

THE KEY TO AN ABUNDANT LIFE

Principles For A Prosperous Life

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

"I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly." John 10:10 (NKJV)

"And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling aroma."
Ephesians 5:2 (NKJV)

"Truly, truly I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit." John 12:24 (NASB)

THREE AREAS OF VITALITY

1. GIVING RELEASES SPIRITUAL VITALITY

"You are to give over to the Lord the first offspring of every womb. All the firstborn males of your livestock belong to the Lord. ¹³ Redeem with a lamb every firstborn donkey..." Exodus 13:12-13 (NIV)

"For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for my sake will find it." Matthew 16:25 (NIV)

"You must set aside a tithe of your crops—one-tenth of all the crops you harvest each year. ²³ Bring this tithe to the designated place of worship—the place the Lord your God chooses for his name to be honored—and eat it there in his presence. This applies to your tithes of grain, new wine, olive oil, and the firstborn males of your flocks and herds. Doing this will teach you always to fear the Lord your God." Deuteronomy 14:22-23 (NLT)

The Measure of My Giving Determines the Measure of...

- **My Love for God**

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

- **My Worship**

"Honor the Lord with your possessions and with the firstfruits of all your increase." Proverbs 3:9 (NKJV)

"But I have received everything in full and have an abundance; I am amply supplied, having received from Epaphroditus what you have sent, a fragrant aroma, an acceptable sacrifice, pleasing to God."
Philippians 4:18 (NASB)

- **My Faith**

"Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it." Malachi 3:10 (NIV)

- **My Love for God's Work**

"Nevertheless, you have done well that you shared in my distress. ¹⁵ Now you Philippians know also that in the beginning of the gospel, when I departed from Macedonia, no church shared with me concerning giving and receiving but you only. ¹⁶ For even in Thessalonica you sent aid once and again for my necessities.

¹⁷ Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that abounds to your account." Philippians 4:14-17 (NKJV)

2. GIVING RELEASES RELATIONAL VITALITY

"Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself for her." Ephesians 5:25 (NKJV)

3. GIVING RELEASES FINANCIAL VITALITY

“Give, and it will be given to you; a good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into to your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you.” Luke 6:38 (NKJV)

“Behold, the sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, part of the seed... fell on good soil, and yielded a crop, some to a hundred, some to sixty, and some thirty times as much.” Matthew 13:3,8 (NASB)

- **Giving Brings Joy**

“Then the people rejoiced because they had offered so willingly, for they made their offering to the LORD wholeheartedly, and King David also rejoiced greatly.” 1 Chronicles 29:9 (NIV)

“It is more blessed to give than to receive.” Acts 20:35 (NIV)