Oct - 2nd Nov



ICCC International gathering in Greece. Details [HERE](#)



31st Oct - 2nd Nov



"A Call to Business" conference - 4th in the series. Details [HERE](#)

15th Nov



ICCC day @ LICC, de Vere St, London – Details [HERE](#)

The lighter side...

"Have you heard about the evil group of men who control all the world's cheese?"

The hallouminati."

(Nick Helm @ Edinburgh Fringe)