

## PRINCIPLES OF FINANCIAL PROSPERITY

### The Word: The Highway To The World Of Wealth (PART 2)

- I. **The only way you change what you believe, root out that image, and prosper your soul is through the Word therefore the Word of God is the highway to the world of wealth**
  - A. The Word of God is the key to unlocking your financial prosperity because it's going to prosper your soul (Isaiah 55:1-3)
    1. The Word of God will prosper your soul, change your image/belief, to where think, feel, and decide like God and you'll see yourself the way God sees you
      - a. Hearken-Hear, Give your attention to, Obey---Diligently-Steady in application, constant in effort, not idle or negligent
      - b. Eat-Jeremiah 15:16-Your words were found and I did eat them: and your words was unto me joy and rejoicing of mine heart---Job 34:3-For the ear tries words, like the mouth tastes meat---Milk 1 Peter 2:2-As newborn babes desire the sincere milk of the word, that they may grow thereby--Water Ephesians 5:26-That he might sanctify and cleanse it by the washing of water by the Word
      - c. That which is good-The gospel is the good news
      - d. Fatness-Prosperity, abundance
      - e. Let your soul-Permit your soul to prosper by feeding it the Word of God
      - f. Hear and your soul shall live prosperously
    2. James 1:21-The Word that you stay attached to will become one with your soul and make your soul whole (nothing missing/broken)
      - a. You got to stay attached to this word long enough to where you see yourself the way God sees you-Diligence
      - b. An old broke soul needs to be saved/made whole by this Word
    3. This is how God sees you financially-2 Corinthians 8:9, 9:8, Luke 6:38, 1 Tim 6:17, Matthew 6:33, Romans 8:32, Galatians 3:14, Proverbs 10:22, 3 John 2, Malachi 3:10, Proverbs 3:9-10, 1 John 4:17, Philippians 4:19-This is how he sees you
      - a. For Satan this all comes back to your identity; He didn't it with Adam, Jesus, and he hasn't changed
  - B. The Word seed and the money seed work with one another, not independent of one another
    1. The Word is the seed that's going to change the inside of you, your inner image
      - a. That money has seed has no power to change the inside of you

- b. You can sow financial seed, but until this word seed comes in and changes your image, financial prosperity will not manifest at the potential that it could manifest
  - c. This Word is responsible for changing your image and when that changes you're financial well-being will begin to change
2. The money seed is responsible for multiplying and coming back to you, but only to the level of the image that you have
- a. If you don't sow the money seed then your image has nothing to support and work with
- C. The poor need the gospel preached to them because the poor man is poor outside because he's poor inside
1. The answer for a poverty is the Word of God-Matt 11:5, Luke 7:22, 4:18
- a. The answer for the poor is to have the gospel preached, not their needs met
  - b. Jesus fed 5000 people in a desert place. He was capable of doing the same thing with every poor person that he saw.
    - 1) He said I only do what hear and see of my Father to do (John 5:30, 8:28,29)
    - 2) In dealing with the poor Jesus 1) Gave alms 2) Gave the Word---He gave them both seeds
  - c. They need to find out what the word says, prosper their soul and do it; That's the way out of poverty (Deut 15:4)
    - 1) If we're going to address the poverty in a poor man's life, then we must first all address the poverty of his soul
2. Somebody has to preach prosperity to you; the same way somebody had to preach salvation to you, you had to act on it and then you got saved; you have to prosper in your soul financially, know the principles that make the law work and do it (Romans 10:8-15)
- a. People don't believe in the God that will make you abundantly rich; they believe in the God that will meet your need
    - 1) 14-They haven't believed God will make you abundantly rich because they haven't heard it
    - 2) 14-How can they hear it without it being preached? How can it be preached if God didn't send them?
  - b. How are you going to call upon Him (His Word) if you don't believe it?
    - 1) How are you going to believe in it without hearing it?
    - 2) How are you going to hear without a preacher to preach it?
    - 3) How is the preacher going to preach if he hasn't been sent?
  - c. 15-This is a prosperity gospel not a poverty gospel

**II. The seed of God's word is going to bump into an old broke image that's been built up over the years**

- A. There are strongholds that get built up in our mind through our **experiences, exposures, and instruction** (2 Cor 10:5)
1. Strongholds-Fortresses of thought (ways of thinking), built by what you've been exposed to, designed to trap you in a way of life
  2. EX: Bold Eagle and a buzzard-At the edge of the woods, near a small farm, a baby eagle fell out of the nest. The farmer found the eagle, and thinking it was one of his own, brought him to the chicken coop with his other chickens. As time passed, the baby eagle grew up learning to do what chickens do. He clucked, he strutted around the coop pecking at the corn and even tried his voice at the morning wake-up call. A neighbor came to visit his friend the chicken farmer. He was surprised to see the eagle strutting around the chicken coop, pecking at the ground, and acting like a chicken. The farmer explained to him that he had brought the bird to the coop as a chick and only later discovered that it was an eagle. He further told his friend that since the bird had been raised a chicken that the bird actually believed himself to be a chicken. The neighbor knew there was more to this noble bird than his behavior showed as a chicken. He was born an eagle and had the heart of an eagle, and nothing could change that. The neighbor reached down and lifted the eagle onto the fence surrounding the chicken coop and said, "Eagle, you are an eagle. Stretch your wings and fly." The eagle only look blankly at the man and clucked. He jumped off the fence and continued doing what chicken do. The farmer was satisfied. "I told you - he thinks he's a chicken," he said. The neighbor couldn't sleep that night and returned the next day to convince the farmer that the eagle was born for something greater. The man took the eagle from the dirty coop and carried him to the top of the farmhouse. Setting the bird down on the roof, the neighbor spoke to him: "Eagle, you are an eagle. You therefore belong to the sky and not to the earth. Stretch your wings and fly." The large bird blinked at the man, clucked, and then jumped down into the chicken coop. After another restless night, the friend returned the next morning to the chicken farm and took the eagle and the farmer away from the chicken coop to the foot of a high mountain. They could not see the farm nor the chicken coop from this great height. The man lifted the eagle on his outstretched arm and pointed high into the sky where the bright sun was beckoning above. He spoke: "Eagle, you are an eagle! You therefore belong to the sky and not to the earth. Stretch your wings and fly." This time the eagle stared skyward into the bright sun, straightened his large body, and stretched his massive wings. His wings moved, slowly at first, then surely and powerfully. With the mighty screech of an eagle, he flew away.
  3. 3-The battle is not in the physical, natural realm-(Just like in Numbers 13)
    - a. The battle is inside; the biggest enemy is your inner-me
  4. 4,5-You pull down strong holds by:

- a. Casting down imaginations that exalt themselves against the Word
  - b. Then bring your thoughts into obedience to the Word
- B. Paint a new image
  - 1. You have to take the thought and say it until you don't have to think to say it (Matthew 6:31)
    - a. You have to do that until the word in you becomes more real than the world outside of you
    - b. EX: In my eyes I was rich long before I had any money
    - c. You're going to have to go to the point of God's word, use the brush of your tongue, and paint an image on the canvas of your heart that you are a rich man (Psalm 45:2)
  - 2. Matthew 12:33-37
    - a. 33-Make the tree good
    - b. 34-You're going to speak based on and from the image in your heart (Numbers 14)
    - c. 34-You got to get to the place where it's not just coming out of your head, but your heart
    - d. 35-You bring forth things from your heart
    - e. 37-By your words you're justified and condemned
  - 3. Believing and speaking is how you got into this thing and this is how it works (Mark 11:23)
    - a. Your words and your image are hindering your money seed; they are stout against it
    - b. You're sowing seed, but your image and your words are **disabling** and **crippling** it
- C. Meditation is the key to inner transformation
  - 1. Joshua 1:8-His victory or defeat was not determined by the strength of his opponent outside, but by what was going on in his heart on the inside
  - 2. Meditate so that you can observe/see to do
    - a. Meditate the word to see yourself rich and then do rich
    - b. Meditate-Utter a sound, thoughtful deliberation with the implication of speaking to oneself, to imagine, to speak, to talk
  - 3. Don't take a broke image into battle
    - a. It seems like we've been trudging through the mud financially because we're taking broke image into this financial battle
      - 1) You can't sow and tithe with a broke image and then stand in holy wonderment about why you don't prosper
    - b. Psalm 1:1-3-No matter where I go I'm bringing the Word and my prosperous soul with me
- D. 8 Keys To Effective Meditation
  - 1. Separation is key in meditation
  - 2. Meditate the Word with purpose
  - 3. Speak the Word out loud; this controls your thoughts

4. Apply the Word to yourself personally
  5. Place yourself in agreement with what the Word says about you
  6. Ponder how that changes your situation
  7. See yourself as the Word says you are
  8. Remember the blood covenant and that God can't lie
- E. 2 Corinthians 3:18-That image is going to change as you look at the right thing
1. As we look in this Word it's going to change us inside and then we'll change outside
  2. If you're looking into a mirror that's reflecting a broke image back to you, you'll become what you behold
    - a. What you behold will put the same thing in you and that's what you'll become