

## April Showers

**You know the old saying, “April showers will bring May flowers.”** Spring rains are essential not simply for the growth of flowers but for all agriculture. Spring rains help tomato plants grow producing big ripe tomatoes for my favorite sandwich the BLT! Can I get an Amen?

There is something refreshing about a spring shower! It clears the air and brings life.

As I thought about that popular phrase it reminded me of the old hymn entitled, **“There Shall Be Showers of Blessing.”** The words to the hymn were...

There shall be showers of blessing;  
This is the promise of love;  
There shall be seasons refreshing,  
Sent from the Savior above.

*Refrain:*  
Showers of blessing,  
Showers of blessing we need:  
Mercy-drops round us are falling,  
But for the showers we plead.

Did you know that God has promised us showers of blessing? In Ezekiel 34: 26 He promises Israel that if they are obedient to Him that, “there will be showers of blessing.” I don’t know about you but I could use some showers of blessing!

Do you know that one way to assure a shower of blessing from God is go give? The Scripture teaches us that when we tithe/give, God will, “throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have enough for it.” Now that is a shower of blessing!

When you give here you are not just sowing seeds of blessing for your own life but also ensuring that we with all we do can bless others. So, let's shower the offering today in thanks for the showers of blessings God gives us!