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Well-being. Success. Abundance. Overflow. These are all definitions of the good life—of prosperity. And despite religious tradition claiming that it is ungodly or selfish, prosperity is God's will for you.

Have you ever noticed that the Scriptures don't say God will give you just enough to get by? Instead, the Bible uses words like overflow, plentiful and abundance. God wants to do exceedingly, abundantly above all we can even ask or think (Ephesians 3:19-21), and He tells us that His only plans for us are success (Jeremiah 29:11). That's a prosperous life!

God wants to bless us with whole-life prosperity to establish His covenant with us, give us life more abundantly, and empower us to bless others and further the gospel of Jesus Christ. The idea that God wants His people sick, sad or living in poverty is completely against His Word and His very nature.

Find 60 Scriptures About Prosperity and Success.

God isn't opposed to our being rich. That doesn't upset Him even a little. In fact, He delights in our prosperity (Psalm 35:27). He's just opposed to our becoming covetous and greedy. God has a full supply, lacking nothing, and He wants us to be the same way.

If you're ready to live the life He desires you to have, it's important to first understand how to get there. Begin today with these 7 laws of prosperity.

"I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers." -3 John 1:2 (NKJV)

1. Prosperity Is More Than Finances

Whenever someone mentions "the prosperity gospel," especially in a negative sense, they are referring to money only. That's certainly part of living life more abundantly, but that isn't all Jesus had in mind. It would be easy to settle for spiritual prosperity, but that type of spiritual laziness does not bring glory to God and give full honor to what Jesus paid for us to enjoy here on earth. It is the will of God for us to be made whole—spirit, soul and body—and to be kept that way until the return of our Lord Jesus Christ (see 1 Thessalonians 5:23).

What is included in whole-life prosperity?

- 1. **Spiritual Prosperity.** To prosper spiritually, you must be born again. When you accept Jesus as your Savior and make Him the Lord of your life, your spirit is reborn and brought into fellowship with the Father, Almighty God.
- 2. Emotional Prosperity. True peace and joy cannot be found in this world without Christ. That's why we see people remarrying over and over, using antidepressants, contemplating suicide, tearing other people down, using drugs or even questioning their God-given gender. That is not the abundant life Jesus came to give us, and it is anything but prosperity. Jesus fills the voids: He brings answers where there were questions, confidence where there was insecurity, hope where there was once hopelessness.
- 3. **Mental Prosperity**. The world thinks of mental prosperity as simply "knowing it all," but God had something much better in mind. Mental prosperity includes revelation knowledge, mental abilities beyond our own, and a sharp mind until the day we go home to heaven. It means casting down imaginations and being in control of your own thoughts.
- 4. **Physical Prosperity**. The world's system of healing makes a god of the hospital and a god of medicine. Actually, for the most part, it leaves God out entirely, and without God, it will not work! God has a better way. He wants you to walk in supernatural and divine health all the days of your life.
- 5. **Relational Prosperity**. Only God can truly prosper you in the area of relationships. He is the giver of good and perfect gifts. He can bring reconciliation where the world would say all hope is lost, and He can grant you a strong and lasting marriage, and healthy family relationships and friendships. There is a special peace in relational prosperity. He wants you to have it.
- 6. **Accomplishment Prosperity**. In other words—favor. When you have favor, it opens doors for you and causes things to go your way—even when, in the natural, it may not seem possible. When you succeed at something, you prosper. God desires us to have success in life!
- 7. **Financial Prosperity**. If a man came to you needing clothes and you didn't have any clothes to give, both of you would be in trouble. We are to prosper so that we might provide abundantly for our own families, bless those around us, and fund the work of the kingdom of God here on earth.

This is the basic, fundamental truth that runs throughout the entire Bible. Every time there was a need, no matter what that need was, God had a man somewhere who had the resources—spiritually, mentally or financially—to meet that need.

2. Tithing Is Tied to Prosperity

"Bring all the tithes into the storehouse...and try Me now in this...if I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you such blessing that there will not be room enough to receive it." -Malachi 3:10 (NKJV)

Handling someone else's money is the testing ground—the qualifier—for Kingdom prosperity. This all begins with the proper handling of what belongs to God—the tithe. Tithing is the open door to THE BLESSING that God set forth to meet your needs, bless you, and keep you prosperous.

In Deuteronomy 28, God spoke to the Israelites about the curse and THE BLESSING. But just prior, in Deuteronomy 26, He talked to them about letting Him in on their finances—through the tithe. Why? Not because God needed the money, but because they needed help. They were going into the Promise Land where there were many challenges. So, He told them about tithing, the curse and THE BLESSING, in that order.

And you know, it's still the same today. If you've been thinking, *I believe in tithing, but I just can't afford it*, you're going backward. Because if you don't let THE BLESSING in, the curse comes in.

3. Debt Freedom Is Key to Prosperity

"The borrower is slave to the lender." -Proverbs 22:7 (NIV)

Owing another man is bondage—a chain that belongs on no child of God. To live fully in prosperity, debt freedom is key. The world has a system of finance that is complex and very poor in operation. It continually rocks back and forth between the two extremes of depression and inflation.

However, when you are functioning in God's system of finance, life can be very simple. Don't borrow from anyone—get it from God. The problem with borrowing is that it is controlled by the world's system. In order to borrow, you must subordinate yourself to another person. Instead, look to God, He will *give* to you, not loan to you!

When we first set out to obey God according to Romans 13:8, which says "owe no one anything" (NKJV), we had a long way to go! However, we were determined. We sat down and wrote out what it would take to operate our household abundantly. Then we prayed over it in the Name of Jesus. At that moment, we made up our minds to never borrow money again.

4. Pay Taxes Without Grumbling

"Pay your taxes and government fees to those who collect them, and give respect and honor to those who are in authority." -Romans 13:7

One of the major things that will foul up your life where prosperity is concerned is bad-mouthing the government and its leaders, particularly in the area of taxation. Most people are operating in strife where their taxes are concerned, and it has a direct relationship to the government that provides our financial system. One day the Lord told Brother Copeland, "Quit grumbling and complaining about your tax money. Pay it cheerfully the way you do your tithe, and I'll bless it." From then on, he and Gloria started praying over their tax money—just as they do their tithe—and they have never had a tax bill that they couldn't pay.

Get strife and hard feelings toward your government out of your heart! The Word says we are to pray and give thanks for our leaders, not bad-mouth them! When you begin to change your heart and come into obedience to God's Word in this area, it will open an area of prosperity you didn't even know existed, and you will live in an abundance of peace in your land.

5. You Must Know How to Give and Receive

"Give and it shall be given unto you." -Luke 6:38 (KJV)

The spiritual law of prosperity contains both giving and receiving. Jesus knew the spiritual law of giving, and He operated it proficiently. He gave to the poor at such an astonishing rate that when Judas left the room during the Last Supper, some people thought that he must be going to give to the poor.

Do you want a hundredfold return on your money—to live in financial prosperity? Give and let God multiply it back to you. No bank in the world offers this kind of return! Praise the Lord!

As believers, we need to exercise faith not only in seeking how much and where to sow, but also in receiving the harvest on the seeds we sow. Harvesting is vitally important because there are always more people that the Lord can empower us to bless when we are receiving the good things He has for us. Don't get stuck in false humility, refusing to receive what God desires to give you. Instead, become a good giver *and* a good receiver—it's spiritual law!

6. You Must Choose God's System

"Be not conformed to this world." -Romans 12:2 (KJV)

There are two choices before you—the world's system or God's system. This is true if you want to enjoy prosperity in your health, finances, mind, relationships, peace, joy or any other area of life. The world tells you to go deeper and deeper in debt, expect to get sick or diseased, get divorced if you don't like your spouse, and do whatever makes you feel good in the moment. But those aren't God's ways. The Bible says the things of God are foolishness to the world (1 Corinthians 2:14).

The world will always give you the option of choosing its system, but God's way is always the better way. When you come to a crossroad, you'll see the world calling you to believe in pharmaceuticals, information on the internet, or the latest research. "This is the answer!" they'll shout. Don't expect God's best to come from the world's system. He will work around and through it in order to reach you, but it is always far below His best.

Don't be conformed to this world. Choose God's way—it always leads to prosperity.

7. You Will Have What You Say

"He shall have whatsoever he saith." -Mark 11:23 (KJV)

In Mark 11:23, Jesus introduced a principle—a spiritual law—that works. It doesn't make sense to the natural mind that with faith you can have whatever you say even though it may be contrary to what you can see with your physical eyes. But Jesus said it, and by the eternal Almighty God, it is so! When you act on it, mix your faith with it, and don't doubt in your heart, this spiritual law will work for you!

God created all things by the power of His Word. Each time God spoke, He released His own faith—which was the very creative power that brought His words to pass. In doing so, He demonstrated how words are spiritual containers that carry the power to shape our destiny. Our words contain and release our faith. But what is most exciting is that when we speak God's words about our lives, we release the creative power of God's faith into our situations.

So, every time we confess the Word of God from a heart that's confident God will do in our lives what He said—according to Jesus in Mark 11:24—we shall have what we say.

These seven laws of prosperity work the same as the laws of salvation, healing and so forth. We are dealing with the same God, the same Word, the same Jesus, the same force of faith and the same thief. A farmer can intend to have a good crop, but if he never plants the seed, how can he possibly produce a harvest? If you want to reap a harvest—you have to obey the laws! The seven laws of prosperity will bring results!

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