

Financial Anointing

Many Christians seek the anointing of God for service or for their ministry. They continue to work with a heart for God, but are limited by a lack of financial resources or crippled with debt. The Lord desires us to be prosperous and successful in all areas of our life, finances included. There is a financial anointing to the good and faithful steward who is well-pleasing to the Lord.

I. Anointing with Power

The anointing of God blesses (empowers to prosper) the one He anoints. In Hebrew, anointing is the word shemen (sheh'-men, H8981) meaning grease, especially liquid as from the olive, often perfumed. In the Old Testament, Aaron was anointed as priest and David was anointed by Samuel as the King of Israel.

The anointing is defined by what it can do in the prophecy of Isaiah:

Isaiah 10:27 And it shall come to pass in that day, that his burden shall be taken away from off thy shoulder, and his yoke from off thy neck, and the yoke shall be destroyed because of the anointing.

The anointing is the burden-removing, yoke-destroying power of God.

Jesus announced His anointing at the beginning of His ministry after His baptism and the defeat of Satan in the wilderness.

Luke 4:18-19 The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.

Jesus was anointed to defeat the enemy and to do the work of the Father on the earth.

Acts 10:38 How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.

The Greek word for anointing is chrio (G5548, khree'-o); the idea of contact; to smear or rub with oil. This word is the root of Christos, anointed one, translated Christ or Messiah. Jesus Christ means Jesus the Messiah or Jesus the Anointed One. Jesus' anointing was seven fold as described by Isaiah:

Isaiah 11:1-2 And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots: And the spirit of the LORD shall

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rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;

The anointing works in all areas of human life: salvation, healing, deliverance, and prosperity.

The Bible tells us that all our need is supplied through the anointing of Jesus.

Philippians 4:19 But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

All the heavenly riches are available to the believers, as the joint-heirs of Christ, the Anointed One and His anointing.

Ephesians 1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:

Romans 8:17 And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.

The anointing comes from practicing the presence of God and His anointed Word. We practice the presence of God through dedicated fellowship with Him. If He is our best Friend, we should spend time with Him in prayer and praise. By knowing God intimately, we have the anointing available for all problems and for every good work. The presence of God covers us or pours the anointing on us with wisdom and might for all areas of our lives.

II. Understanding Prosperity

In the area of finances, the anointing removes the burden of lack and destroys the yoke of debt. The burden of lack is a constant thought of lack or unfulfilled need. Anyone who is burdened with lack is limited and slowed in his progress because he is without resources. The yoke of debt is a constant pressure on the borrower making him servant or slave to the lender.

Money or financial prosperity is the lowest form of power on the earth. The highest form of power is prayer and praise. All failures in our human existence are prayer and praise failures. All human failures can be traced back the lack of prayer and praise in the presence of the Lord. The anointing comes as a result of prayer and praise.

The Lord's anointing in our finances can cause us to move from the darkness of debt to

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light of luxury. It is God's wish and pleasure for His children to prosper financially and in all other ways.

3 John 1:2 Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.

Psalm 35:27 Let them shout for joy, and be glad, that favour my righteous cause: yea, let them say continually, Let the LORD be magnified, which hath pleasure in the prosperity of his servant.

God is our source and our power to get wealth and power.

Deuteronomy 8:18 But thou shalt remember the LORD thy God: for it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he sware unto thy fathers, as it is this day.

The anointed keys to prosperity are:

- 1. tithing to God**
- 2. offerings to others**
- 3. saving for ourselves**
- 4. working the law of sowing and reaping**
- 5. freeing ourselves from debt.**

Faithful doers of these steps will receive and live in the prosperity which God desires for them.

III. Road to Prosperity

The prosperity which God desires for us is a blessing for all believers who seek to travel along the anointed road.

A. Faithful Tithing

The tithe is the first tenth of our increase or income. The Lord declares the tithe as holy unto Him. Presenting the tithe (10%) or the first fruits back to the Lord and His work is the very first step on the road to prosperity. By withholding the holy tithe, we are robbing God and the windows of heaven are shut to us.

Malachi 3:10 Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts,

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if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

According to the prophet Malachi, the tithe is given to the storehouse that there may be food at the table. The storehouse is where spiritual food is stored. The holy tithe is given where God directs you.

Tithing was established by God in the Garden of Eden, The sons of Adam were to worship God with tithes. Abel brought the firstlings of his flock which was received as his tithe, Cain gave only some of his produce. The gift has to be a tenth of the first fruits or income to be acceptable to God as the tithe. The tithe continues into the New Testament, Paul teaches the Corinthians to bring the first fruits on the first day of the week.

Because the tithe is holy to God, we should present it to Him according to the Bible. We find in the Old Testament the pattern of presenting, worshipping, rejoicing, and confessing.

Deuteronomy 26:10-11 And now, behold, I have brought the firstfruits of the land, which thou, O LORD, hast given me. And thou shalt set it before the LORD thy God, and worship before the LORD thy God:

And thou shalt rejoice in every good thing which the LORD thy God hath given unto thee, and unto thine house, thou, and the Levite, and the stranger that is among you.

The tithes should be presented to the priest to carry into the Father. Jesus is now our High priest. Then we worship God, the source of all our increase and blessings. Rejoicing breaks out when we speak the truth about how God has blessed us abundantly. Our faith confession of abundance and prosperity is strengthened when we proclaim His goodness and grace toward us. A guide for this process is this prayer:

Jesus, as my Lord and my High Priest, I bring this tithe, my first fruits of my income to You to present before the Father.

I confess and thank you this day unto the Lord God that I have come into the inheritance which the Lord sworn to give me.

I was a sinner serving Satan; he was my god, but I called upon the name of Jesus. You heard my cry and delivered me from the power and authority of darkness and translated me into the Kingdom of Your dear Son.

I rejoice in all the good which You have given to me and my household. I

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have responded to the voice of the Lord my God and have done according to all that He has commanded me.

Now look down from the open windows in Your holy habitation in heaven and bless me as You have promised in Your Word.

I worship and thank You, my Lord and my God with this tithe.

Tithes are the provision for the house of God and in return, the provision for our houses and living is furnished through the open windows of heaven. Tithes open the windows of heaven toward us. God's eyes and ears are open toward us and our needs.

B. Cheerful Offerings

Offerings are gifts to the Lord beyond the tithe out of the remaining 90% of our income or money. The tithe provides for our house or our current level of living. To change the financial situation, an offering must be given to have a harvest return large enough to change our situations.

Malachi 3:12 And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the LORD of hosts.

All the offerings should be in the proper degree and with a proper attitude:

2 Corinthians 9:6-7 But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.

Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver

The return or harvest is based on the degree of offering. The same measure is used to multiple the return as is used in the giving. The giver should be giving cheerfully with a purpose and expecting the need to be met by the Lord of the Harvest. Financial pressure or a grudging spirit inhibits or prevents the return and voids the true offering. These offerings to the Lord are given so that a specific need will be met in our lives. We should give out of our need, or plant the seed of what we want to harvest. Offerings can be :

- 1. Giving to the poor**
- 2. Investing in the Gospel**
- 3. An offering of praise**

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Giving to the poor is lending to God.

Proverbs 19:17 He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the LORD; and that which he hath given will he pay him again.

God is a good credit risk and because He does not want to be in debt, He repays quickly. We give to the poor and God repays us. The poor have a special place in the heart of God because He is ready to work on their behalf to change their financial position so that they can become givers rather than receivers.

Investing in the Gospel is giving to those who are actively spreading and preaching the Good News to the lost. Mission offerings is an investment in the Gospel. Each Christian organization should be actively supporting missionary outreaches. Our prayers should be asking the Lord into which faithful mission should we be investing, not if we should give.

During times of great praise, we should honor God with an offering of praise. This is an outward sign to the enemy that the love of money does not have hold on our life. Praise is inhabited by God and brings His power and might into our financial life. Give the best you have to the Lord. He gave the best He had for you.

All offerings and giving should consist of three actions on our part:

- 1. Name the seed we give**
- 2. Confess the multiplied increase**
- 3. Faithfully expect the return**

The seed determines the type of harvest. The return is always greater than the seed. Faith is the evidence of things hoped for. Believe we have received and we shall have them.

Galatians 6:9 And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.

We always expect the harvest in the proper timing. God is able and God is faithful.

IV. Living in Prosperity

After we realize that the Lord desires us to be prosperous, we should continue to live in prosperity. To live in prosperity, we must continue to sow and reap, begin a diligent savings process, and eliminate and stay out of debt.

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A. Continue Sowing

The law of sowing and reaping works in all areas of life not just farming. We have to sow faith to reap salvation. We give love and we receive love. From the beginning of time, we see:

Genesis 1:11 And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, and the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed is in itself, upon the earth: and it was so.

There is a seed time and harvest for crops and for the relationships and situations in our lives.

Genesis 8:22 While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.

We do not have to understand how the crops grow or how faith can work its work in our spirit to receive and enjoy the harvest.

Mark 4:27 And should sleep, and rise night and day, and the seed should spring and grow up, he knoweth not how.

We must sow the seed to produce the desired return or harvest. We should not be foolish or deceived to think our seed will not grow and return to us.

Galatians 6:7 Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

We begin to sow in the manner in which we want to receive the return.

2 Corinthians 9:6 But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.

Our sown seed mirrors the Word of the Lord in our heart. Our seed is sown by us in giving, actions, or the spoken word.

Isaiah 55:11 So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.

When we give to others who are in turn sowing into the lives of other people we are double sowing. Examples of this is offerings into Christian activities, missionaries, or faith-full churches.

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B. Begin Harvesting

Harvesting is the reward of faithful sowing and tending the garden. To tend a garden means to care for it and to value the garden and its potential return. The actions of a successful harvester are:

- Get in agreement - with the Lord's will for prosperity
- Lay hold by faith - exercise our belief in the spiritual laws
- Bind the devil - keep the devourers out of the garden
- Loose the forces of heaven - as water and light for crop growth
- Praise God for the answer - wait with patience for the harvest season

The seasons of physical crops and harvests are varied time periods. Likewise, the spiritual kingdom has various times for the maturing of the harvest. We must stay with the good ground and care for the sowed seed until the harvest is ready.

Galatians 6:9 And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.

Our words must be in line with our faith on the expected harvest. If we are sowers, then the harvest is ours to proclaim as we wait expectantly. The return of the seed is dependent of the ground into which it is sowed.

Matthew 13:8 But other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some an hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold.

Good ground returns thirty, sixty, or a hundred times the seed planted. The thirty-fold return is equal to a 3000% increase. When the harvest time arrives the rightful owner should, with joy, bring in the harvest.

Mark 4:29 But when the fruit is brought forth, immediately he putteth in the sickle, because the harvest is come.

The source of the miracle of sowing and reaping is the Lord in Heaven. He promises to give provision for living and more seed to plant for the next harvest.

Isaiah 55:10 For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater:

Some of the harvest seed should be saved for replanting for continued increase. The farmer who eats all of his seed is doomed to fail in the future. We should not consume all of the return, some portion of our seed should be continually replanted.

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C. Start Saving

Saving money can be considered as saving seed to plant in a newly acquired field. The successful farmer is always ready to plant or sow seed into more fields. With money, we need to be ready to sow or give into new areas for increased harvests. There is great responsibility to provide for our immediate families and the church family.

1 Timothy 5:8 But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel.

We need to be able to give as the Lord directs us. A good goal is to tithe (10%) from our gross income into our savings. Savings allow us to avoid borrowing, causes us to give up some control of our finances or resources. The very action of a savings account is like sowing seed, the balance grows as interest is added to the account each month.

There is a natural financial miracle named compound interest which gives interest on your interest. A quick formula to see how fast your money will double is the rule of 72 (72 divided by the interest rate equals the number years required to double). The balance in a saving account at 3.1% interest doubles in 20 years just from the interest earned. You worked for your money, make your money work for you.

Today is the day of your savings. Start saving immediately with any amount of money on a regular basis. With saving, time is the dominate element. By saving \$100 a month at 10%, the balance will increase to \$20,485 after ten years, (only \$12,000 was deposited).

Investing your savings is the next step if you are free of short term debt and you have a plan in operation to eliminate your long term debt.

D. Eliminate Debt

Debt or borrowing is a situation which we have grown to expect or accept as the only way to buy in our economy. The Bible has a different view of borrowing.

Proverbs 22:7 The rich ruleth over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender.

We see that we give some of our rights to the lender. If you have an outstanding loan or lien on your house or car, you do not have a clear or free title. The lender dictates what insurance must be maintained on the property. The property is not totally yours to use or give away as directed by the Lord.

The amount of money paid as interest is enormous. The payments of a typical 30 year

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house loan equals about 3¹/₂ times the selling price of the house. Money which could be sown to increase is lost in paying interest.

Haggai 1:6 Ye have sown much, and bring in little; ye eat, but ye have not enough; ye drink, but ye are not filled with drink; ye clothe you, but there is none warm; and he that earneth wages earneth wages to put it into a bag with holes.

Too much today is bought on credit putting many Christian into debt. In years past, the house was the only outstanding debt people had. Now, everything from cars, boats, vacations, and clothes are added to the consumer debt. Most of this debt is on short term credit cards which have very high interest rates.

Americans are buying things they don't need,
with money they don't have,
to impress people they don't like.

You should do all you can to get out of all debt. Love is the only debt we should never be finished repaying.

Romans 13:8 Owe no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law.

How to you get out of debt? Stop borrowing. Don't buy anything else on credit. Make a quality decision not to borrow any more. Begin a progress of paying off your current debts. Instead of using credit or borrowing to buy, save for it. Set a dollar goal and begin saving for the desired item. Use the power of patience to wait until the amount is accumulated with interest for the purchase. Without borrowing, you can avoid interest payments and have more seed to sow or money to give to help others as the Lord directs.

V. Faithful in Finances

We have to prove ourselves faithful in our present situation for advancement in the financial area. We must set our hearts and be single minded.

A. Serving One Master

Just as a soldier cannot be loyal to both armies in a battle, you cannot serve two masters, God and worldly riches.

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Luke 16:13 No servant can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon.

If you are double minded, you are ineffective. In the world, money is everything and the source of power. The riches of this world are temporary and weak against the might and eternality of God. You will not make progress or success if you try to set your heart on two things. You must put God first and value time with Him, His Word, and His people. As you seek His kingdom first, He insures that all needful things will be provided for us. After we prove ourselves faithful to return tithes, present offerings, and control the finances we have; the Lord increases our stewardship. If we are lazy in finances or controlled by the love of money, we will not be given more.

Luke 16:11 If therefore ye have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches?

Mark 4:24 And he said unto them, Take heed what ye hear: with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you: and unto you that hear shall more be given.

Our words must be in line with the Word of God that we believe in our heart. All of us should confess the Lord as our Shepherd and Provider. When our beliefs, our words, and our actions are in agreement with each other, we will be a stable people, in spirit and in finances.

Matthew 12:34 O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.

Matthew 15:8 This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me.

We have to choose a master of our lives to avoid being blown as waves on the sea. We accept that God is our source not the physical, economic world. The young lions of the world, who have economic power and wealth, are admired and imitated by many people.

Psalms 34:10 The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the LORD shall not want any good thing.

We should always seek after the eternal things and all the worldly things needed will be added unto us.

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Matthew 6:33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Many people want to be promoted or successful in life. How can you be sure to be promoted? By being faithful in the situations currently before you. Promotion comes to these who are faithful over the things they have.

Matthew 25:23 His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

When the Lord promotes or gives you financial blessings, continue to be faithful and more will surely come. Those who are wasteful and poor stewards of what they have will continue to lose ground in their financial position.

Matthew 25:29 For unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath.

VI. Source of the Anointing

Your source is the your Lord. When you rely on man's system, you will be disappointed. Put your faith in God and His love toward you. God always gives direction to His people. Seek the Lord for financial wisdom and might through Christ, His Anointed One and His anointing.

Philippians 4:13 I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.

God's anointing gives you wisdom, the knowledge of what to do and might, the ability to do anything. It is always God's might that gives you strength. It is His desire for you to live in prosperity. You can have the financial anointing to live in prosperity.

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Genesis 1:11 "And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb yielding seed, and the fruit tree yielding fruit after his kind, whose seed is in itself, upon the earth: and it was so."

Genesis 4:3 "And in process of time it came to pass, that Cain brought of the fruit of the ground an offering unto the LORD."

Genesis 4:4 "And Abel, he also brought of the firstlings of his flock and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had respect unto Abel and to his offering."

Genesis 8:22 "While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease."

Genesis 14:19 "And he blessed him, and said, Blessed be Abram of the most high God, possessor of heaven and earth:"

Leviticus 27:30 "And all the tithe of the land, whether of the seed of the land, or of the fruit of the tree, is the LORD'S: it is holy unto the LORD."

Deuteronomy 8:18 "But thou shalt remember the LORD thy God: for it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he sware unto thy fathers, as it is this day."

Deuteronomy 14:22 "Thou shalt truly tithe all the increase of thy seed, that the field bringeth forth year by year."

Deuteronomy 26:2 "That thou shalt take of the first of all the fruit of the earth, which thou shalt bring of thy land that the LORD thy God giveth thee, and shalt put it in a basket, and shalt go unto the place which the LORD thy God shall choose to place his name there."

Deuteronomy 26:9 "And he hath brought us into this place, and hath given us this land, even a land that floweth with milk and honey."

Deuteronomy 26:10 "And now, behold, I have brought the firstfruits of the land, which thou, O LORD, hast given me. And thou shalt set it before the LORD thy God, and worship before the LORD thy God:"

Deuteronomy 26:11 "And thou shalt rejoice in every good thing which the LORD thy God hath given unto thee, and unto thine house, thou, and the Levite, and the stranger that is among you."

Deuteronomy 26:12 "When thou hast made an end of tithing all the tithes of thine increase the third year, which is the year of tithing, and hast given it

unto the Levite, the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, that they may eat within thy gates, and be filled;"

Deuteronomy 26:15 "Look down from thy holy habitation, from heaven, and bless thy people Israel, and the land which thou hast given us, as thou swarest unto our fathers, a land that floweth with milk and honey."

Deuteronomy 28:12 "The LORD shall open unto thee his good treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto thy land in his season, and to bless all the work of thine hand: and thou shalt lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow."

Deuteronomy 28:44 "He shall lend to thee, and thou shalt not lend to him: he shall be the head, and thou shalt be the tail."

Job 36:11 "If they obey and serve him, they shall spend their days in prosperity, and their years in pleasures."

Psalms 23:1 "A Psalm of David. The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want."

Psalms 34:9 "O fear the LORD, ye his saints: for there is no want to them that fear him."

Psalms 34:10 "The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the LORD shall not want any good thing."

Psalms 35:17 "Lord, how long wilt thou look on? rescue my soul from their destructions, my darling from the lions."

Psalms 35:27 "Let them shout for joy, and be glad, that favour my righteous cause: yea, let them say continually, Let the LORD be magnified, which hath pleasure in the prosperity of his servant."

Psalms 118:25 "Save now, I beseech thee, O LORD: O LORD, I beseech thee, send now prosperity."

Proverbs 3:9 "Honour the LORD with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase:"

Proverbs 3:10 "So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine."

Proverbs 8:18 "Riches and honour are with me; yea, durable riches and righteousness."

Proverbs 8:21 "That I may cause those that love me to inherit substance; and I will fill their treasures."

Proverbs 10:3 "The LORD will not suffer the soul of

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the righteous to famish: but he casteth away the substance of the wicked."

Proverbs 10:4 "He becometh poor that dealeth with a slack hand: but the hand of the diligent maketh rich."

Proverbs 10:5 "He that gathereth in summer is a wise son: but he that sleepeth in harvest is a son that causeth shame."

Proverbs 10:22 "The blessing of the LORD, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it."

Proverbs 11:24 "There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty."

Proverbs 11:28 "He that trusteth in his riches shall fall: but the righteous shall flourish as a branch."

Proverbs 13:4 "The soul of the sluggard desireth, and hath nothing: but the soul of the diligent shall be made fat."

Proverbs 13:7 "There is that maketh himself rich, yet hath nothing: there is that maketh himself poor, yet hath great riches."

Proverbs 13:11 "Wealth gotten by vanity shall be diminished: but he that gathereth by labour shall increase."

Proverbs 13:22 "A good man leaveth an inheritance to his children's children: and the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just."

Proverbs 18:16 "A man's gift maketh room for him, and bringeth him before great men."

Proverbs 19:15 "Slothfulness casteth into a deep sleep; and an idle soul shall suffer hunger."

Proverbs 19:17 "He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the LORD; and that which he hath given will he pay him again."

Proverbs 21:5 "The thoughts of the diligent tend only to plenteousness; but of every one that is hasty only to want."

Proverbs 21:17 "He that loveth pleasure shall be a poor man: he that loveth wine and oil shall not be rich."

Proverbs 21:20 "There is treasure to be desired and oil in the dwelling of the wise; but a foolish man spendeth it up."

Proverbs 22:7 "The rich ruleth over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender."

Proverbs 28:8 "He that by usury and unjust gain increaseth his substance, he shall gather it for him that will pity the poor."

Proverbs 28:19 "He that tilleth his land shall have plenty of bread: but he that followeth after vain persons shall have poverty enough."

Proverbs 28:20 "A faithful man shall abound with blessings: but he that maketh haste to be rich shall not be innocent."

Isaiah 10:27 "And it shall come to pass in that day, that his burden shall be taken away from off thy shoulder, and his yoke from off thy neck, and the yoke shall be destroyed because of the anointing."

Isaiah 11:1 "And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots:"

Isaiah 11:2 "And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;"

Isaiah 48:17 "Thus saith the LORD, thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; I am the LORD thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the way that thou shouldest go."

Isaiah 55:10 "For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater:"

Isaiah 55:11 "So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it."

Jeremiah 29:11 "For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end."

Haggai 1:6 "Ye have sown much, and bring in little; ye eat, but ye have not enough; ye drink, but ye are not filled with drink; ye clothe you, but there is none warm; and he that earneth wages earneth wages to put it into a bag with holes."

Malachi 3:8 "Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, Wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings."

Malachi 3:9 "Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed me, even this whole nation."

Malachi 3:10 "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house,

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and prove me now herewith, saith the LORD of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

Malachi 3:11 "And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field, saith the LORD of hosts."

Malachi 3:12 "And all nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the LORD of hosts."

Matthew 5:42 "Give to him that asketh thee, and from him that would borrow of thee turn not thou away."

Matthew 6:19 "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal:"

Matthew 6:20 "But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:"

Matthew 6:21 "For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

Matthew 6:24 "No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon."

Matthew 10:42 "And whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold water only in the name of a disciple, verily I say unto you, he shall in no wise lose his reward."

Matthew 12:34 "O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh."

Matthew 19:21 "Jesus said unto him, If thou wilt be perfect, go and sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come and follow me."

Matthew 22:21 "They say unto him, Caesar's. Then saith he unto them, Render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's."

Matthew 25:23 "His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord."

Matthew 25:29 "For unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he

hath."

Mark 4:8 "And other fell on good ground, and did yield fruit that sprang up and increased; and brought forth, some thirty, and some sixty, and some an hundred."

Mark 4:13 "And he said unto them, Know ye not this parable? and how then will ye know all parables?"

Mark 4:14 "The sower soweth the word."

Mark 4:15 "And these are they by the way side, where the word is sown; but when they have heard, Satan cometh immediately, and taketh away the word that was sown in their hearts."

Mark 4:16 "And these are they likewise which are sown on stony ground; who, when they have heard the word, immediately receive it with gladness;"

Mark 4:17 "And have no root in themselves, and so endure but for a time: afterward, when affliction or persecution ariseth for the word's sake, immediately they are offended."

Mark 4:18 "And these are they which are sown among thorns; such as hear the word,"

Mark 4:19 "And the cares of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the lusts of other things entering in, choke the word, and it becometh unfruitful."

Mark 4:20 "And these are they which are sown on good ground; such as hear the word, and receive it, and bring forth fruit, some thirtyfold, some sixty, and some an hundred."

Mark 4:24 "And he said unto them, Take heed what ye hear: with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you: and unto you that hear shall more be given."

Mark 4:25 "For he that hath, to him shall be given: and he that hath not, from him shall be taken even that which he hath."

Mark 4:26 "And he said, So is the kingdom of God, as if a man should cast seed into the ground;"

Mark 4:27 "And should sleep, and rise night and day, and the seed should spring and grow up, he knoweth not how."

Mark 4:28 "For the earth bringeth forth fruit of herself; first the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear."

Mark 4:29 "But when the fruit is brought forth, immediately he putteth in the sickle, because the harvest is come."

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Mark 10:21 "Then Jesus beholding him loved him, and said unto him, One thing thou lackest: go thy way, sell whatsoever thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come, take up the cross, and follow me."

Mark 10:29 "And Jesus answered and said, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my sake, and the gospel's,"

Mark 10:30 "But he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life."

Mark 11:23 "For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith."

Mark 11:24 "Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them."

Luke 6:34 "And if ye lend to them of whom ye hope to receive, what thank have ye? for sinners also lend to sinners, to receive as much again."

Luke 6:35 "But love ye your enemies, and do good, and lend, hoping for nothing again; and your reward shall be great, and ye shall be the children of the Highest: for he is kind unto the unthankful and to the evil."

Luke 6:38 "Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again."

Luke 11:9 "And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you."

Luke 11:41 "But rather give alms of such things as ye have; and, behold, all things are clean unto you."

Luke 12:33 "Sell that ye have, and give alms; provide yourselves bags which wax not old, a treasure in the heavens that faileth not, where no thief approacheth, neither moth corrupteth."

Luke 12:34 "For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

Luke 16:11 "If therefore ye have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your

trust the true riches?"

Luke 19:8 "And Zacchaeus stood, and said unto the Lord; Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken any thing from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold."

John 10:10 "The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly."

Acts 10:38 "How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him."

Acts 20:35 "I have showed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Romans 8:32 "He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?"

Romans 12:13 "Distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality."

Romans 12:20 "Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head."

Romans 13:8 "Owe no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law."

1 Corinthians 13:3 "And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing."

1 Corinthians 16:2 "Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come."

2 Corinthians 8:9 "For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich."

2 Corinthians 9:6 "But this I say, He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully."

2 Corinthians 9:7 "Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver."

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2 Corinthians 9:8 "And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work:"

2 Corinthians 9:9 "(As it is written, He hath dispersed abroad; he hath given to the poor: his righteousness remaineth for ever."

2 Corinthians 9:10 "Now he that ministereth seed to the sower both minister bread for your food, and multiply your seed sown, and increase the fruits of your righteousness;)"

2 Corinthians 9:11 "Being enriched in every thing to all bountifulness, which causeth through us thanksgiving to God."

Galatians 6:7 "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."

Galatians 6:8 "For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting."

Galatians 6:9 "And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not."

Ephesians 4:28 "Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth."

Ephesians 6:8 "Knowing that whatsoever good thing any man doeth, the same shall he receive of the Lord, whether he be bond or free."

Philippians 4:11 "Not that I speak in respect of want: for I have learned, in whatsoever state I am,

therewith to be content."

Philippians 4:19 "But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus."

Colossians 4:1 "Masters, give unto your servants that which is just and equal; knowing that ye also have a Master in heaven."

1 Timothy 5:8 "But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel."

1 Timothy 6:10 "For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows."

1 Timothy 6:17 "Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy;"

1 Timothy 6:18 "That they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate;"

1 Timothy 6:19 "Laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life."

James 2:16 "And one of you say unto them, Depart in peace, be ye warmed and filled; notwithstanding ye give them not those things which are needful to the body; what doth it profit?"

3 John 1:2 "Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth."