

10 Reasons Why God Wants You To Prosper

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(Joshua 1:8) This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success.

(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.

When God talks about prosperity are not just a peace of mind ... prosperity literally means financial abundance.

“*Success*” in the dictionary means:

1. **Wealth**
2. **Honor** (Fame)
3. **Influence** (Leadership)

1. **God wants you to prosper because it is His nature.** (Gen. 17:1-2)
2. **God wants you to prosper so He can establish His covenant in the earth.** (Deut. 8:18)
3. **God wants you to prosper so you can provide for His church.** (Mal. 3:10)
4. **God wants you to prosper to keep finances out of the devil’s control.** (Mal. 3:11)
5. **God wants you to prosper so you can help the poor.** (Prov. 19:17)
6. **God wants you to prosper so you can honor and glorify Him.** (Prov. 3:9-10)
7. **God wants you to prosper so you can leave an inheritance for your family.** (Prov. 13:22)
8. **God wants you to prosper so you can prove the sincerity of your love.** (2 Cor. 8:8)
9. **God wants you to prosper so you can lead and influence society.** (Deut. 28:11-13)
10. **God wants you to prosper because He is good God and He wants to bless His children.** (Ps. 35:27)

How to enter into a prosperous life and have success?

(Matthew 25:14) "For the kingdom of heaven is like a man traveling to a far country, who called his own servants and delivered his goods to them.

God's Kingdom is not random. God always work according to a pattern based on a principal because God is consistence God. God does not change in His way He works. It is the same yesterday, today and forever.

Principle of Stewardship

How do you know you are a steward?

(Matthew 25:15) And to one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one, to each according to his own ability; and immediately he went on a journey.

One talent in today's currency is US\$500,000. So you can see how much God wants to give to us. You may be poor today but when you are serving God, you will not be poor in all your life.

God is not a poor or stingy God who wants to withhold from you. The question is...

Are you able to handle the money when God gives you the money?

God is a giver not a taker. God is a blesser not a robber. God does not need your money!

Important Truth: God never test you in much, He always test you in the little.

(Matthew 25:20) So he who had received five talents came and brought five other talents, saying, 'Lord, you delivered to me five talents; look, I have gained five more talents besides them.'

(Matthew 25:21) His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'

(Matthew 25:22) He also who had received two talents came and said, 'Lord, you delivered to me two talents; look, I have gained two more talents besides them.'

(Matthew 25:23) His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'

Stewardship is not just having wealth and success but also influence and authority over cities.

(Luke 12:15) And He said to them, "Take heed and beware of covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of the things he possesses."

God is not against you having possession. He just does not want you to be possessed by the possession.

Covetousness is a strong desire to take things that does not belong to you. It will lead to greed, selfishness and corruption.

(Luke 12:21) So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."

A steward is like a re-distributor having the mentality that "*What I have is not mine.*" That is just to know that he is just being a caretaker of someone else. That is what God is looking for someone to carry that mentality.

(Haggai 2:8) 'The silver is Mine, and the gold is Mine,' says the Lord of hosts.

(Psalms 24:1) The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it. The world and all its people belong to him.

God set you here on earth is to give hope to the hopeless. Give new vision to the aimless. To be a re-distributor.

(1 Corinthians 4:2) Moreover it is required in stewards that one be found faithful.

So before God can pour millions of dollars in your life (*do not limit what god can give you!*), He wants to know how faithful and willing are you as a steward – a re-distributor, when He does place it in your care. Only then He can give you the greater things in life.

A simple way how God can tell how faithful people are is through their tithing.

Tithe: One-Tenth (10%) of your increase

Why God does not set a fixed amount like \$50 instead of 10%?

Today the amount of \$50 does not seem to all. But still it may be a lot to many. Therefore this system God created of 10% is a fair amount for everyone. If you are poor, 10% of your earnings; if you are rich, 10% of your earnings. Sure you can give more than 10%, but remember is it not how much the amount but the little things God wants to see.

What if you are earning nothing, \$0? 10% of 0 is also 0! Therefore you are also technically tithing!

God's desire is to entrust you. But the question is whether you can be trusted. Do not expect God to make deposits in your life when He cannot freely make withdrawals. Just imagine you are at a bank wanting to make a deposit and the banker tells you that you cannot make withdrawals. *Will you still put the money?* Obviously not!

Conclusion...

(Luke 12:29) And do not seek what you should eat or what you should drink, nor have an anxious mind.

(Luke 12:30) For all these things the nations of the world seek after, and your Father knows that you need these things.

To be an effective steward, having a right mindset is critical! God in the Bible tells you do not be worry and be in stress all the time. Do not be concerns with what you eat, drink, stay, etc. Do not be overly concern over your daily survival. Life is more than just these.

(Luke 12:31) But seek the kingdom of God, and all these things shall be added to you.

“All these things” are all your assets! Everything you have! Notice God used the word *“added”* and not *“multiplied”*. Therefore it means God will give you things as time passes. Simply because God wants to know if He can entrust you with the little things before the much things!

“If everything is by additional, then where is multiplication at work then?”

(2 Corinthians 9:6) But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.

(2 Corinthians 9:7) So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver.

(2 Corinthians 9:8) And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have an abundance for every good work.

God prosper you more so you can use it for His Kingdom cause!

(2 Corinthians 9:9) As it is written: "He has dispersed abroad, He has given to the poor; His righteousness endures forever."

Notice it is about giving to the poor. Then...

(2 Corinthians 9:10) Now may He who supplies seed to the sower, and bread for food, supply and multiply the seed you have sown and increase the fruits of your righteousness,

While you assets are adding to you, then you need to multiply your giving! Problem is often people are multiplying their assets and only adding to their giving. That is totally wrong!