

1. Introduction

Proverbs 10:22 *The **blessing of the LORD makes one rich**, and He adds no sorrow with it.*

Jeremiah 29:11 *For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "**plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.***

3 John 1:2 KJV *I wish above all things that thou may prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospers.*

Haggai 2:9 ***'The glory of this latter temple shall be greater than the former,' says the LORD of hosts***

2. Don't Blame God

Daniel 11:32b ... *the people who **KNOW their God shall be strong, and do exploits***

3. Satan would like to convince the church that it is over for us

4. God is the Great I AM – the Beginning and the END ...

Psalm 66:12b NLT ... *we went through fire and flood, but **You brought us to a place of great abundance.***

Psalm 66:12b KJV 2000 ... *we went through fire and through water: but **You brought us out into a wealthy place.***

"wealthy" – 'revayah' – "running over wealth, saturation"

5. Should we be talking about money in Church?

6. Divine Prosperity is more than "money"

7. God is RICH – He is NOT POOR!

Haggai 2:8 NLT *The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, says the LORD of Heaven's Armies.*

Psalm 50:10 ... *for every beast of the forest is Mine, and the cattle on a thousand hills.*

Revelation 21:21 *The twelve gates were twelve pearls: each individual gate was of one pearl. **And the street of the city was pure gold, like transparent glass.***

8. A central theme throughout the Bible is God's intention to bless His creation

i. God opened His story in the beginning by "blessing" His creation

Genesis 1:26 *Let Us make man **in Our image, according to Our likeness**; let them have dominion over*

Genesis 1:28 *Then **God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over***

ii. The definition – "blessed" – "makarios" – "happy, blessed, to be envied"

iii. The "blessing" of the Lord makes one "rich"

Proverbs 10:22 *The blessing of the LORD makes one rich, and He adds no sorrow with it.*

"rich" "ashar", "to accumulate; grow (causative) make or become rich"

9. God re-established His 'blessing' with Noah after the Flood

Genesis 9:1 *So **God blessed Noah and his sons, and said to them: "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth.***

10. God entered into a covenant of “blessing” with Abraham and his Seed

Genesis 12:2-3b *I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name great; and you shall be a blessing.*
³ ... and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.

- i. God blessed Isaac, and Jacob, throughout all their generations
- ii. King David was so blessed he piled up silver as stone outside the city
- iii. Solomon had so much wealth, the Queen of Sheba came to see it. “the half was not told me.’ (1 Kings 10:7)

11. God takes pleasure in our prosperity

Psalm 35:27 *Let them shout for joy and be glad, who favor my righteous cause; and let them say continually, let the Lord be magnified, who has pleasure in the prosperity of His servant.*

“prosperity” – shalom – “completeness, soundness, welfare, safety, health, prosperity, peace (from war), peace (in human relationships)”

There is a Key – a spiritual law here that we need to learn: “...let them say continually”

12. God said that He would teach us how to profit!

Isaiah 48:17b *“I am the LORD your God, who teaches you to profit, who leads you by the way you should go.*

Deuteronomy 8:18 *And you shall remember the LORD your God, for it is He who gives you power to get wealth, that He may establish His covenant which He swore to your fathers, as it is this day.*

13. Poverty was NEVER God’s Will or Plan for our lives

- i. Poverty came as a result of the CURSE that **entered** the earth after Adam sinned.
- ii. God DID NOT curse the earth – sinned opened the door to the curse.
- iii. Some scholars say the curse can be summed up as: “**poverty, sickness, spiritual death**”

In Deuteronomy 28:15 onwards – Poverty is listed under the curse

14. Christ has redeemed us from the curse: poverty, sickness, spiritual death

Galatians 3:13-14 *Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us for it is written, ‘Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree.’ 14 That the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.*

2 Corinthians 8:9b AMP ... *He was [so very] rich, yet for your sakes He became [so very] poor, in order that by His poverty you might become enriched (abundantly supplied).*

Jesus did not “become” poor UNTIL He entered the time of His trial and death.

15. God wants Us to Prosper in all things

3 John 1:2 *Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers.*

“prosper” – “euodoo” – “to succeed in business affairs, have a prosperous journey”

God’s prosperity includes: The **spirit of man, soul, physical body, social, financial**

16. God’s blessing and divine prosperity is not automatic

- i. We need to ...come out from where we are ...
Genesis 12:1-3 *Now the LORD had said to Abram: “Get out of your country,...*
- ii. BE willing to leave the OLD mind sets of fear, defeat, poverty, lack
Isaiah 1:19 *If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land.*