

FINANCIAL PROSPERITY

Defining Prosperity

I. Revelation 3:17-They tried to define prosperity with money and their definition was not incorrect, it was incomplete

- A. They were **poor**-lacking something; They were poor people with goods
 - 1. This was a lukewarm, wretched, miserable, blind, people with stuff
 - 2. These are believers and I know they're not prospering in their soul because they're not prospering in life and therefore I know they're not spending much time with this Word
 - a. They're lukewarm that's no will power-Soul Poverty
 - b. They're wretched and miserable-Very miserable; deep affliction or distress-No Peace of mind
 - c. They're blind-Their deceived and can't see the truth: Soul poverty
 - d. They're naked-They're carnal-Unrenewed mind: Soul poverty
- B. The tried gold is the word (2 Samuel 22:31, Ps 18:30, Prov 30:5, 25:11)
 - 1. Come get the word so that you may be rich; Jesus wants them rich
 - 2. Rich-Every piece of the pie overflowing
 - 3. The word will prosper their spirit, soul, and life
- C. Prosperity encompasses:
 - 1. Prosperity of your spirit: Being born again and having a strong mature spirit
 - 2. Prosperity of your soul: The ability to control your mind and emotions/having your mind renewed to the Word
 - 3. Prosperity of your body: Healed body
 - 4. Prosperity in your relationships: Being able to walk in love and have peace
 - 5. Prosperity in your finances
- D. Mark 10:17-He was rich in finances, but something was missing

II. The prosperity pie

- A. Prosperity is like a pie made up of five pieces: Spirit, Soul, Body, Relationships, Finances
 - 1. **Spirit Prosperity:** Being born again and having a strong mature spirit
 - 2. **Soul Prosperity:** The ability to control your mind and emotions/having your mind renewed to the Word
 - 3. **Body Prosperity:** Healed, strong, youth renewed body
 - 4. **Relationship Prosperity:** Walking in love and peace with people
 - 5. **Financial Prosperity:** Having more than enough and being a blessing
 - 6. The Church has rejected the finances piece and something is missing
- B. Psalm 35:27-Prosperity-God takes pleasure in the "nothing-missing, nothing-broken" of his servants

1. Prosperity (Shalom) – Health/Safety (Body), peace in relationships (Social) peace with God (Spirit), Tranquility/quiet (Soul), Completeness, Soundness, Nothing-missing, Nothing broken (Financial)
 - a. Prosperity is each piece overflowing; money is a piece, but not the pie
2. He's the Prince of peace, the God of peace, we have a covenant of peace; Adam lost all the pieces, Jesus came and got them back
3. God takes pleasure in all the pieces being overflowing because you'll enjoy it and you're in a position for Him to work through you to bless people

III. True prosperity is the ability to use God's ability and power to meet any need in any realm of existence (spirit, soul, body, finance, and social).

- A. Poverty is not knowing how to use the ability of God to meet every need