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365 Days of Prosperity

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"He will spend his days in prosperity and
his descendants will inherit the land."
Psalm 25:13, NIV

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Dear Prosperous Believer,

There is no question whatsoever that it is God's perfect will for us to prosper.

By the time he wrote 3 John 2, the Apostle John was called "The Elder." He had become a wise, mature and respected leader in the Church. His integrity was unquestioned. His humility was unparalleled. And his face-to-face relationship with Jesus on the island of Patmos was astounding, to say the least.

That is why this verse is so significant. One listens very closely to a man of great experience, stature and honor in the Body of Christ. Ask me how I know.

"Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth." Notice he said "above all things." To see others prosper and be in health was John's overwhelming passion—a passion that came from the Father. Psalm 35:27 says, "Let the Lord be magnified, which hath pleasure in the prosperity of his servant." We also read in 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." Philippians 4:19 in *The Amplified Bible, Classic Edition,* tells us that "my God will liberally supply (fill to the full) your every need according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus."

Seeing people prosper is also the passion of Kenneth Copeland Ministries.

I began working for KCM in 1976. I became a student of the solid biblical principles of faith that this ministry teaches. I am quite familiar with its mission, having traveled with Kenneth and Gloria Copeland and by listening to countless messages on cassette tapes and then CDs.

From time to time, Brother Copeland would share with congregations what this ministry is called to do. I would write down what he would say and keep a collection of those "mission statements." One day, he spoke about his calling where prosperity was concerned.

He said, "This ministry is called to teach the laws that govern prosperity and supernatural increase and abundance." I could hear the deep sense of responsibility in his voice. I received that mandate as my own, both as a believer in Christ Jesus and as the pastor of Eagle Mountain International Church.

With that said, you can clearly understand the purpose of this series.

The beginning of this series began when Gloria asked me to teach two weeks on the *Believer's Voice of Victory* broadcast. At the time, I was teaching a prosperity series in church.

It was no surprise when the Lord spoke up in my spirit and told me to teach a television series titled "10 Days of Prosperity."

He went on to say, *As much as I want My people healed, I want them to prosper financially and provisionally. I want My people to thrive and flourish in these times. I want them to experience My supernatural provision. Lack and poverty are under the curse. Tell them that they are redeemed from the curse and that they are to walk in the fullness of THE BLESSING. My people are not subject to the times, no matter what is happening around them. Totally immerse them in the Word of prosperity. By doing this, the Word will build their faith and enlarge their capacity to believe and receive. Now, get with the program!* It was a very strong word!

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The Lord impressed me to prepare the outlines in advance and make them available to the television audience. I taped the first 10 programs by myself.

Several weeks after the broadcasts aired, I received one of the most significant phone calls of my life. It was Gloria Copeland calling. "George," she said, "I have had a brilliant idea. I just watched your broadcasts and I want you and me to do the next prosperity series. There is one stipulation—I want you to bring your notes!"

I heartily accepted the offer. Those notes have not been difficult to prepare. I have been taught by the very best! The reference materials are endless. And, what an amazing time we have had. I have learned so much more by taping with Gloria. It is obvious that the message of prosperity is deep within her spirit. I must say that teaching with Gloria has been one of the greatest highlights of my life. What an honor!

I happened to mention something to Gloria while taping our first broadcast together. "Gloria, you just can't exhaust the subject of prosperity," I said. She quickly answered and said, "Let's try!!"

I encourage you to immerse yourself in this series—taking whatever time necessary to thoroughly study each outline. Perhaps you could study one outline each week. You could conduct your own Bible study with friends and family. Pastors and ministers are already using them to preach. Others are referring to them whenever they receive offerings. The possibilities are endless!

All of us at Kenneth Copeland Ministries want you to prosper. But, as we all know, a transformation of the mind takes total immersion in the Word. So, get out your Bibles and notes, and "get with the program!" The results of this series may be found in Psalm 25:13 (NIV): "They will spend their days in prosperity, and their descendants will inherit the land."

Thriving and prospering with you,

Pastor George Pearsons

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10 Days of Prosperity

God Wants Us to Prosper

Day #1

"He will spend his days in prosperity and his descendants will inherit the land."
(Psalm 25:13, NIV)

A. 3 John 2:

1. "Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth."
2. AMPC: "Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in every way…."

B. 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."

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

D. 2 Chronicles 16:9: "For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him…."

E. Proverbs 10:22: "The blessing of the Lord, it maketh rich, and He addeth no sorrow with it."

F. Philippians 4:19:

1. "But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus."
2. AMPC: "And my God will liberally supply (fill to the full) your every need according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus."

G. God has a covenant determination to prosper us. Our responsibility is to believe it and receive it.

H. True prosperity is the ability to use God's power to meet the needs of mankind in every realm of life—spirit, soul, body, financially, emotionally, etc.

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10 Days of Prosperity

Not Subject to the Times

Day #2

A. We Are Not Subject to the Times

1. We are not subject to, and do not live under, the dominion, rule, control or influence of whichever way the economy and world system is going at the moment.
2. The times are subject to the authority of the Word, the blood and the Name of Jesus spoken and acted upon by the believer.
3. The times are subject to us.
4. We are subject to and governed by another economy and another system—the kingdom of God.
5. We live in the secret place.
    a. Psalm 27:1-6: "In the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion…."
    b. Psalm 32:6-7: "Thou art my hiding place…."
    c. Psalm 31:14-15: "My times are in thy hand…."

B. John 17:13-22—We Are Separated From the World's Failing System

1. We are to thrive and not just survive.
    a. *Survive*—barely get by, merely exist
    b. *Thrive*—flourish, succeed, advance, prosper
2. Verse 14: We are not of this world's system.
3. Verse 15: "…Keep them from the evil."
    a. Matthew 6:13: "Deliver us from evil…."
    b. Galatians 1:4: "…Deliver us from this present evil world."
    c. 1 John 5:18: "…That wicked one toucheth him not."
    d. 1 Corinthians 10:13: He has made a way to escape.
4. Verse 17: Sanctified from the world through the Word
    a. *Sanctified*—Separated and cut away from the effects of
    b. Romans 8:2: "The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free [has separated me] from the law of sin and death."
5. We thrive and prosper in tough times.
    a. We are not subject to the economy.
    b. We flourish in spite of what is happening.
    c. Untouched and unaffected

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C. Exodus 8:23—The Wall of Redemption

1. Verses 20-23: No swarms of flies
2. 9:1-7: Cattle didn't die
3. 9:22-26: No hail
4. 10:21-23: Light in the land
5. Galatians 3:13: Separated from the curse
    a. Verse 9: "They which be of faith are blessed…."

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Word From the Lord Given to Kenneth Copeland

August 6, 2010

Everything Is Going to Be ALL-RIGHT in the Household of Faith

The world is in *serious* trouble. But for the household of faith and those who will cling to My Word and listen *very* carefully, and do this thing that I have demonstrated before you tonight, and night after night after night. You can do that. You can do it yourself. You can stand in your place and you can worship, and you can praise in the face of hell itself. And you can praise yourself into that place where you say, "Ha, ha, ha. Everything is going to be all right."

The world, I'll tell you again, is in *serious* trouble. Some very hard things are coming, in different places around the world. Very difficult times in a lot of places. They're that way now, but they'll not get better. They will continue to get worse and worse and worse. It is on a downhill run that the world cannot stop. But, for the household of faith, everything's going to be all right. Everything is going to be all right.

Oh, yeah—you'll have to make a stand. You'll have to fight the good fight of faith. But, when did you not have to do that? These are dangerous times. They're dangerous times financially. They're dangerous times in the earth because the earth is weighted under a *gross* weight of sin. There are things and places and situations underneath the earth, in the oceans, in the heavens. Things are being rattled and shaken. The earth is trying to break in different places.

Stand on My Word and it'll not come nigh you. Praise and worship My Name. Don't *feed* and *feed* fear and *feed* trouble into your life and into your mouth. No, no, no, no. Quit living in that house. Get on back over here in the household of faith. Feed on My Word, not on the bread of sorrow. Feed on My Word. Look in My face. Praise and worship. And praise and worship. In church, praise and worship and preach the Word. Praise and worship and preach the Word. Praise and worship and preach the Word. Everything's going to be all right.

For as I have said, and will continue to say until it becomes solid and strong in your spirit—your time has come. It is your time to excel. It is your time to do exceeding, extraordinary things in the financial world, in the medical world, in all of the areas where the world is in such dire trouble and so confused that they're confused beyond their ability to understand how confused they really are. And they're hurting because of it. They are crying out because of it. People are trying to take advantage of people because they're so confused and because they're so troubled.

And I'll tell you right now there are politicians and there are so-called business people and there are thieves and there are all kinds of demonic folks who are trying to take advantage of My people during a confusing time, and I will tell you right now, saith the Lord, you can write it down and you can know it for sure, I won't put up with it and I'll stop them from doing such a thing. And you are going to see some things happen.

Fear not. I have My eye on them. They will go so far and no further. Their end is already

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> determined. I'll not put up with it, saith the Lord of grace. I will not put up with it. They have pushed Me and pushed Me and invited Me out of their lives and their thinking and in many cases and many personalities and many people that are at the forefront of the news in this hour, I have already turned over to a disobedient, reprobate mind.
>
> I am the Lord and I will not have My people run roughshod over, My people who are crying out to Me. I utter My Word through my servant tonight and you make mark of it. But, everything is going to be all right in your house. Hallelujah. Amen.

I never have, until I heard that coming up in my spirit and then I saw it in the spirit, I saw the word *all right,* everything is going to be (spelled) "all-right." All-right.

Glory to God. Anything else, Lord, that You want to deliver? Praise God, Yes, Sir.

Now before you are seated, I want you to say to someone, "I believe that. Everything is going to be all-right." Take hold of it. Take hold of it. Everything is going to be ALL-RIGHT.

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Same Conditions—Different Results

Day #3

A. Jeremiah 17:5-8: Same Conditions—Different Results

1. The cursed man trusts himself; his heart is not toward God.
2. The result: no fruit, no hope, no future
3. The blessed man trusts God with his whole heart.
4. The result: thriving tree, roots deep, no fear, produces fruit
5. Verse 17:8 (MSG): "They're like trees replanted in Eden, putting down roots near the rivers. Never a worry through the hottest of summers, never dropping a leaf. Serene and calm through droughts, bearing fresh fruit every season."

B. Luke 6:46-49: Same Storm—Different Outcome

C. Confession

I am not moved by what I see.

I am not moved by what I hear.

I am not subject to the times.

I will keep obeying God.

I will keep tithing.

I will keep sowing seed.

I will keep walking by faith.

I will keep going to church.

I am separated from the curse of lack.

I am connected to THE BLESSING of Abraham.

I am thriving, flourishing, increasing, enlarging,
experiencing God's supernatural provision.

I call September...
PROSPERITY MONTH for my household.

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Word From the Lord Given to Charles Capps

February 1, 1978

Financial Inversion Shall Increase in These Days

Financial inversion shall increase in these days. For you see, it is My desire to move in the realm of your financial prosperity. But release Me, saith the Lord, release Me that I may come in your behalf and move on your behalf.

For yes, yes, yes, there shall be in this hour financial distress here and there. The economy shall go up and it will go down; but those that learn to walk in the Word, they shall see the prosperity of the Word come forth in this hour in a way that has not been seen by men in days past.

Yes, there's coming a financial inversion in the world's system. It's been held in reservoirs of wicked men for days on end. But the end is nigh. Those reservoirs shall be tapped and shall be drained into the gospel of Jesus Christ. It shall be done, saith the Lord. It shall be done in the time allotted and so shall it be that the word of the Lord shall come to pass that the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just.

Predominantly in two ways shall it be done in this hour. Those who have hoarded up and stored because of the inspiration of the evil one and held the money from the gospel shall be converted and drawn into the kingdom. But many, many will not. They'll not heed the voice of the Word of God. They'll turn aside to this and they'll turn to that and they'll walk in their own ways, but their ways will not work in this hour. It'll dwindle and it'll slip away as though it were in bags with holes in them. It'll go here and it'll go there and they'll wonder why it's not working now. "It worked in days past," they'll say.

But it shall be, saith the Lord, that the Word of the Lord shall rise within men—men of God of low esteem in the financial world—that shall claim the Word of God to be their very own and walk in the light of it as it has been set forth in the Word, and give. They'll begin to give small at first because that's all they have, but then it will increase, and through the hundredfold return, so shall it be that the reservoirs that have held the riches in days past, so shall it return to the hands of the giver. Because of the hundredfold return shall the reservoirs be lost from the wicked and turned to the gospel. For it shall be, it shall be in this hour that you will see things that you've never dreamed come to pass. Oh, it'll be strong at first in ways, then it will grow greater and greater until men will be astounded and the world will stand in awe because the ways of men have failed and the ways of God shall come forth.

As men walk in My Word, so shall they walk in the ways of the Lord. Oh yes, there will be some who say, "Yes, but God's ways are higher, surely higher than our ways, and we can't walk in those." It's true that the ways of God are higher. They are higher than your ways as the heavens are above the earth, but I'll teach you to walk in My ways. I never did say you couldn't walk in My ways. Now learn to walk in them. Learn to give. So shall the inversion of the financial system revert and so shall it be that the gospel of the kingdom shall be preached to all the world, and there shall be no lack in the kingdom. Those that give shall walk in the ways of the supernatural! They shall be known abroad. My Word shall spread and the knowledge of the Lord shall fill all the earth in the day and the hour in which ye stand. Ye shall see it and know it, for it is of Me, and it shall come to pass, saith the Lord.

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Thriving in the Midst of Famine

Day #4

A. Genesis 26:1—There Was a Famine in the Land

1. *Famine*
   a. Severe shortage
   b. Extreme scarcity
   c. Serious economic downturn
2. Dark time for those who…
   a. Don't know God
   b. Don't know their covenant with God
   c. Fear, panic, uncertainty, hopelessness
3. What the Word tells us about famine
   a. Job 5:20, 22 (NLT): "He will save you from death in time of famine…. You will laugh at destruction and famine."
   b. Psalm 33:18-19: "The eye of the Lord is upon them that fear him, upon them that hope in His mercy [NLT—rely on His unfailing love]; to deliver their soul from death, and to keep them alive in famine."
   c. Psalm 37:18-19: Even in famine they will have more than enough.
      i. HEB: "…He will supply until no more is needed."
4. In famine, we don't just survive—WE THRIVE!
   a. Prosper, flourish, succeed, advance
   b. Grow vigorously
   c. Increase in goods and estate
5. Proverbs 10:22: "The blessing of the Lord, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it."

B. Genesis 26—Isaac Thrived in Famine

1. Verses 1-6: Stay where you are—*obedience.*
   a. God needed him there.
   b. God needs us right here, right now.
   c. Zechariah 8:13 (NLT): "Among the other nations, Judah and Israel became symbols of a cursed nation. But no longer! Now, I will rescue you and *make you both a symbol and a source of blessing.* So don't be afraid. Be strong, and get on with rebuilding the temple!"
   d. We are a symbol of THE BLESSING
   e. We are a source of THE BLESSING
      i. Genesis 12:2-3 (AMPC): "I will make of you a great nation, and I will

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bless you [with abundant increase of favors] and make your name famous and distinguished, and you will be a blessing [dispensing good to others]…. In you will all the families and kindred of the earth be blessed [and by you they will bless themselves]."

ii. Psalm 21:6 (AMPC): "…You make him to be blessed and a blessing forever."

2. Verse 12: He sowed and received *in the same year* one hundredfold—and the Lord blessed him.
   a. *Unusual yield*—even in fertile regions, not greater than twenty-five to fiftyfold
   b. Psalm 65:11-13 (NLT): "You crown the year with a bountiful harvest; even the hard pathways overflow with abundance. The grasslands of the wilderness become a lush pasture, and the hillsides blossom with joy. The meadows are clothed with flocks of sheep, and the valleys are carpeted with grain. They all shout and sing for joy!"
   c. In the same year
3. Verse 13: Isaac waxed great, went forward and became very great.
   a. (NLT): He became a rich man and his wealth only continued to grow.
   b. He was thriving—flourishing, succeeding, advancing, growing vigorously, increasing in goods, estates, bulk and stature.
   c. He became stronger and more powerful in wealth and influence.
4. Verse 14: He had possessions of flocks of sheep, herds of cattle and a great store of servants.
   a. Philistines were jealous.
   b. They wanted to stop him.
5. Verses 22-24: He didn't give up—he wouldn't quit.
   a. *Rehobeth* (HEB) = room, streets, a broad and spacious place, an enlargement.
   b. (NLT): "…At last the Lord has created enough space for us prosper [thrive, flourish, succeed, advance and grow vigorously] in this land."

C. In Order to Thrive in Times of Famine, We Must Keep Doing What Isaac Did

1. Keep obeying God.
   a. Obedience is where THE BLESSING is
   b. Isaiah 1:19: "If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land."
2. Keep sowing seed.
   a. It is always a good time to sow into the kingdom of God
   b. Ecclesiastes 11:4 (AMPC): "He who observes the wind [and waits for all conditions to be favorable] will not sow, and he who regards the clouds will not reap."
3. Keep tithing.
   a. Isaac tithed—how do we know?
   b. Genesis 14:20: Abraham gave tithes of all.
   c. Genesis 18:19: "For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the Lord…."
4. Keep on walking by faith.
   a. Isaac didn't quit standing in faith.

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b. Hebrews 10:35 (AMPC): "Do not, therefore, fling away your fearless confidence, for it carries a great and glorious compensation of reward."
c. Galatians 6:9 (AMPC): "Let us not lose heart and grow weary and faint in acting nobly and doing right, for in due and at the appointed season we shall reap, if we do not loosen and relax our courage and faint."

5. Psalm 92:12-14: Keep attending church.
    a. Verse 12: "The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree: he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon."
    b. Verse 13: "Those that be planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God."
    c. Verse 14: "They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and flourishing."
        i. Our future is secure in Him.

D. Thriving In a Time of Famine—Confession

I am not moved by what I see.

I am not moved by what I hear.

I am going up higher.

I am going to keep obeying.

I am going to keep sowing.

I am going to keep believing.

I am going to keep receiving.

I am going to keep on walking by faith.

In a time of famine, we are thriving.

We are prospering.

We are flourishing.

We are succeeding.

We are advancing.

We are growing vigorously.

We are increasing.

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10 Days of Prosperity

Walking in the Fullness of The Blessing

Day #5

A. Romans 15:29—The Fullness of The Blessing

1. (GNB): I shall come with a full measure of The Blessing.
2. *Fullness* = Greek word *pleroma*
3. To be filled up, full, complete, to be fully furnished and liberally supplied
   a. Philippians 4:19 (AMPC) "My God will liberally supply (fill to the full) your every need according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus."
4. To fill to the top so that nothing is wanting; to fill to the brim so that nothing is lacking.
   a. Example of a ship fully manned with sailors, rowers and soldiers and fully loaded with supplies, freight and merchandise
5. *Plethora*—overabundance, excessive amount, superabundance

B. Genesis 1:27-28—A Quick Review of The Blessing

1. The very first words heard by a human ear, setting the course and precedent for God's perfect will for man
2. Man was empowered by The Blessing in order to:
   a. Be fruitful
   b. Multiply
   c. Replenish the earth
   d. Subdue the earth
   e. Have dominion over the earth
3. The Garden of Eden was a perfect demonstration of God's plan for this planet. It was a prototype of what He wanted the planet to look like. Adam's job was to exercise his God-given authority and expand that Garden until it encompassed the entire earth. That was what The Blessing was for.
4. It provided Adam with the power to carry on the work God began at Creation. It equipped him with the divine resources he needed to follow God's example. He was to transform the uncultivated parts of this planet into a veritable Garden of Eden by speaking faith-filled words. The Blessing empowered Adam to be The Blessing wherever he went. The Garden of Eden was literally inside Adam.
5. Jesus came to restore The Blessing that was lost at the Fall
   a. Jesus is The Blessing—the last Adam.
   b. Jesus—The Blessing—now is alive in us.
   c. We have been redeemed from the curse and now walk in The Blessing of Abraham.

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C. Galatians 3:13-14—Redeemed From the Curse to Walk in The Blessing

1. *Redeem*—to buy back, to buy out, to clear by payment
2. To free a person from captivity by paying a ransom
3. We have been freed from the curse of poverty.
    a. Lack
    b. Deficiency
    c. Not enough
    d. Shortage
4. We are redeemed from "paycheck-to-paycheck," just barely getting along.
5. Proverbs 10:22: "The blessing of the Lord, it maketh rich, and He addeth no sorrow with it."

D. Deuteronomy 28:1-14—Walking in the Fullness of The Blessing

1. Verse 2: All these blessings shall come on you and overtake you.
    a. Brenton: All these blessings shall come upon you and shall find you
    b. HEB = will reach you
2. Verse 8 (MSG): "God will order a blessing on your barns and workplaces…."
    a. CEV: "The Lord your God is giving you the land, and He will make sure you are successful in everything you do…."
3. Verse 11 (MSG): "God will lavish you with good things…."
    a. AMPC: "The Lord shall make you have a surplus of prosperity…."
    b. BBE: "The Lord will make you fertile in every good thing…."
    c. NRSV: "The Lord will make you abound in prosperity…."
4. Verse 12 (MSG): "God will throw open the doors of His sky vaults and pour rain on your land on schedule and bless the work you take in hand. You will lend to many nations but you yourself won't have to take out a loan."
    a. AMPC: "The Lord shall open to you His good treasury…."
    b. NLT: "The Lord will send rain at the proper time from His rich treasury in the heavens and will bless the work you do…."
    c. *Treasury* in the Hebrew = depository, armory
    d. BBE: He will open His storehouse in heaven.
    e. CEV: "The Lord will open the storehouses of the skies."
5. I am walking in the fullness of The Blessing,
   fully furnished and liberally supplied.
   Filled to the top—nothing wanting.
   Filled to the brim—nothing lacking.
   My ship is full and overflowing.
   The Blessing has come to me.
   The Blessing has overtaken me.
   I am walking in the superabundant,
   exceeding excess, fullness of The Blessing.

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10 Days of Prosperity

Our Relationship to Money

Day #6

A. The Role of Money in Our Lives

1. Money issues can be a source of stress and pressure.
2. They control lives, attitudes and emotions.
3. Some are slaves to money—driven to make it and keep it.
4. We must straighten out our relationship with money.
5. Goal: Financial Attitude Adjustment

B. Matthew 6:24-33—Settle This: I Serve God. Money Serves Me

1. Genesis 1:29: Seed was designed by God to serve us.
2. Psalm 104:14: Seed is for the service of man.
3. Mark 10:17-22: Example of a man serving money.
4. Mark 12:41-44: Example of money serving a woman.
    a. 2 Corinthians 9:6: This is what she did.

C. 1 Timothy 6:10, 17-19: How We Conduct Ourselves With Money

1. Verse 10: The love of money is the root of all evil.
2. We don't love money—we love God.
3. Verse 17: We don't trust money—we trust God.
4. Verse 18: We are givers of money—not takers.
5. Money is a tool to help others.

D. My Confession of Faith

I settle this issue right now.
I adjust my financial attitude.

I do not serve money.
I am not a slave to money.
I serve God.
Money serves me.

I do not work for money.
Money works for me.
Money doesn't control me—I control money.
Money doesn't rule me—I rule money.
Money doesn't dominate me—I dominate money.

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I fearlessly tithe as I am told.
I boldly give as I am led.
Money—you serve me.
Money—you obey me.
Money—you multiply, increase and produce maximum harvest.

Harvest—I command you to come to me now—in Jesus' Name!

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10 Days of Prosperity

Supernatural Provision

Day #7

A. Matthew 17:24-27—Money in a Fish's Mouth

1. Demonstration of supernatural provision—"Bring it on, birds!" Testimony Tommy Williams shared several years ago how he spoke to the birds to bring him money. Based upon 1 Kings 17, Tommy started finding money around the house after he went out and hollered at the birds.

   A 15-year-old was so impressed with this story that he decided to try it. He asked the Lord for $10 for missions.

   He went out, spoke to the birds and commanded them to put it in a tree in the backyard. The first day he discovered 65 cents, the second day $2.35, and the third day $7. Over the next two months, he found a total of $440 in the tree!
2. Foreign to natural man's thinking
3. Unusual, unlimited, accelerated supply from heaven
4. Supersedes the realm of impossibility
5. God has supernatural ways to fully supply every need in the face of lack, shortage and a bad economy.
   a. He makes the way when they say there is no way.

B. What We Must Do to Experience Supernatural Provision

1. Enlarge our capacity for supernatural provision
2. See God supernaturally supplying the need
3. Feed on the Word
4. Renew our minds
5. Exercise our faith

C. Faith-Building Scriptures for Supernatural Provision

1. James 1:17: "Every good gift and every perfect gift [AMPC—free, large, full] is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.
2. Ephesians 3:20-21 (AMPC): "Now to Him Who, by the [action of His] power that is at work within us, is able to [carry out His purpose and] do superabundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes or dreams]—to Him be glory in the church...."

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3. Philippians 4:19 (AMPC): "My God will liberally supply (fill to the full) your every need according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus."
    a. *Supply* in the Greek—fill up, make full, furnish liberally, fill to the top so that nothing shall be wanting, fill to the brim so that nothing shall be lacking
4. Psalm 68:19: "Blessed be the Lord, who daily loads us with benefits, even the God of our salvation."
5. Isaiah 55:1: "Every one that thirsteth, come to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price."

D. Examples of Supernatural Provision

1. Genesis 22:6-14: God supernaturally provided a ram for the sacrifice.
    a. Verse 14: Abraham called the name of that place, "The Lord will provide."
2. 1 Kings 17:1-6: God supernaturally provided ravens to bring food and drink to Elijah.
3. 1 Kings 17:8-16: God supernaturally provided a one-year supply of food for the widow in the midst of a famine.
    a. Verse 14: The barrel of meal and the bottle of oil would not be empty until the rain returned.
    b. Verse 15: She, he and her house did eat a full year.
    c. Verse 16 (NLT): No matter how much they used, there was always enough left over in the containers.
4. 2 Kings 4:1-7: God supernaturally provided supernatural debt cancellation for the widow.
    a. The woman kept pouring oil from a small pot into as many empty vessels as they could find.
5. 2 Kings 6:1-7: God supernaturally caused a borrowed, lost ax head to float to the surface of the water.
6. John 2:1-11: Jesus supernaturally turned water into wine.
    a. 180 gallons of wine
7. John 6:5-14: Jesus supernaturally multiplies the fish and loaves and feeds 20,000.
    a. Word from the Lord through Brother Copeland, "You are going to be the ones who God uses to supernaturally feed the lost when disasters come. Only, it is not going to be like it was in the past. In many cases, you are not even going to need the trucks and airplanes. In a lot of cases, you are just going to take one little meal and divide it and divide it and divide it."
    b. Jesus touched the loaves and fishes and they supernaturally multiplied.

E. Galatians 6:7-8—Sowing Is a Supernatural Action

1. "Those who give shall walk in the ways of the supernatural." —Kenneth Copeland
2. When you sow into the kingdom of God, you reap from the kingdom of God.
3. Giving and tithing are supernatural acts.
4. Expect to reap supernatural things.
5. There are many supernatural streams of provision and income available in God's kingdom—believe and receive!

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Supernatural Debt Cancellation

Day #8

A. Luke 4:14-21—Three Ways God Supernaturally Removes Debt

1. He provides the finances.
2. He removes the debt.
3. He moves upon others.

B. He Provides the Finances

1. 2 Kings 4:1-7 (NLT): "…Sell the olive oil and pay your debts, and you and your sons can live on what is left over."
2. Luke 5:1-11: Simon Peter's fishing business avoided bankruptcy after Jesus told him where to drop the nets.
3. Matthew 17:24-27: Taxes were paid from money in a fish's mouth.

C. He Removes the Debt

1. Nehemiah 5:1-13: Nehemiah cancelled the debts of the poor Jews.
2. Matthew 18:23-27: The king forgave his servant of the 10,000 talents.
3. Matthew 6:12: Key point—forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
4. Colossians 2:13-14 (AMPC): Jesus "cancelled and blotted out and wiped away the hand-writing of the note…with its legal decrees and demands. He set it aside and cleared it completely out of our way by nailing it to [His] cross."
5. Luke 16:1-7: He reduces the debt.
    a. EMIC testimony—debt reduced 75 percent (from $6,500 down to $1,600)

D. He Moves Upon Others

1. Philemon 18-19 (AMPC): "If he has done you any wrong in any way, or owes anything [to you], charge that to my account. I, Paul, write it with my own hand—I promise to pay it in full…."
2. Luke 10:30-37: The Samaritan took out two pence and gave them to the owner of the inn and said to him, "Take care of him. Whatever else you have to spend, I will pay it back in full when I return."
3. God is the One who moves upon a person—not you.
    a. Faith puts no pressure on others.
    b. Faith puts pressure on the Word of the covenant.
    c. Faith says, "God is my source."
    d. Luke 6:38: You give and it will be given to you.

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E. Word From the Lord Through Brother Copeland

1. The manifestation of The Blessing is at an all-time high. You are approaching a "Blessing manifestation of glory" that is an explosion in ways and intensity that the human race has never seen before.
2. The Blessing will surround you. The Blessing will incase you. You will learn to walk in the secret place of the Most High God, blessed in His Blessing, blessed in His glory, blessed in your comings, blessed in your goings and blessed in your pocketbook.
3. All debt will have to get up and leave you the way leprosy left the lepers of old.
4. Debt is financial sickness. It is financial leprosy. It is an attempt to do with the natural world's monies and abilities what I created The Blessing to do for you. Only, it is a burden and not a blessing. Debt is part of the curse.
5. If you will begin to confess the Word, you will be shocked and thrilled at how quickly you will have the glory arise and drive the debt out of your life.
6. If you will bring your tithe to Me and spend time with Me, tithing that tithe to Me, I will teach you and I will train you and I will show you how to be debt free. I will bless you beyond your means. I will bless you beyond your income. I will bless you beyond your salaries. I will bless you beyond anything you have ever known before. I will show you things that you have never heard of before.
7. You will take advantage of those things and be financially blessed. I will bring such a financial blessing upon you that you won't have any idea where it came from. It has come to an explosive place.
8. I am ready, saith the Lord, if you will begin to confess it, walk in it and make it a priority in your life. Then, the glory will manifest in the midst and you will give Me praise. I will come and visit you and together, we will have a grand time.

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10 Days of Prosperity

Making Withdrawals From Our Heavenly Account

Day #9

A. Philippians 4:14-19—The Bank of Heaven

1. There are bank accounts on earth.
    a. Philemon 18 (AMPC): "If he has done you any wrong in any way or owes anything [to you], charge that to my account."
    b. John 12:6 (AMPC): Judas had the "bag, the money box, the purse of the Twelve."
    c. 2 Chronicles 31:11: Hezekiah commanded [the people] to prepare chambers [in the Hebrew, *storehouses*] in the house of the Lord.
    d. You can have earthly accounts—just don't put your trust in them.
2. There are bank accounts in heaven.
    a. Matthew 6:19-21: They are not subject to theft, ruin, corruption or economic conditions of any kind.
    b. Luke 12:33—A treasure in heaven that fails not.
3. Many do not realize they already have an account in heaven.
4. The Philippians had established an account in heaven.
    a. Verse 15 (GOS): "No church but yours went into partnership and opened an account with us."
    b. They opened their account by giving.
5. Verse 17 (AMPC): Not that I seek or am eager for [your] gift, but I do seek and am eager for the fruit which increases to your credit [the harvest of blessing that is accumulating to your account]."
    a. CON: I seek fruit which accrues to your account.
    b. TCNT: I am anxious to see abundant returns placed to your account.
    c. MOFFAT: I am anxious for the interest that accumulates to your divine account.
    d. NASB: I seek for the profit which increases to your account.
    e. NJB: What I value most is the interest that is mounting up in your account.

B. Matthew 6:19-21—Making Deposits

1. *Lay up*—make deposits
2. Malachi 3:10: Tithing
3. Mark 10:29-30: Investing in the gospel
4. Proverbs 19:17: Giving to the poor
    a. Matthew 19:21: "Go and sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven."
5. 1 Chronicles 16:29: Giving as a praise to God

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C. 1 Timothy 6:17-19—Making Withdrawals

Kenneth and Gloria Copeland were living in Tulsa, Okla. He was a preacher without a place to preach and driving a worn-out car with 95,000 "hard" miles. They had children to take care of and college to pay for. Up until this point, their financial track record was not good at all.

They owed people with no apparent way to ever pay them back.

But after hearing Kenneth E. Hagin preach about faith from Mark 11:23, they decided to take action. They gathered all their debts. They listed every person and the amount owed. They calculated in great detail what it would take for them to operate their household. They included a 15% pad in their budget for extras. They determined what they needed in their immediate future. All of this information was written on paper in a formal prayer of agreement.

Days went by before they would sign their names to the agreement. They prayed and fasted. They repented before God for not being a good representative of the Lord Jesus Christ. They agreed together according to Romans 13:8 that they would never borrow another dime. They committed to God that they would pay back everyone they owed. They continued to make deposits into their heavenly account by faithfully tithing and sowing seed.

They released their faith and made a withdrawal from their heavenly bank account.

This process took time, effort, prayer, focus and diligence. They saturated themselves with God's Word and cut off every voice of the world—no TV or newspapers—just the Word of God.

Praise God—twelve months from that day, every debt was paid in full and every need was completely met.

D. Seven-Point Bank of Heaven Withdrawal

1. Decide on the amount you need (James 1:5-8).
    a. Be exact and single-minded.
    b. Write it down.
    c. List your needs, debts and desires.
2. Get in agreement with people of like faith (Matthew 18:19-20).
3. Claim what you need by faith (Mark 11:23-24).
4. Bind the devil and his forces (Matthew 18:18).
    a. "Satan, take your hands off my money!"
5. Loose the angels to go get it (Hebrews 1:4).
    a. "Ministering spirits—go get my money!"
6. Continually praise God for it (Psalm 34:1).
7. Avoid strife and unforgiveness (James 3:16; Mark 11:25-26).

E. Sample Prayer of Agreement

"Father, in the Name of Jesus, we make a withdrawal of $_____ from our heavenly bank account. We have this money in our account and we are withdrawing this amount now. We believe we receive $_____. As in Mark 11:23-24, we believe it in our hearts and confess now that it is ours in the Name of Jesus. We agree that we have this amount according to Matthew 18:19. From this day forward, we roll the care of this over on to You and thank You for it. Satan, we take authority over you; we bind your operation now and render you helpless. Ministering spirits, we charge you to go forth and cause this amount to come to us according to Hebrews 1:14. Father, we praise Your Name for meeting our needs according to Your riches in glory by Christ Jesus, and for multiplying our seed for sowing, in the Name of Jesus."

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10 Days of Prosperity

Call In Your Harvest

Day #10

A. Word from Keith Moore to EMIC About Harvesting—9/28/99

1. Concerning EMIC's giving, God's heart is grieved. It is bothering God that we are not reaping. People are deceived in their thinking if they are just waiting on God to bring it to them.
2. Some are disillusioned and aggravated with God. "How much more can I give?" You think you are waiting on God. You think reaping is automatic. You think once you put the money in, it's all up to Him. You just sit back and relax and think it's all going to just come on you. That is ignorance and confusion.
3. I challenge you to hear the word of the Lord and make up your mind. "I am not just a good giver. I am a good reaper. I am going to get real good at reaping."
4. Proverbs 10: 4-5: "He becometh poor that dealeth with a slack hand: but the hand of the diligent maketh rich. He that gathereth in summer is a wise son: but he that sleepeth in harvest is a son that causeth shame."
5. We can't sleep through our harvest or allow our harvest to stand in the field.

B. Mark 4:26-29—Harvesting Is Our Responsibility

1. The man did the sowing, God gave the increase and the man did the reaping.
2. Proverbs 6:6-8: "Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise: which having no guide, overseer, or ruler, provideth her meat in the summer, and gathereth her food in the harvest."
3. Ecclesiastes 11:4: "He that observeth the wind shall not sow; and he that regardeth the clouds shall not reap."
4. Galatians 6:7-9: "Be not deceived; God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. 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. And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not."
5. Ecclesiastes 3:1-2 (NLT): "For everything there is a season, a time for every activity under heaven. A time to be born and a time to die. A time to plant and a time to harvest."

C. How to Reap Your Harvest

1. A preacher was struggling financially. Physically, he was well and strong. He had powerful demonstrations of the spirit. The ministry was growing. The only area of trouble was

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in the financial realm. He took time to fast and pray, seeking the Lord to find out why. The Lord told him that he was not in faith where his finances were concerned. He told him that he had to receive his finances the same way he received his healing—by faith.

2. We call in our harvest by faith.
3. Isaiah 41:15: "I will make thee a new sharp threshing instrument having teeth…."
    a. *Teeth* in the Hebrew = mouths
    b. Mouths harvest whatever they speak.
4. Our words of faith bring in the harvest.
5. Command the angels to go get our harvest.
    a. Hebrews 1:14: "Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?"
    b. Matthew 13:39: The reapers are the angels.
    c. Psalm 103:20: "Bless the Lord, ye his angels, that excel in strength, that do His commandments, harkening unto the voice of his word."

EMIC Prosperity Confession

We believe we receive…

Jobs or better jobs
Raises and bonuses
Benefits
Sales and commissions
Settlements
Estates and inheritances
Interest and income
Rebates and returns
Checks in the mail
Gifts and surprises
Lost money found
Bills paid off
Debts demolished
And royalties received.

This is my year of overflow!
I expect more out of heaven
than ever before.
I receive my harvest
by faith in Jesus' Name.

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10 More Days of Prosperity

Not Subject to the Times

Day #11

A. We Are Not Subject to the Times

1. We are not subject to, nor do we live under, the dominion, rule, control or influence of whichever way the economy and the world system are going at the moment.
2. Our times are subject to the authority of the Word, the blood and the Name of Jesus spoken and acted upon by the believer.
3. The times are subject to us.
4. We are subject to and governed by another economy and another system—the kingdom of God.
5. We live in the secret place.
    a. Psalm 27:1-6: "In the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion…."
    b. Psalm 32:6-7: "Thou art my hiding place…."
    c. Psalm 31:14-15: "My times are in thy hand…."

B. John 17:13-22—We Are Separated From the World's Failing System

1. We are to thrive and not just survive.
    a. *Survive*—barely get by, merely exist
    b. *Thrive*—flourish, succeed, advance, prosper
2. Verse 14: We are not of this world's system.
3. Verse 15: "…Keep them from the evil."
    a. Matthew 6:13: "Deliver us from evil…."
    b. Galatians 1:4: "…Deliver us from this present evil world."
    c. 1 John 5:18: "…That wicked one toucheth him not."
    d. 1 Corinthians 10:13: God has made a way to escape.
4. Verse 17: Sanctified from the world through the Word
    a. *Sanctified*—separated and cut away from the effects of
    b. Romans 8:2: "The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free [has separated me] from the law of sin and death."
5. We thrive and prosper in tough times.
    a. We are not subject to the economy.
    b. We flourish in spite of what is happening.
    c. Untouched and unaffected

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C. Exodus 8:23—The Wall of Redemption

1. Verses 20-23: No swarms of flies
2. 9:1-7: Cattle didn't die
3. 9:22-26: No hail
4. 10:21-23: No darkness in the land
5. Galatians 3:13: Separated from the curse
    a. Verse 9: "They which be of faith are blessed…."

D. Jeremiah 17:5-8—Same Conditions, Different Results

1. The cursed man trusts himself, his heart is not toward God.
2. The result: no fruit, no hope, no future
3. The blessed man trusts God with his whole heart.
4. The result: thriving tree, roots deep, no fear, produces fruit
5. Verse 8 (MSG): "They're like trees replanted in Eden, putting down roots near the rivers—never a worry through the hottest of summers, never dropping a leaf, serene and calm through droughts, bearing fresh fruit every season."

E. Genesis 26:1—Isaac Sowed in Famine and Reaped a Hundredfold

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Flourishing in the Household of Faith

Day #12

A. Everything Is Going to Be ALL-RIGHT in the Household of Faith

Word from the Lord through Brother Copeland, August 6, 2010

The world is in *serious* trouble. But for the household of faith and those who will cling to My Word and listen *very* carefully, and do this thing that I have demonstrated before you tonight, and night after night after night. You can do that. You can do it yourself. You can stand in your place and you can worship, and you can praise in the face of hell itself. And you can praise yourself into that place where you say, "Ha, ha, ha. Everything is going to be all right."

The world, I'll tell you again, is in *serious* trouble. Some very hard things are coming, in different places around the world. Very difficult times in a lot of places. They're that way now, but they'll not get better. They will continue to get worse and worse and worse. It is on a downhill run that the world cannot stop. But, for the household of faith, everything's going to be all right. Everything is going to be all right.

Oh yeah—you'll have to make a stand. You'll have to fight the good fight of faith. But, when did you not have to do that? These are dangerous times. They're dangerous times financially. They're dangerous times in the earth because the earth is weighted under a *gross* weight of sin. There are things and places and situations underneath the earth, in the oceans, in the heavens. Things are being rattled and shaken. The earth is trying to break in different places.

Stand on My Word and it'll not come nigh you. Praise and worship My Name. Don't *feed* and *feed* fear and *feed* trouble into your life and into your mouth. No, no, no, no. Quit living in that house. Get on back over here in the household of faith. Feed on My Word, not on the bread of sorrow. Feed on My Word. Look in My face. Praise and worship. And praise and worship. In church, praise and worship and preach the Word. Praise and worship and preach the Word. Praise and worship and preach the Word. Everything's going to be all right.

For as I have said, and will continue to say until it becomes solid and strong in your spirit—your time has come. It is your time to excel. It is your time to do exceeding, extraordinary things in the financial world, in the medical world, in all of the areas where the world is in such dire trouble and so confused that they're confused beyond their ability to understand how confused they really are. And they're hurting because of it. They are crying out because of it.

B. Psalm 92:12-15: "The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree: he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon. Those that be planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God. They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and flourishing; to show that the Lord is upright: he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him."

1. *Flourish* (Hebrew) = to flower, blossom, bloom, break through, spread out

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2. Enter into a state of prosperity
3. Increase in wealth, favor and honor
4. Grow vigorously and exuberantly, enlarge and expand
5. Become extremely successful

C. **Proverbs 14:11:** "The house of the wicked shall be overthrown; but the tabernacle of the upright shall flourish."

D. **Psalm 52:8:** "I am like a green olive tree in the house of God: I trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever."

1. *Green* (Hebrew) = flourishing

E. **Psalm 112:3:** "Wealth and riches shall be in his house: and his righteousness endureth for ever."

F. **Jeremiah 17:7-8:** "Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is. For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters, and that spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit."

1. Leaf shall be green—prospering, thriving, flourishing
2. NLT: "…Their leaves stay green [and flourishing], and they never stop producing fruit."
3. MSG: "…They're like trees replanted in Eden, putting down roots near the rivers—never a worry through the hottest of summers, never dropping a leaf, serene and calm through droughts, bearing fresh fruit every season."

G. **Psalm 36:7-9 (AMPC):** "How precious is Your steadfast love, O God! The children of men take refuge and put their trust under the shadow of Your wings. They relish and feast on the abundance of Your house; and You cause them to drink of the stream of Your pleasures. For with You is the fountain of life; in Your light do we see light."

H. **Song of Solomon 2:4:** "He brought me to the banqueting house, and his banner over me was love."

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

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10 More Days of Prosperity

Supernatural Wealth Transfer

Day #13

A. Financial Inversion Shall Increase in These Days

Word from the Lord through Charles Capps, February 1, 1978

Financial inversion shall increase in these days. For you see, it is My desire to move in the realm of your financial prosperity. But release Me, saith the Lord, release Me that I may come in your behalf and move on your behalf.

For yes, yes, yes, there shall be in this hour financial distress here and there. The economy shall go up and it will go down; but those who learn to walk in the Word, they shall see the prosperity of the Word come forth in this hour in a way that has not been seen by men in days past.

Yes, there's coming a financial inversion in the world's system. It's been held in reservoirs of wicked men for days on end. But the end is nigh. Those reservoirs shall be tapped and shall be drained into the gospel of Jesus Christ. It shall be done, saith the Lord. It shall be done in the time allotted and so shall it be that the Word of the Lord shall come to pass that the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just.

Predominantly in two ways shall it be done in this hour. Those who have hoarded up and stored because of the inspiration of the evil one and held the money from the gospel shall be converted and drawn into the kingdom. But many, many will not. They'll not heed the voice of the Word of God. They'll turn aside to this and they'll turn to that and they'll walk in their own ways, but their ways will not work in this hour. It'll dwindle and it'll slip away as though it were in bags with holes in them. It'll go here and it'll go there and they'll wonder why it's not working now. "It worked in days past," they'll say.

But it shall be, saith the Lord, that the Word of the Lord shall rise within men—men of God of low esteem in the financial world—who shall claim the Word of God to be their very own and walk in the light of it as it has been set forth in the Word, and give. They'll begin to give small at first because that's all they have, but then it will increase, and through the hundredfold return, so shall it be that the reservoirs that have held the riches in days past, so shall it return to the hands of the giver. Because of the hundredfold return shall the reservoirs be lost from the wicked and turned to the gospel. For it shall be, it shall be in this hour that you will see things that you've never dreamed come to pass. Oh, it'll be strong at first in ways, then it will grow greater and greater until men will be astounded and the world will stand in awe because the ways of men have failed and the ways of God shall come forth.

As men walk in My Word, so shall they walk in the ways of the Lord. Oh yes, there will be some who say, "Yes, but God's ways are higher, surely higher than our ways, and we can't walk in those." It's true that the ways of God are higher. They are higher than your ways as the heavens are above the earth, but I'll teach you to walk in My ways. I never did say you couldn't walk in My ways. Now learn to walk in them. Learn to give. So shall the inversion of the financial system revert and so shall it be that the gospel of the kingdom shall be preached to all the world, and there shall be

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no lack in the kingdom. Those who give shall walk in the ways of the supernatural! They shall be known abroad. My Word shall spread and the knowledge of the Lord shall fill all the earth in the day and the hour in which ye stand. Ye shall see it and know it, for it is of Me, and it shall come to pass, saith the Lord.

B. Proverbs 13:22—The Wealth of the Sinner Is Laid Up for the Just

1. AMPC: "…The wealth of the sinner [finds its way eventually] into the hands of the righteous, for whom it was laid up."

C. Job 27:16-17 (NIV): "Though he heaps up silver like dust and clothes like piles of clay, what he lays up the righteous will wear, and the innocent will divide his silver."

1. NLT: "Evil people may have piles of money and may store away mounds of clothing. But the righteous will wear that clothing, and the innocent will divide that money."
2. Verse 19 (NLT): "The wicked go to bed rich but wake to find that all their wealth is gone."

D. Ecclesiastes 2:26 (NIV): "To the person who pleases him, God gives wisdom, knowledge and happiness, but to the sinner he gives the task of gathering and storing up wealth to hand it over to the one who pleases God…."

1. NLT: "…If a sinner becomes wealthy, God takes the wealth away and gives it to those who please Him."

E. Proverbs 28:8 (NLT): "Income from charging high interest rates will end up in the pocket of someone who is kind to the poor."

F. Psalm 105:37 (AMPC): "He brought [Israel] forth also with silver and gold, and there was not one feeble person among their tribes."

1. *Feeble* (Hebrew) = there was not one pauper among their tribes.
2. *Pauper*
   a. An extremely poor person
   b. A person without any means of support
   c. A destitute person who depends on aid from public welfare funds or charity
3. *Tehillim* Commentary
   a. Rabbi Eliezer the Great taught: The lowliest among the children of Israel brought ninety donkeys laden with silver and gold when he left Egypt.
   b. The pauper is a man who has become impoverished and stumbled from his original financial level. No Jew who left Egypt could be described as a pauper because all were enriched by the possessions of their oppressors.
   c. Ibn Yachya and Sforno describe the pauper as a man whose health has deteriorated to the point that he stumbles unless he uses a cane. When the Jews left Egypt, a miracle occurred—not a single person among them was sick or debilitated.

G. Psalm 105:43 (AMPC): "He brought forth his people with joy, and his chosen ones with gladness and singing."

1. *Tehillim* Commentary
   a. God did not merely load their saddlebags with material wealth.
   b. He filled their hearts with spiritual wealth.
   c. The redeemed ones reaped a rich harvest of faith, the outgrowth of the wonders they beheld.
   d. This filled their hearts with mirth and their mouths with song.

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10 More Days of Prosperity

Supernatural Increase and Multiplication

Day #14

A. **Psalm 115:12-16:** "The Lord hath been mindful of us: he will bless us; he will bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house of Aaron. He will bless them that fear the Lord, both small and great. The Lord shall increase you more and more, you and your children. Ye are blessed of the Lord which made heaven and earth. The heaven, even the heavens, are the Lord's: but the earth hath he given to the children of men."

B. **Shall Increase You More and More (HEB)** = Continue to add, over and above

C. **Psalm 67:5-7:** "Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee. Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us. God shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear him."

1. MSG: "You mark us with blessing, O God…."

D. **Psalm 85:12:** "Yea, the Lord shall give that which is good; and our land shall yield her increase."

E. **Leviticus 26:4:** "Then I will give you rain in due season, and the land shall yield her increase, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit."

1. Leviticus 26:9 (AMPC): "For I will be leaning toward you with favor and regard for you, rendering you fruitful, multiplying you, and establishing and ratifying My covenant with you."

F. **Genesis 26:12-14 (NLT):** "When Isaac planted his crops that year, he harvested a hundred times more grain than he planted, for the Lord blessed him. He became a very rich man, and his wealth continued to grow. He acquired so many flocks of sheep and goats, herds of cattle, and servants that the Philistines became jealous of him."

G. **Job 42:12 (NIV):** "The Lord blessed the latter part of Job's life more than the former part. He had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a thousand yoke of oxen and a thousand donkeys."

H. **2 Corinthians 9:10 (NLT):** "For God is the one who provides seed for the farmer and then bread to eat. In the same way, he will provide and increase your resources and then produce a great harvest of generosity in you."

I. **Proverbs 9:11:** "For by me thy days shall be multiplied, and the years of thy life shall be increased."

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Jehovah Jireh—Our Supernatural Provider

Day #15

Our God has unlimited avenues and unusual ways of providing that extend beyond our natural limitations.

A. Genesis 22:1-14: Jehovah Jireh—the Lord will provide

1. Verse 14: "And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovah-jireh: as it is said to this day, In the mount of the Lord it shall be seen."
2. Verse 14 (CEV): "Abraham named that place, 'The Lord Will Provide.' And even now people say, 'On the mountain of the Lord it will be provided.'"

B. Leviticus 26:4-5, 9-10 (AMPC): "I will give you rain in due season, and the land shall yield her increase and the trees of the field yield their fruit. And your threshing [time] shall reach to the vintage and the vintage [time] shall reach to the sowing time, and you shall eat your bread to the full and dwell in your land securely. …For I will be leaning toward you with favor and regard for you, rendering you fruitful, multiplying you, and establishing and ratifying My covenant with you. And you shall eat the [abundant] old store of produce long kept, and clear out the old [to make room] for the new."

1. Verse 10 (NLT): "You will have such a surplus of crops that you will need to get rid of the leftovers from the previous year to make room for each new harvest."
2. Verse 10 (NIV): "You will still be eating last year's harvest when you will have to move it out to make room for the new."

C. Deuteronomy 28:8, 11-12 (AMPC): "The Lord shall command the blessing upon you in your storehouse and in all that you undertake. And He will bless you in the land which the Lord your God gives you. …And the Lord shall make you have surplus of prosperity, through the fruit of your body, of your livestock, and of your ground, in the land which the Lord swore to your fathers to give you. The Lord shall open to you His good treasury, the heavens to give the rain of your land in its season and to bless all the work of your hands; and you shall lend to many nations, but you shall not borrow."

D. 1 Samuel 2:8 (AMPC): "He raises up the poor out of the dust and lifts up the needy from the ash heap [NLT—garbage dump], to make them sit with nobles and inherit the throne of glory. For the pillars of the earth are the Lord's, and He has set the world upon them."

1. *The glory of God*—the presence of God heavy with everything good

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E. **Psalm 23:1, 5 (AMPC):** "The Lord is my Shepherd [to feed, guide, and shield me], I shall not lack.… You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my [brimming] cup runs over."

F. **Psalm 34:10 (AMPC):** "The young lions lack food and suffer hunger, but they who seek (inquire of and require) the Lord [by right of their need and on the authority of His Word], none of them shall lack any beneficial thing."

G. **Psalm 36:7-9 (AMPC):** "How precious is Your steadfast love, O God! The children of men take refuge and put their trust under the shadow of Your wings. They relish and feast on the abundance of Your own house; and You cause them to drink of the stream of Your pleasures. For with You is the fountain of life; in Your light do we see light." (NLT—the light by which we see)

H. **Psalm 66:12:** "Thou hast caused men to ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water: but thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place."

I. **Psalm 68:19:** "Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation. Selah."

   1. Psalm 103:2 (AMPC): "Bless (affectionately, gratefully praise) the Lord, O my soul: and forget not [one of] all His benefits."

J. **Psalm 85:12 (AMPC):** "Yes, the Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase."

   1. NLT: "Yes, the Lord pours down His blessings. Our land will yield its bountiful harvest."

K. **Psalm 115:14-15:** "The Lord shall increase you more and more, you and your children. Ye are blessed of the Lord which made heaven and earth."

L. **Malachi 3:10 (AMPC):** "Bring all the tithes (the whole tenth of your income) into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house, and prove Me now by it, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

M. **2 Corinthians 9:8-12 (AMPC):** "And God is able to make all grace (every favor and earthly blessing) come to you in abundance, so that you may always and under all circumstances and whatever the need be self sufficient [possessing enough to require no aid or support and furnished in abundance for every good work and charitable donation]. As it is written, He [the benevolent person] scatters abroad; He gives to the poor; His deeds of justice and goodness and kindness and benevolence will go on and endure forever! And [God] who provides [KJV = ministers] seed for the sower and bread for eating will also provide and multiply your [resources for] sowing and increase the fruits of your righteousness [which manifests itself in active goodness, kindness and charity]. Thus you will be enriched in all things and in every way, so that you can be generous and [your generosity as it is] administered by us will bring forth thanksgiving to God. For the service that the ministering of this fund renders does not only fully supply what is lacking to the saints (God's people), but it also overflows in many [cries of] thanksgiving to God."

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N. Philippians 4:19 (AMPC/Greek paraphrase): My God will liberally supply, fill to the full, cram, furnish, satisfy, finish and complete all of your needs, employment, requirements, lack and business according to His riches, His wealth, His money and His possessions in glory by Christ Jesus.

O. **1 Timothy 6:17 (AMPC):** "As for the rich in this world, charge them not to be proud, arrogant and contemptuous of others, nor to set their hopes on uncertain riches, but on God, Who richly and ceaselessly provides us with everything for [our] enjoyment."

P. **2 Peter 1:3:** "…His divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue."

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10 More Days of Prosperity

Our Covenant of Wealth

Day #16

A. 2 Chronicles 16:9: "For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him."

1. *Show Himself strong* (HEB) = bestow, grant, extend His covenant wealth
2. Our covenant with God is His total commitment to support, defend, protect and provide.
3. God's consuming passion and determination is to locate His covenant people and bless them.
4. It is an undying covenant devotion that propels Him to extend Himself to us with everything He is and with everything He has.
5. It is a covenant love that won't give up or quit until the extension of that love is satisfied.
    a. 2 Samuel 9:1-3: David was consumed with locating an heir of Jonathan to bestow covenant wealth upon.
    b. The eyes of David ran to and fro throughout the whole earth searching for an heir of his covenant brother to lavish covenant wealth upon.
    c. How much more is God searching for us!

B. Deuteronomy 8:18—God Gives Us the Power to Get Wealth in Order to Establish His Covenant With Us and His Covenant on Earth

1. NLT: "Remember the Lord your God. He is the one who gives you power to be successful, in order to fulfill the covenant He confirmed to your ancestors with an oath."
2. Prosperity is a sign of our covenant with God.
3. Zechariah 8:13 (NLT): "…I will rescue you and will make you both a symbol and a source of blessing."
4. Genesis 17:1-8: God covenanted with Abraham to make him rich.
5. Galatians 3:13-14, 29—We are heirs of the covenant.
    a. Verse 29: "And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise."

C. "Covenant of Wealth" Scriptures

1. Deuteronomy 28:2: "And all these [covenant] blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee…."
    a. *Brenton:* "All these blessings shall come upon you and shall find you…."
    b. HEB: "All these blessings shall reach you…."
2. Deuteronomy 28:11: "And the Lord shall make thee plenteous in goods…."
    a. MSG: "God will lavish you with good things…."

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   b. AMPC: "He will make you to have a surplus of prosperity…."
3. Ecclesiastes 5:19 (NLT): "And it is a good thing to receive wealth from God and the good health to enjoy it."
4. Genesis 15:1: "Fear not Abram: I am your shield and your exceeding great reward."
   a. AMPC: "I am your Shield, your abundant compensation, and your reward shall be exceedingly great."
   b. HEB: "I am your rapidly increasing money supply."
5. Hebrews 10:35: "Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompense of reward."
   a. Recompense of reward (GK) MISTHA-PODOSIA
      i. MISTHA = pay, salary, money, repay a debt, payment of wages due
      ii. PODOS = feet
   b. Money is coming on feet in your direction.
   c. "Money cometh to me now!"
6. Psalm 68:19: "Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits.
   a. *Darby:* "Blessed be the Lord: day by day He loads us with good."
   b. DRB: "Blessed be the Lord day by day: the God of our salvation will make our journey prosperous to us."
7. Psalm 103:2 (AMPC): "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not one of all His (covenant) benefits."

D. What the Word Tells Us About Famine

1. Job 5:20, 22 (NLT): "He will save you from death in time of famine…. You will laugh at destruction and famine."
2. Psalm 33:18-19: "Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon them that fear him, upon them that hope in His mercy [NLT—rely on His unfailing love]; to deliver their soul from death, and to keep them alive in famine."
3. Psalm 37:18-19: Even in famine they will have more than enough.
   a. HEB: He will supply until no more is needed.
4. In famine, we don't just survive—WE THRIVE!
   a. Prosper, flourish, succeed, advance
   b. Grow vigorously
   c. Increase in goods and estate

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The Floodgates of Heaven

Day #17

A. Malachi 3:10-12—Bring Ye All the Tithes

1. Verse 10: "…Open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."
2. *Brenton:* "…See if I will not open to you the torrents of heaven, and pour out my blessing upon you, until ye are satisfied."
3. CEV: "…I will open the windows of heaven and flood you with blessing after blessing."
4. DRB: "…If I open not unto you the flood-gates of heaven, and pour you out a blessing even to abundance."
5. NIV: "…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."

B. Genesis 7:11-12, 17-20—The Floodgates of Heaven

1. Verse 11: The windows of heaven were opened (HEB)—floodgates
2. *Blessing* (HEB) = abundant, liberal, excessive prosperity
3. Verse 17-20: Replace the word *waters* with *The Blessing*.
   a. Verse 17: "And the flood was forty days upon the earth; and [The Blessing (the abundant, liberal, excessive prosperity)] increased, and bare up the ark, and it was lift up above the earth."
   b. Verse 18: "And [The Blessing] prevailed, and was increased greatly upon the earth; and the ark went upon the face of [The Blessing]."
   c. Verse 19: "And [The Blessing] prevailed exceedingly upon the earth; and all the high hills, that were under the whole heaven, were covered [with The Blessing]."
   d. Verse 20: "[Twenty-two and a half feet] upward did [The Blessing] prevail; and the mountains were covered [with The Blessing]."
4. The Blessing covers 22 1/2 feet from the highest peak with abundant, liberal, excessive prosperity.
5. Believe for a constant, steady, nonstop outpouring of God's abundant, liberal, excessive prosperity.

C. Ezekiel 34:25-27—Showers of Blessing

1. "I will make with them a covenant of peace, and will cause the evil beasts to cease out of the land: and they shall dwell safely in the wilderness, and sleep in the woods. And I will make them and the places around my hill a blessing; and I will cause the shower to come down in his season; there shall be showers of blessing. And the tree of the field shall

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yield her fruit, and the earth shall yield her increase, and they shall be safe in their land, and shall know that I am the Lord."

2. Not the "light shower" that religion has taught
3. *Shower* (HEB) = to shower, rain and pour down violently
4. *Shower*
    a. A falling of things from the air in thick succession
    b. A copious supply—abundant, plentiful, full, rich
    c. A falling of things in great and large quantities
5. When we tithe, we should be expecting a nonstop downpour and torrent of abundant, liberal, excessive prosperity and provision coming down violently in thick succession from the floodgates of heaven!

D. The Effects of Tithing

1. The tithe protects our money.
2. Tithing places us under warranty.
3. Tithing extends our warranty.

E. The Effects of a Flood

1. A dam contains the water.
2. When the dam breaks, the water is no longer contained—uncontainable.
3. It saturates everything.
4. "Not a trickle, not a stream, not a river but a flood." —Oral Roberts
5. The tithe places us in "flood stage."

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God's Favor and Wealth

Day #18

A. What Is the Favor of God?

1. *Favor* is the same word for *grace*—God's kindness and help extended toward us.
2. Promotion, restoration, honor, victory, recognition, preferential treatment and supernatural increase in assets and real estate.
3. The favor of God is God personally acting on your behalf doing for you whatever it takes for you to prosper, thrive, flourish and be the success you were created to be.
4. The favor of God will cause people to go out of their way to bless you, provide for you, help you, assist you and make special concessions just for you.
5. The favor of God will make a way where there is no way, open doors where there are no doors, provide where there is no provision and do the impossible in the midst of the most impossible situations.

B. The Favor of God Will Increase Assets and Real Estate

1. Psalm 84:11 (AMPC): "The Lord God is a Sun and Shield; the Lord bestows [present] grace and favor and [future] glory! No good thing will He withhold from those who walk uprightly."
2. Psalm 44:3: "They got not the land in possession by their own sword, neither did their own arm save them: but thy right hand, and thine arm, and the light of thy countenance, because thou hadst a favour unto them."
3. Deuteronomy 33:23: "And of Naphtali he said, O Naphtali, satisfied with favour, and full with the blessing of the Lord: possess thou the west and the south."
    a. NLT: "…You are rich in favor and full of the Lord's blessings: may you possess the west and the south."
4. Exodus 3:21: "I will give this people favour in the sight of the Egyptians: and it shall come to pass, that, when ye go, ye shall not go empty."
    a. NLT: "…I will see to it that the Egyptians treat you well. They will load you down with gifts so you will not leave empty-handed."
5. Genesis 39:1-6: "And Joseph was brought down to Egypt; and Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, captain of the guard, an Egyptian, bought him of the hands of the Ishmaelites, which had brought him down thither. And the Lord was with Joseph, and he was a prosperous man; and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian. And his master saw that the Lord was with him, and that the Lord made all that he did to prosper in his hand. And Joseph found grace in his sight, and he served him: and he made him overseer over his house, and all that he had he put into his hand. And it came to pass from

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the time that he had made him overseer in his house, and over all that he had, that the Lord blessed the Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake; and the blessing of the Lord was upon all that he had in the house, and in the field. And he left all that he had in Joseph's hand; and he knew not aught he had, save the bread which he did eat. And Joseph was a goodly person, and well favoured."

C. Today Is the Day of God's Favor

1. Luke 4:18-21 (AMPC): "The Spirit of the Lord [is] upon Me, because He has anointed Me [the Anointed One, the Messiah] to preach the good news (the Gospel) to the poor; He has sent Me to announce release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to send forth as delivered those who are oppressed [who are downtrodden, bruised, crushed, and broken down by calamity], to proclaim the accepted and acceptable year of the Lord [the day when salvation and the free favors of God profusely abound]. Then He rolled up the book and gave it back to the attendant and sat down; and the eyes of all in the synagogue were gazing [attentively] at Him. And He began to speak to them: Today this Scripture has been fulfilled while you are present and hearing."
2. Psalm 5:12: The favor of God surrounds us.
3. Proverbs 14:9: The favor of God is among us.
4. Luke 2:14 (NIV): The favor of God rests upon us.
5. Genesis 12:2 (AMPC): God blesses us with an abundant increase of His favors.

D. Say, "The favor of God is working on my behalf!"

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The Blessing of the Lord Makes Rich

Day #19

A. Proverbs 10:22—The Blessing of the Lord, It Makes Rich, and He Adds No Sorrow With It

1. AMPC: "The Blessing of the Lord—it makes [truly] rich, and He adds no sorrow with it [neither does toiling increase it]."
2. NIV: "The Blessing of the Lord brings wealth, without painful toil for it."
3. *Brenton:* "The Blessing of the Lord is upon the head of the righteous; it enriches him, and grief of heart shall not be added to it."
4. GNB: "It is the Lord's Blessing that makes you wealthy…."
5. Psalm 112: The Bible definition of *rich*

B. *Rich* Is Not a Dirty Word—It Is a Bible Word

1. *Rich* (HEB) AWSHAR = accumulate and grow; wax great
2. "If you will learn to follow the inward witness, I will make you rich. I will guide you in all the affairs of life, financial as well as spiritual. I am not opposed to my children being rich; I am opposed to them being covetous. To be rich is to have a full supply and abundant provision." —word from the Lord to Kenneth E. Hagin
3. "You don't live in the spirit just to keep your bills paid and your body well just so you can lay around and watch TV in comfort. God is not prospering us to get us out of debt so we can get into bigger debt. He is not prospering us so we can buy and buy and buy. He is prospering us so we can give and give and give." —Kenneth Copeland
4. "My priorities for prosperity are God first, others second, and me last. We prosper for covenant reasons—not for covetous reasons." —Dr. Leroy Thompson
5. "I am convinced in my mind by my heart that the reason I want money is to do the work of the gospel! Thank You, Lord, for the peace of that revelation. Satan, you will never be able to make me believe, ever again, that the reason I want money is for selfish gain. My God is my provider." —Jeremy Pearsons, 5/6/98 (age 20)
6. My motivation for accumulation is distribution.

C. 1 Timothy 6:17-18—Charge Them That Are Rich

1. Don't be high-minded.
2. Don't trust in riches, but in the living God.
3. Do good.
4. Be rich in good works.
5. Be ready to distribute, willing to give.

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D. Even the World Knows Better

1. "I have never believed that prosperity is bad or something to be shunned." —Donald Trump
2. Secular books written on the subject of prosperity
   a. *The Road to Wealth*
   b. *9 Steps to Financial Freedom*
   c. *The Guide to Becoming Rich*
   d. *The Science of Getting Rich*
   e. *Millionaire Maker*
   f. *Start Late, Finish Rich*
   g. *Retire Young, Retire Rich*
   h. *Zero Debt*
   i. *Rich and Happy*
   j. *Why We Want You to Be Rich*
   k. *Dare to Be Rich*
   l. *Think and Grow Rich*
   m. *Smart Women Finish Rich*
   n. *Rich Women*
3. How much more should we be walking in The Blessing of God's covenant wealth?
4. 2 Corinthians 8:9 (NLT): "You know the generous grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty he could make you rich."
5. He wants us to get way beyond a "paycheck-to-paycheck, barely surviving" lifestyle.

E. Ezekiel 16:7—Our God is THE "Millionaire Maker"

1. "I have caused thee to multiply as the bud of the field, and thou hast increased and waxen great, and thou art come to excellent ornaments…."
2. *Excellent ornaments* (HEB) = fine outfits
3. I have caused you to multiply (HEB) = I have made you a million.
4. Proverbs 8:17-21 (AMPC): Riches and honor are with the Lord, enduring wealth, (KJV—durable riches) and righteousness. The Lord causes those who love Him to inherit true riches and He fills my treasuries.
5. Deuteronomy 8:18 (NLT): "Remember the Lord your God. He is the one who gives you power to be successful, in order to fulfill the covenant he confirmed with your ancestors with an oath."

F. Genesis 14:22-23: "And Abram said to the king of Sodom, I have lift up mine hand unto the Lord, the most high God, the possessor of heaven and earth, that I will not take from a thread even to a shoelatchet, and that I will not take any thing that is thine, lest thou shouldest say, I have made Abram rich."

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10 More Days of Prosperity

The Heart of Prosperity

Day #20

A. *True Prosperity* Defined by Kenneth Copeland

1. True prosperity is the ability to use the power of God to meet the needs of mankind in every realm of life—spirit, soul, body, financially, socially.
2. True prosperity is when you make it your need to get salvation into the hands of people and when you make it your purpose to feed the gospel to the unsaved.
3. True prosperity is the ability to look a man in the eye in his moment of impossibility and take his needs on as your own.
4. True prosperity is walking with God to be able and equipped to do for others whatever He needs done, whenever He needs it done and with whatever He needs it done.
5. True prosperity is not for keeping your bills paid and your body well just so you can lie around and watch TV in comfort. God is not prospering us to get us out of debt so we can get into bigger debt. He is not prospering us so we can buy and buy and buy. He is prospering us so we can give and give and give.

B. Our Motivation for Accumulation Is Distribution

1. Genesis 12:2 (AMPC): "I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you [with abundant increase of favors] and make your name famous and distinguished, and you will be a blessing [dispensing good to others]."
2. Philippians 2:4: "Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others."
    a. AMPC: "…Be concerned for not [merely] [your] own interests, but also each for the interests of others."
3. Galatians 6:10 (KNOX): "Let us practice generosity to all while the opportunity is ours, and above all, to those who are one family with us in the household of faith."
    a. Creflo Dollar emptied his entire account and sowed the money toward KCM's airplane.
    b. He put KCM's need above his own.
    c. Kenneth and Gloria Copeland have sown more than 30 airplanes, placing others' needs above their own.
4. 1 Corinthians 10:24: "Let no man seek his own, but every man another's wealth."
    a. JBP/WOR: Let no man set his own advantage as his objective, but let each seek the good of others.
5. "A man's life consists not in the abundance of the things he possesses, but in the abundance of the things he sows." —Kenneth Copeland

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C. Giving Is at the Very Heart of Prosperity

1. 2 Corinthians 9:11 (NIV): "[As a result of your giving] you will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God."
2. AMPC: "Thus you will be enriched in all things and in every way, so that you can be generous, and [your generosity as it is] administered by us will bring forth thanksgiving to God."
3. Billye Brim shared that during the "Restore Honor" meeting in Washington, D.C., a rabbi shared that God's Word commands us to make money because we are God's stewards on earth with the responsibility to distribute His wealth.

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Another 10 Days of Prosperity

All of Heaven's Reserves

Day #21

A. 2 Chronicles 20:20: "…Believe in the Lord your God, so shall ye be established; believe his prophets, so shall ye prosper."

1. Prophetic words are given for our benefit.
2. They give us direction, instruction, correction.
3. Amos 3:7: "Surely the Lord God will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets."
4. They give us light for the path ahead.
5. Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland concerning 2011
   a. Prayer Mountain Prayer Conference
   b. October 28, 2010

B. "2011—Straight From Heaven" Prophetic Word

Word from the Lord through Brother Copeland, October 28, 2010

Have no fear of this world. I have overcome it, saith the Lord. I left nothing—absolutely nothing—that faith won't overcome. I left it no power. I left it no strength. It has NO-THING over you.

So, hear this about 2011. What will it be like? I will tell you exactly what it will be like, saith the Lord.

Whatever you compromise to keep, you will lose. So be bold in My Word. Be strong and stand up for something. Stand up for the word of faith. Stand up for the fact that God loves you and will take care of you and will continue to take care of you.

And I can tell you this. I have said it before and I will say it again, and again, and again, and again—times and times again. I will say it.

For 2011—everything is going to be ALL right!

A new day is coming and it is here now. Everything is going to be ALL right. I said everything is going to be all right.

For all of you who will take My Word and stand on it, saith the Lord—the kingdom is for you, the angels are for you, all of heaven's reserves are at your call. Rise up and be counted among those who carry faith, live by faith, walk in love and declare that God so loved the world that He gave. Relax and rest and rejoice, because everything is going to be ALL right. Everything is going to be ALL right. Everything is going to be ALL right.

2011—Straight From Heaven

A wealthy place. A good place. THE BLESSING is the place to be. 2011—you will see it come to pass.

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It will be said of that year among those who count themselves in the household of God and in the word of faith, and those who have stood up and believed My Word and have walked in it all these years—it is going to be the easiest year you have ever had in your life.

Things are going to flow and things are going to just move and flow along. It will seem like you have been caught up in a wave of glory. It will just go and it will go and it will go, and you will begin to learn how to just say things and they come to pass. You will walk in the goodness and in the grace and in the mercy of God.

All that you should be, will be.

All that you could be, will be.

And all that shouldn't be, won't be, because God is alive and well—and so are you!

C. "All of Heaven's Reserves Are at Your Call"

1. James 1:17: "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning."
    a. AMPC: "Every good gift and perfect (free, large, full) gift is from above…."
    b. GNB: "Every good gift and every perfect present comes from heaven…."
    c. MSG: "Every desirable and beneficial gift comes out of heaven…."
2. Psalm 78:23-29 (NLT): "But he commanded the skies to open; he opened the doors of heaven. He rained down manna for them to eat; he gave them bread from heaven. They ate the food of angels! God gave them all they could hold. He released the east wind in the heavens and guided the south wind by his mighty power. He rained down meat as thick as dust—birds as plentiful as the sand on the seashore! He caused the birds to fall within their camp and all around their tents. The people ate their fill. He gave them what they craved."
3. Philippians 4:19: "But my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus."
    a. BBE: "And my God will give you all you have need of from the wealth of His glory in Christ Jesus."
    b. GK: My God will liberally supply, fill to the full, cram, furnish, satisfy, finish and complete all of your needs, employment, requirements, lack and business according to His riches, His wealth, His money and His possessions in glory by Christ Jesus.
4. 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…."
    a. *Treasure* (HEB) = depository, armory, treasure house
    b. AMPC: His good treasury
    c. ASV: Treasure of the heavens
    d. BBE: His storehouses in heaven
    e. CEV: The storehouses of the skies
    f. MSG: "God will throw open the doors of His sky vaults and pour rain on your land on schedule…."
5. 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, if I will not open you the

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windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

a. *Brenton:* The torrents of heaven
b. NIV: "…See if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour you out a blessing, even to abundance."

6. Ezekiel 34:25-27: "…I will cause the shower to come down in his season; there shall be showers of blessing."
   a. *Shower* (HEB) = pour down violently
   b. A falling of things from the air in thick succession and in great and large quantities
   c. When we tithe, we should expect a nonstop downpour and a torrent of abundant, liberal, excessive prosperity and provision coming down violently in thick succession through the floodgates of heaven!
   d. "Not a trickle, not a stream, not a river but a flood." —Oral Roberts

D. "All of Heaven's Reserves Are at Your Call"—So Call in the Reserves!

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Freedom From Financial Fear

Day #22

A. Everything Is Going to Be All Right!

1. Images of fear are all around us.
2. Fear of financial failure is trying to grip people's hearts.
3. We must aggressively take our stand against financial fear and believe that everything is going to be all right.
4. "Everything is going to be all right in the household of faith. Don't feed fear and trouble into your life and into your mouth. No! Quit living in that house. Get back over here in the household of faith. Feed on My Word and not on the bread of sorrow. Feed on My Word. Everything's going to be all right." —word of the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, Southwest Believers' Convention, August 6, 2010
5. "Have no fear of this world. I have overcome it," saith the Lord. "I left nothing—absolutely nothing—that faith won't overcome. I left it no power. I left it no strength. It has NO-THING over you." —word of the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, Prayer Mountain Meeting, October 28, 2010

B. Psalm 34:1-4: "…I Sought the Lord, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears."

1. Faith and fear are expectations.
   a. Faith expects the best.
   b. Fear expects the worst.
2. Faith and fear are magnets.
   a. Faith is a magnet that draws provision.
   b. Fear is a magnet that draws lack.
      i. Proverbs 29:25: "The fear of man bringeth a snare…."
      ii. Job 3:25: "The thing which I greatly feared is come upon me…."
      iii. HEB: I feared a fear and it came on me.
3. The contrast between faith and fear
   a. Romans 10:17: Faith for finances comes by hearing the Word of God about prosperity and fear of lack comes by hearing the lies of the devil about poverty.
   b. Hebrews 11:1: Faith is the substance of prosperity hoped for, the evidence of prosperity not seen. Fear is the substance of poverty dreaded, the evidence of poverty not seen.
   c. 1 John 5:4: This is the victory that overcomes lack—even our faith. This is the defeat that overcomes us—even our fear.
4. We must adopt a "zero-tolerance policy" toward any form of fear.
   a. "No fear here"
   b. Develop a bulldog faith.

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5. Kellie declared, "I refuse to fear," when her daughter Lyndsey was given a terrible report about spinal meningitis.
    a. The whole situation changed from that moment on.
    b. Fear left and faith came on the scene.
    c. You must use your faith in the same way over your finances.

C. I Refuse to Fear Over Finances!

1. 2 Timothy 1:7: I have not been given the spirit of fear over my finances—but of power and love and of a sound mind.
2. Isaiah 41:10: God said, "Fear not," for He is with me. I am not dismayed over my financial condition; He is my God—my Provider and my Supplier. Everything is going to be all right!
3. Psalm 27:3: Though a host of bills should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear.
4. Psalm 112:7: I shall not be afraid of economic conditions; my heart is fixed, trusting in the Lord. My heart is established. I shall not be afraid.
5. James 4:7: I resist the fear of lack and the fear of lack must flee!

D. My Confession of Faith

I refuse to fear.

I am not moved by what I see.

I am not fearful over my financial future.

God is my source of provision.

He provides cars to drive, food to eat, clothes to wear, places to live and everything else I need in liberal supply.

I am not subject to the times.

I live in the household of faith, not the dungeon of fear.

My household is thriving, and not just surviving.

My household is flourishing and not failing.

Every bill is paid, every need is met and every debt is wiped out.

I walk by faith and not by fear, in Jesus' Name!

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My Faith for Provision Works All the Time

Day #23

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

1. AMPC: "Let us not lose heart and grow weary and faint in acting nobly and doing right, for in due time and at the appointed season we shall reap, if we do not loosen and relax our courage and faint."
2. A note to Pastor George:
   "Thank you, Pastor George, for teaching us about reaping. We have been going back over your first '10 Days of Prosperity' on the Internet. It is really blessing us. We had been asking the same question over and over again—'We tithe and give, but we are not seeing results. Why isn't it working for us?' After reviewing your series, we are very encouraged! Our faith is back on track and is now working again!"
3. Many ask the same question: "Why isn't it working for me?"
4. When they tithe and sow and don't see results, they get discouraged, and wonder why it doesn't work.
5. They don't realize that their harvest is right around the faith corner.

B. Hebrews 10:23, 35-36: We Must Stand Firm in Faith Until We See the Results

1. Verse 23: "Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised)."
   a. AMPC: "So let us seize and hold fast and retain without wavering the hope we cherish and confess and our acknowledgement of it, for He Who promised is reliable (sure) and faithful to His word."
   b. NLT: "Let us hold tightly without wavering to the hope we affirm, for God can be trusted to keep his promise."
2. We must stay encouraged and continue to use our faith.
3. Verses 35-36: "Cast not away therefore your confidence, which has great recompense of reward. For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise."
   a. AMPC: "Do not, therefore, fling away your fearless confidence, for it carries a great and glorious compensation of reward. For you have need of steadfast patience and endurance, so that you may perform and fully accomplish the will of God, and thus receive and carry away [and enjoy to the full] what is promised."
   b. Cast not away your boldness of speech and confession.
4. Hebrews 6:12: Be imitators of those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.

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5. *Patience*
    a. Not knuckling under and hunkering down until the storm passes over
    b. Maintaining your stand in spite of the circumstances
    c. Being constant all the time
    d. The ability to see the results before you have them

C. Proverbs 18:21: Life and Death Are in the Power of the Tongue

1. Encourage your faith by speaking life over your tithing and giving.
2. *Tithe*—Declare that the windows of heaven are opened over your life.
3. *Seed*—Declare that your giving is producing an extreme, maximum, overflowing harvest.
4. "My faith is alive, activated and energized."
5. "My faith for provision is working for me all the time!"
    a. Luke 6:38: "I give and it is given to me!"
    b. Galatians 6:7: "I reap what I sow!"
    c. Psalm 112:2: "My seed is mighty upon the earth!"

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100 DAYS OF PROSPERITY

I Heartily Agree With God

Day #24

A. Romans 4:18-21: Abraham Heartily Agreed With God

1. Verse 18: "Who against hope believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations, according to that which was spoken, So shall thy seed be."
2. *According to* (GK) = Hearty agreement
   a. Total, complete, unquestioning, unreserved agreement
   b. Verse 20: "He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief…."
   c. Verse 21: He was so fully persuaded that what God had promised in His Word, He was totally able to perform
3. Abraham was in hearty agreement with what God had spoken to him about being the father of many nations
4. Verse 18 (MSG): "When everything was hopeless, Abraham believed anyway, deciding to live not on the basis of what he saw he couldn't do but on what God said he would do…."
5. "I am in hearty agreement with what God has already said in His Word about my prosperity."

B. I Heartily Agree With God

1. Deuteronomy 8:18: It is the Lord my God who gives me the power to get wealth in order to establish His covenant in the earth.
2. Deuteronomy 28—I heartily agree with The Blessing of Abraham.
   a. Verse 2—All these blessings come on me and overtake me.
   b. Verse 8—The commanded blessing is upon my storehouses.
   c. Verse 11 (AMPC)—The Lord makes me to have a surplus of prosperity.
   d. Verse 12 (AMPC)—The Lord has opened to me His rich treasury.
3. Psalm 35:27—The Lord takes pleasure in my prosperity.
4. Psalm 36:8—I am abundantly satisfied with the prosperity of God's house and I drink out of the river of His pleasures.
   a. AMPC—I relish and feast on the abundance of God's house.
5. Psalm 65:11 (NLT)—You crown my year with a bountiful harvest and even the hard pathways overflow with abundance.
6. Psalm 66:12—God has brought me out into a wealthy place—a broad and open place of His abundance and refreshment.
7. Psalm 68:19—God daily loads me with benefits.

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8. Psalm 85:12—The Lord shall give me that which is good and our land shall yield her increase.
    a. NLT—The Lord pours down His blessings. Our land will yield its bountiful harvest.
9. Psalm 92:12—The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree.
    a. *Flourish* (HEB) = Increase; enlarge; become extremely successful; enter into a state of prosperity; grow exuberantly; increase in wealth, favor and honor
    b. I am increasing, enlarging, becoming extremely successful and have entered into a state of prosperity.
    c. I am growing exuberantly and increasing in wealth, favor and honor.
10. Psalm 112:3—Wealth and riches are in my house.
    a. NJB—There are riches and wealth for my family.
    b. AMPC—Prosperity and welfare are in my house.
11. Psalm 115:14—The Lord is increasing me more and more—me and my children.
12. Proverbs 8:21 (AMPC)—Because I love the Lord, He causes me to inherit true riches and He fills my treasures.
13. Proverbs 13:22—I leave an inheritance to my children's children and the wealth of the sinner is laid up for me.
14. Proverbs 19:14—House and riches are my inheritance.
15. Proverbs 24:3-4 (AMPC)—Through skillful and godly wisdom, my house, my life, my family and my home are built. By understanding they are established on a sound and good foundation. And by knowledge are the chambers of every area filled with all precious and pleasant riches.
16. Ecclesiastes 5:19 (NLT)—I receive wealth from God and the health to enjoy it. It is a good thing!
17. Isaiah 48:17—It is the Lord my God who teaches me to profit and leads me in the way that I should go.
18. Malachi 3:10—The windows of heaven are open over me and God is pouring out a blessing that I cannot contain.
19. 2 Corinthians 8:9 (NLT)—Jesus became poor in order that by His poverty I am enriched and abundantly supplied.
    a. By Jesus' stripes, I am healed.
    b. By Jesus' poverty, I am rich.
20. 2 Peter 1:3 (AMPC)—His divine power has bestowed upon me all the things that are requisite and suited to life and godliness.

C. "I heartily agree with everything that God has said in His Word about my prosperity!"

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Another 10 Days of Prosperity

The Power of Your Words

A. Five Vital Truths About Words

1. There is nothing in this earth so great or so powerful, including the physical body, that cannot be turned around by our words. You can turn around any situation with your words.
2. The entire course of nature (future and destiny) and the circumstances surrounding every human being are controlled by that person's words.
3. We don't have a choice whether or not we live by words. We do, however, have a choice of what words we live by.
4. If your mouth will feed your heart the word of faith when you don't need it—your heart will feed your mouth the word of faith when you do need it.
5. We appropriate what is ours in Christ by making God's Word a daily part of our vocabulary. We are to confess what we can do in Christ, who we are in Christ, and what we have in Christ.

B. Proverbs 22:17-18 (AMPC): "Listen (consent and submit) to the words of the wise, and apply your mind to my knowledge; for it will be pleasant if you keep them in your mind [believing them]; your lips will be accustomed to [confessing] them."

C. Isaiah 58:13—Don't speak your own words.

D. Psalm 17:4 (AMPC): "Concerning the works of men, by the word of Your lips I have avoided the ways of the violent (the paths of the destroyer)."

Words Defined

A man's belly shall be satisfied with the fruit of his mouth;
and with the increase of his lips shall he be filled.
Death and life are in the power of the tongue:
and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.
Proverbs 18:20-21

1. Words are God's method of operation by which He accomplishes His will, purpose and desire.
2. Words set spiritual laws in motion.
   a. The law of sin and death
   b. The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus

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3. Words are the most important things in the universe.
    a. Faith-filled words will put you over.
    b. Fear-filled words will defeat you.
4. Words are spiritual containers that carry power.
    a. Carry love and faith
    b. Carry hate and fear
5. Words are seeds sown with your mouth that produce after their own kind.
6. Words are the process starters of life.
7. Words are the building blocks with which you construct your life and future.
8. Words set the cornerstones of your life.
9. Words set boundaries, which confine or release you.
10. Words have creative ability.
    a. They create the realities you see.
    b. God's Word—the incorruptible seed, has within it the ability and DNA to cause itself to come to pass.
11. Words program the human spirit for success or failure.
12. Words of God, conceived in the heart, spoken out the mouth, become a spiritual force that release faith—which is the creative ability of God.
13. Words establish strongholds, break habits, change things, redirect thought patterns.
14. Words point you in whatever direction they are aimed and released.
15. Words set the course of your life.
16. Words determine your future, your health, your wealth and your place in eternity—you are the prophet of your own life.
17. Words arrive at your future before you do.
18. Words create desires and transmit images that you will eventually live out.
19. Words frame your world.
20. Words spoken today become a living reality tomorrow.
21. Words give permission and license to spiritual forces to work for you or against you.
22. Words can turn around any situation.
23. Words make demands on the blessing or the curse—whichever you call for.
24. Words are goal setters that give direction and establish destination.
25. Words are our method of operation, by which God accomplishes His will, purpose and desire for our lives.

Set a watch (guard), O Lord, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips.
Psalm 141:3

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Another 10 Days of Prosperity

Money Cometh to Me, Now!

Day #25

A. A Prophetic Word for the Body of Christ from Dr. Leroy Thompson

1. Dr. Thompson was shopping at the grocery store.
2. While in the checkout line, the person ahead of Dr. Thompson turned to him and said, "Money goes." Dr. Thompson answered, "Money goes."
3. On the way to the car, the Lord corrected him and said, "Money comes."
4. The Lord told him that this was a prophetic word for the Body of Christ.
5. The Lord said we are to declare, "Money cometh to me, now!"

B. Romans 4:17—We call in things that be not as though they were.

1. RSV: Call into existence the things that do not exist.
2. *Call* (GK) KALEO = To summon
3. *Summons*—An authoritative command demanding someone to appear
4. Jury duty summons—"You are hereby notified to appear."
5. When you say "Money cometh to me, now," you are actually saying, "Money—you are hereby notified to appear."

C. Rick Renner's Scriptural Basis for "Money Cometh to Me, Now!"

1. Rick Renner showed me scriptural proof for "money cometh." (See Rick's handwritten notes attached)
2. Hebrews 10:35: "Cast not away therefore your confidence, which has great recompense of reward."
3. *Recompense of reward* (GK) = MISTHAPODOSIA
   a. MISTHA = Pay, salary, money, recompense, restitution
   b. PODOSIA = Feet or foot (podiatrist)
4. Translations
   a. "Money is coming on feet in your direction."
   b. "Money is traveling your way."
   c. "Money is coming."
5. Provision is running to me
   a. Luke 6:38: "Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give unto your bosom…."
   b. Deuteronomy 28:2: "And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee…."
   c. Psalm 23:6: "Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life…."
      i. *Follow* (HEB) = Pursue, chase, run after

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D. Confession

Money, I summon you.
I hereby call you to appear.
You have feet and you are coming my way.
I am a money magnet.
Money cometh to me, NOW, in Jesus' Name.

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Another 10 Days of Prosperity

Our Source of Supply

Day #26

A. "What About 2011?"

Word from the Lord through Brother Copeland, November 11, 2010

Now, what about 2011? What is in store? What is God saying about it?

It will be a time of changes. It will be the best of times and it will be the worst of times. The biggest amount of change will come in the harvest. What is harvest to one man is judgment to another one because both of them are the manifestations of seed. Seed grows up and becomes. And when the wages of sin, or the harvest of sin, is death, you just stay with it and it will kill you.

The sower sows the Word. Well, the harvest of that is abundance and plenty—the hundredfold return.

And here is what I heard the Lord say:

For those who insist on compromising the Word and insist on it. I am not talking about the world. I mean, that is what they do all the time. Sinners sin. You understand? That is what they do best. But, I am talking about people who have an allegiance to the Lord Jesus Christ, born-again children of God who continue and insist on compromising the Word.

"Ah, yes, Brother Copeland. I know the Bible says that but you just don't understand my situation." "Ah, yes, Brother Copeland. Yes, I know the Bible says that, but you know, I believe it will be all right with the Lord."

Those who insist and persist in disobedience and the compromising of the Word, whatever you compromise to keep, you will lose it. And the difference is, in 2011, in many cases, it will be taken from you right before your eyes. And of course, it is not God who takes it from you. It is the devil. He is the thief. He comes to steal, kill and destroy. God is not taking things away from you. The devil takes them and blames it on God. He will get preachers to preach that to you, but it isn't true.

Now, for those who insist on keeping the love commandment at any price, and those who insist on living by faith and giving God praise and glory, everything is going to be All-Right. That is what I heard the Lord say. Everything is going to be All-Right. Every thing. All-Right. It is going to right-en up.

Straighten up.

Don't look to the government for your supply. Don't look to other people for your supply. No, no. Pastors, don't look to your congregations for your supply.

Jesus is our Source, hallelujah. The blessing of Abraham is our supply. Praise God!

The Word is our supply. Amen.

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Now, to walk in that, oh my goodness. You are going to have to pay attention. You are going to have to listen on purpose. Take time to pray and listen to God.

Jesus said, "I only say those things I hear My Father say, and I only do those things I see My Father do." Note, that should be all of us the same way.

Not what we see someone else do or hear someone else say. We take a message someone preaches. We take the written Word of God as the very Word of Jesus, the very Word of the living God. Amen. It is God speaking to me, but there are moments and times when you need to just hush and quit trying to make up and do all your praying on your own, and be quiet and say, "Sir, what should I say at this moment? What should I do? My ears are open and my eyes are open. I am listening."

B. Our Source of Supply

1. "Don't look to the government for your supply."
2. "Don't look to other people for your supply."
3. "Pastors, don't look to your congregations for your supply."
4. "Jesus is our Source of supply."
5. "The Blessing of Abraham is our source of supply."
6. "The Word is our source of supply."
7. "My God is the source of all my supply."
    a. This must be ingrained in our thinking.
    b. Especially during economic times like these

C. Settle This Today: God Is My Source!

1. *Source*—Point of origin
    a. The beginning place
    b. Where something can be traced back to
2. *Supply*—Provision, inventory, stock
3. Our source of supply is the point of origin for the fulfillment of all our needs.
4. Philippians 4:19: "My God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus."
    a. BBE: "My God will give you all you have need of from the wealth of his glory in Christ Jesus."
    b. AMPC: "My God will liberally supply (fill to the full) your every need according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus."
5. I settle this today:
    a. Jesus is the Source of my supply.
    b. The Blessing of Abraham is the source of my supply.
    c. The Word of God is the source of my supply.
    d. God is the source of my supply!

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The Hundredfold Return

Day #27

A. Mark 10:28-30: He Shall Receive an Hundredfold

(Quotes from Gloria Copeland's book, *God's Will Is Prosperity)*

1. Verses 28-30: "Peter said to him, See, we have given up everything, and come after you. Jesus said, Truly I say to you, There is no man who has given up house, or brothers, or sisters, or mother, or father, or children, or land, because of me and the good news, who will not get a hundred times as much now in this time, houses, and brothers, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and land—though with great troubles; and, in the world to come, eternal life."
2. "How great the hundredfold return is: give $1 and receive $100!"
3. "Where in the natural world are you offered the return of 100 times your investment?"
    a. "If you double your money, you do well."
    b. "If you receive 10 times your investment, it is a marvelous deal."
    c. "But who talks in terms of receiving 100 times your investment?"
4. "After I let what the Word offers us in the hundredfold return become a reality to me, the Lord led me to continually give thanks for it every time I thought about it."
    a. "I would say, 'Thank You, Father, for the hundredfold return offered in Your Word.'"
    b. "It is such a generous return and it belongs to me."
5. "I would say any faith words of praise that came into my spirit in regard to continually thanking God for the hundredfold return."
    a. "This thanksgiving kept my faith active and operative to receive."
    b. "Continually confessing the hundredfold return causes the seed of Mark 10:29-30 to grow."

B. Keep Your Faith Active All the Time

1. Mark 10:30: Now in this time
    a. GW: Here in this life
2. "I realized that the hundredfold return is continually working, coming to me as long as I keep my faith active in its behalf."
3. "None of the blessings of God work automatically, even though they belong to us. They become manifested in our lives as we exercise our faith to receive them."
4. "Healing belongs to every believer, but that great blessing is enjoyed only by those who exercise their faith to receive it."

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5. "In the same way, the hundredfold return is a powerful force in the believer's financial blessing, but you have to release your faith to receive all that the Word offers you. The force of faith for the hundredfold return must be applied by the Word of God in your heart and by the confession of your mouth."

C. The Hundredfold Return Is Working for Me All the Time!

1. Kenneth and Gloria had been attending a convention in Hawaii.
2. On the morning of their departure, Gloria went to the restaurant to get a table.
3. A man stepped in front of her and took the table that should have been hers.
4. Gloria ended up having to get a table in the very back of the restaurant.
5. A woman came up to Gloria and took a ring off her finger, gave it to Gloria and said, "God told me to give this to you. I had been impressed for several days to do this. I asked the Lord during the meeting that if He wanted me to give Gloria Copeland the ring, please have her sit next to me at breakfast in the morning."
6. The ring was stunning and unusual—two squares of emeralds and diamonds set in gold. The two squares rotated as her hand moved. Gloria received it and prayed for the woman.
7. Then she remembered the hundredfold return. The last time they were in Hawaii, at the very same hotel, the Lord impressed Gloria to give someone a diamond ring. When she gave it, she believed for the hundredfold return. The hundredfold was working for her all along.
8. As Gloria looked at the rotating squares of the ring, the Lord impressed her that this ring was to be a reminder that the hundredfold return is continually working for her all the time.
9. Continually keep your faith activated for the hundredfold return.
10. Continually confess, "The hundredfold return is working for me all the time!"

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Put Your Prosperity Angels to Work

Day #28

A. Three-Point Provision Outline by Kenneth E. Hagin

1. Claim whatever you need.
2. Declare: "Satan, take your hands off my money!"
3. Declare: "Ministering spirits, go and cause my money to come!"
4. Our angels are ready to go to work for us.
5. "For all of you who will take My Word and stand on it," saith the Lord, "the kingdom is for you, the angels are for you, and all of heaven's reserves are at your call." —*word from the Lord through Brother Copeland, October 28, 2010*

B. Hebrews 1:14: "Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?"

1. AMPC: "Are not the angels all ministering spirits (servants) sent out in the service [of God for the assistance] of those who are to inherit salvation?"
2. Galatians 3:29: "And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise."
3. We are heirs of salvation—deliverance, preservation, soundness and prosperity.
4. The angels of God have been sent to perform whatever is necessary to establish God's covenant in the earth.
5. The angels have been sent to serve us.
    a. 1 Kings 19:5-6: "As [Elijah] lay and slept under a juniper tree, behold, then an angel touched him, and said unto him, Arise and eat. And he looked, and, behold, there was a cake baken on the coals, and a cruse of water at his head. And he did eat and drink…."
    b. Elijah was gently awakened to the scent of juniper mingled with the aroma of freshly baked pastry—what service!

C. Psalm 103:20-21—The Angels Are Awaiting Our Command

1. Verses 20-21: "Bless the Lord, ye His angels, that excel in strength, that do His commandments, hearkening unto the voice of His word. Bless ye the Lord, all ye His hosts; ye ministers of His, that do His pleasure."
2. There is no shortage of angelic help.
    a. Hebrews 12:22 An innumerable company of angels
        i. AMPC: Countless multitudes of angels

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   b. Revelation 5:11: "And the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands."
3. Hilton Sutton calculated that there were one hundred trillion angels.
4. The angels are just waiting on your words.
   a. Daniel 10:12: "Thy words were heard, and I am come for thy words."
   b. Daniel's words put the angels to work for him.
5. The moment you exercise faith in your covenant, the angels go to work to minister the result of your faith back to you.
   a. They are available 24 hours a day.
   b. Your words put the angels to work or force them to step back.
   c. Say, "Angels, go get my finances and provision and bring it back to me!"
   d. Put your prosperity angels to work!

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What It Will Take to Prosper in These Times—Aggressive Faith

Day #29

A. Deuteronomy 28:15-68—Poverty Is an Aggressive Spirit

1. It is part of the curse of the law.
2. Examples of aggressive poverty
   a. Verse 30: You shall plant a vineyard and shall not gather the grapes.
   b. Verse 38: You will carry much seed into the field and shall gather but little in, for the locust shall consume it.
   c. Verse 44: The stranger shall lend to thee and thou shalt not lend to him: he shall be the head and thou shalt be the tail.
3. It feeds on hopelessness and fear.
4. Aggressive poverty must be countered with an aggressive faith.
5. It will take a bold, aggressive faith to prosper in these times.

B. Hebrews 11:32-34—Faith Is an Aggressive Force

1. *Faith* (GK) = PISTIS
   a. An aggressive, forward-directed force
   b. Never passive, retreating, backward or shy
2. Verses 32-34: The aggressive force of faith in action
3. 1 Samuel 17:48: David ran toward the army to meet the Philistine.
4. Faith is determined, persistent and stubborn.
5. Faith refuses to give up and quit—it won't let go and it will not take no for an answer.

C. Mark 11:22-24—Faith Aggressively Takes What Belongs to It

1. Verse 24 (GK): Believe that you receive them.
   a. Take with much force.
   b. Seize with a grip that cannot be shaken off.
2. What God has so wonderfully provided through His grace, we must lay hold of, possess and take with our faith.
3. Joshua 18:3: How long are you slack to go to possess the land which the Lord God of your fathers has given you?
   a. NLT: How long are you going to wait before taking possession of the remaining land that God has given you?

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   b. MSG: How long are you going to sit around on your hands and put off taking possession of the land that God gave you?
   c. *Possess* (HEB) = To take; to claim a territory by attacking it, seizing it, driving out the inhabitants and occupying it
5. Aggressive faith makes a demand on God's Word and takes hold on the desired result.
   a. "Spirit of poverty, get out of my way!"
   b. "I will either go past you or I am going to go right through you."
   c. "Either way, I am going to aggressively take the prosperity that rightfully belongs to me in Christ Jesus!"

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What It Will Take to Prosper in These Times—Total Immersion

Day #30

A. Romans 12:1-2—Do Not Be Conformed to the World

1. The attack on the mind is immense.
2. "How are we going to make it during these times?"
3. *Conformed*—to shape like another
   a. MSG: Don't become so well-adjusted to your culture that you fit into it without even thinking.
   b. PHI: Don't let the world squeeze you into its mold.
4. *Transformed*—to undergo a complete change
   a. AMPC: Be transformed—changed by the entire renewal of your mind by its new ideals and its new attitude
   b. GW: Change the way you think.
   c. PHI: Let God remold your mind from within.
5. Isaiah 26:3: "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee."
   a. NLT: "You will keep in perfect peace all who trust in you, all whose thoughts are fixed on you!"
   b. *Stayed*—established, focused, totally immersed

B. Psalm 1:1-3—The Principle of Total Immersion

1. Verses 1-3: "Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper."
2. "Day and night" is total immersion in God's Word.
3. Total transformation in your thinking comes from total immersion in God's Word.
4. By constantly immersing yourself in God's Word, you will flush out all fear of failure and become rooted in the truth of your prosperity.
5. This is what it will take to break the lack mentality and establish a new way of thinking.

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C. My Personal Total Immersion Program

1. Terri and I prayed and believed the Lord wanted us to sow our house debt free.
    a. The pressure of what to do next began to consume my mind.
    b. I found myself living by fear instead of faith.
2. The Lord led me to do three things to totally immerse my thinking and get me back over into faith for prosperity.
3. I totally immersed myself in scriptures that took my limitations off God.
    a. Genesis 18:14: Is anything too hard for the Lord? NO!
    b. Numbers 11:23 (AMPC): Has the Lord's hand, ability and power become short, thwarted and inadequate? NO!
    c. Matthew 19:26: With men, this is impossible. But with God, all things are possible. YES!
4. I totally immersed myself in Dr. Leroy Thompson's audio series *Money Cometh,* and Brother Copeland's audio series *The Laws of Prosperity.*
    a. I listened to them all the time.
    b. At home, in the car, on the plane—everywhere!
5. I totally immersed myself in God's Word by locating and meditating on 21 major ways that God provides along with the total of 191scripture references. (See next page.)
    a. My spirit was strengthened.
    b. My faith was fed.
    c. My mind was renewed.
    d. My life was completely transformed.
    e. That is what it will take to prosper in these times.

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21 Ways God Supplies

191 Scriptures

1. Tithing

- Malachi 3:10
- Leviticus 27:30
- Deuteronomy 26:1-2
- Hebrews 7:8
- Genesis 14:19-20

2. Sowing and Reaping

- Twice-sown seed—John 6:11
- Sowing in famine—Genesis 26:1, 12-14
- These who scatter—Proverbs 11:24-28
- Law of seedtime and harvest—Genesis 8:22; Mark 4:26-32
- Supernatural increase—Psalm 115:12-14
- Deuteronomy 16:15
- 1 Corinthians 3:6
- Psalm 62:10

3. The Law of Multiplication

- Multiplication—Genesis 9:7, 16:10, 17:16; 2 Corinthians 9:10
- Hundredfold return—Mark 4:20, 10:28-30; 2 Samuel 24:3
- One thousand times more—Deuteronomy 1:11; Isaiah 60:22
- Made thee a million—Ezekiel 16:7
- The Double—Isaiah 61:7; Exodus 22:7; Job 42:10

4. Giving to the Poor

- Proverbs 19:17
- Proverbs 28:27
- Psalm 41:1
- Matthew 19:21
- James 2:15-16
- Daniel 4:27
- The poor giving to you—1 Kings 17:9

5. The Ministry

- Giving to the house of the Lord—Haggai 1:7-10; 1 Chronicles 29:17, 25, 28

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- Listen to the prophet—2 Chronicles 20:20
- Partnership with ministries—1 Samuel 30:24-25; 2 Kings 4:8-10
- Listen to your pastor—Psalm 23:1; Jeremiah 3:15, 23:3-4
- Increased anointing in hands of ministry—John 6:11-13
- Apostle John's greatest desire—3 John 2
- Prophet's reward—Matthew 10:41
- Righteous man's reward—Matthew 10:41

6. Memorial Giving

- Mark 12:41-44
- Acts 10:4
- Matthew 26:13

7. Our Relationship With God

- Honoring and loving God—Proverbs 3:9-10, 8:17-21
- God's pleasure in us—Psalm 35:27; Luke 12:32
- By seeking Him first—Matthew 6:33-34; Job 22:21
- Being taught by God—Isaiah 48:17

8. Provision Direct From the Throne

- Seed for the sower—2 Corinthians 9:10
- The hand of God—1 Chronicles 29:14-16; Numbers 11:23
- God's own ability for us—Ephesians 3:20; 2 Corinthians 9:8
- Come to the throne—Hebrews 4:16
- Daily provision—Psalm 68:19; Exodus 16:4
- His riches in glory—Philippians 4:19; Ephesians 3:16
- Your heavenly account—Philippians 4:17-20; Matthew 6:19-21
- Wisdom—Proverbs 3:13-15, 4:5-9, 24:3-4

9. By Creation, Re-creation and Restoration

- Creating something from faith—Genesis 1:1; Hebrews 11:1-3; Romans 4:17
- Creating something from very little—John 6:11; 1 Kings 17:13-14; 2 Kings 4:7; Luke 5:5-7
- Re-creation of a substance—John 2:7-10; Luke 3:8
- Supernatural restoration—Joel 2:25; Exodus 22:7; Proverbs 6:31

10. Miraculous Provision

- Debt Cancellation—Deuteronomy 15:1-2; Philemon 18-19; 1 Samuel 17:25, 22:2; 2 Kings 4:7, 6:5-6; Matthew 18:27, 6:12; Leviticus 25:10; Nehemiah 5:3-4, 11-12
- Reaping where you haven't sown—Leviticus 25:11; John 4:38
- Receiving what you didn't ask for—1 Kings 3:13
- Without money—Isaiah 55:1

11. Earth's Resources

- Psalm 24:1

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- Psalm 33:5
- Psalm 67:5-6
- Psalm 85:11-12
- Psalm 104:24
- Deuteronomy 32:13
- Genesis 14:19
- Haggai 2:8
- Exodus 19:5
- Psalm 116:16

12. Hidden Treasures of Darkness

- Isaiah 45:3

13. Provision by Individuals

- Men—Luke 6:38; Psalms 68:29, 72:10, 112:5; Matthew 7:12; 2 Samuel 23:14-17
- Kings—Proverbs 21:1; Ezra 6:3-4, 7-8; 2 Chronicles 9:12; Esther 5:8
- Inheritance from relatives—Proverbs 19:14; 2 Corinthians 12:14

14. God Uses Us

- The power to get wealth—Deuteronomy 8:18; Proverbs 16:22; Genesis 24:35; Psalm 37:21-22
- Prayer of agreement—Matthew 18:18-20; 2 Kings 7:3, 5-6
- Thanksgiving—Philippians 4:6
- Work—Ephesians 4:28; 2 Thessalonians 3:10; Proverbs 6:6, 10:5, 12:11, 13:11, 14:23, 20:13; Romans 12:11
- Hand of the diligent makes rich—Proverbs 10:14, 12:24
- Thoughts of the diligent—Proverbs 21:5
- Being faithful—Luke 16:10-12, 19:17
- Being generous—1 Timothy 6:17-19
- Developing an established heart—Psalm 112:5-8
- Fasting—Matthew 6:17-18; Isaiah 58:6-8
- Confession—Proverbs 10:20, 12:18, 15:4, 18:21

15. Witty Inventions

- Proverbs 8:12

16. Simply the World's System

- The wicked and the sinner—Proverbs 13:22; Ecclesiastes 2:26; James 5:1-3
- Stolen goods returned—Exodus 22:1; Psalm 79:12; Proverbs 6:30-31, 22:22-23
- Steal it back from the enemy—Exodus 3:21-22, 12:36; 2 Chronicles 20:25; 2 Kings 7:8; Joshua 12:1, 13:1; Isaiah 53:12; 1 Samuel 30:19
- Other nations—Isaiah 61:5, 60:5

17. Angels

- Psalm 103:20-21
- Hebrews 1:14
- 2 Kings 6:17

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18. Wildlife

A man shared several years ago of how he spoke to the birds to bring him money. Based upon 1 Kings 17, he said he started finding money outside around the house after he went

out and hollered at the birds. They gathered around and listened to him. "People lose money every day. Go get it!"

A 15-year-old was so impressed with this story, he decided to try it. He asked the Lord for $10 for missions and God provided seed to the sower.

He went out and spoke to the birds, commanding them to put it in a tree in the backyard:

Day 1	$1.65
Day 2	$2.35
Day 3	$7
Day 4	$10

Over the next two months, he found $440 in the tree.

- 1 Kings 17:4-6
- Matthew 17:27
- Genesis 22:13-14
- Psalm 50:10

19. Because the Lord Needs It

- Mark 14:13-16
- Mark 11:2-3

20. Our Covenant Inheritance

- The Blessing of Abraham—Galatians 3:13-14
- The righteous will never beg for bread—Psalm 37:25
- Through faith and patience—Hebrews 6:12; James 1:3-5
- Our prosperous lineage—Genesis 17:1-3
- Inheritance through being a joint heir with Jesus—Galatians 3:29; Ephesians 1:10-11; Romans 8:16-17; Psalm 37:18

21. The Favor of God

- Exodus 11:3
- Deuteronomy 33:23
- Joshua 11:20
- 1 Samuel 16:22
- Esther 2:17
- Esther 5:8
- Esther 8:5

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10 More Extraordinary Days of Prosperity

God's Formula for Success

Day #31

A. Joshua 1:8 (AMPC)—God's Formula for Success

1. "This Book of the Law shall not depart out of your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, that you may observe and do according to all that is written in it. For then you shall make your way prosperous, and then you shall deal wisely and have good success."
2. *Success* is defined as "the favorable outcome of something attempted."
3. Success is the result of succeeding.
4. *To succeed* means to attain a desired result; to thrive, grow and prosper.
5. The instructions God gave to Joshua in order to successfully possess Canaan are listed in verse 8.

B. Step No. 1—Talk God's Word

1. Keep God's Word in your mouth at all times.
2. Deuteronomy 6:6-9 (NIV): "These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the door-frames of your houses and on your gates."
3. Deuteronomy 11:18-21: The result of speaking the Word is that "your days may be multiplied, and the days of your children, in the land which the Lord sware unto your fathers to give them, as the days of heaven upon earth."
4. The power of your words
    a. There is no lack in this earth so great and so powerful that it cannot be turned around with words of faith.
    b. The entire course of nature—your future and destiny, success and prosperity—are controlled by the words you speak.
5. Hebrews 10:23: "Let us hold fast the profession [confession] of our faith without wavering…."

C. Step No. 2—Meditate on God's Word

1. We know how to meditate.
    a. Before we walked by faith, we worried all the time.
    b. Worry is focusing on the dreaded outcome.

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2. "Meditation on the Word enlarges our capacity for faith; it transforms and expands our capacity to believe and receive." —Kenneth Copeland
3. Meditation on God's Word is fixing your mind and setting your heart on the desired result.
4. Psalm 1:1-3: "Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper."
5. How to meditate God's Word
    a. Apply the Word to you personally.
    b. Allow the Holy Spirit to make the Word a reality in your heart.
    c. Carefully ponder how this Word applies to your life.
    d. Dwell on how the Word changes your situation.
    e. Place yourself in agreement with what the Word says about you.
    f. See yourself as God sees you.
    g. Realize the integrity in God's Word.

D. Step No. 3—Act on the Word

1. It is easy to act on God's Word if you have been speaking the Word and meditating on the Word.
2. Luke 6:47-49: Same storm—different results
    a. Verse 47: "Whosoever cometh to me, and heareth my sayings, and doeth them, I will show you to whom he is like."
    b. Verse 48: "He is like a man which built an house and digged deep, and laid the foundation on a rock: and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house, and could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock."
    c. Verse 49: "But he that heareth and doeth not, is like a man that without a foundation built an house upon the earth; against which the stream did beat vehemently, and immediately it fell; and the ruin of that house was great."
3. James 1:22: Decide: I don't just hear the Word—I am a doer of that Word.
4. Put the formula together.
    a. Find out what God's Word says about your financial situation.
    b. Speak that Word in faith, believing for the desired result.
    c. Meditate upon it until the Word becomes greater on the inside then the lack on the outside.
    d. Then, fearlessly act on what you see in the Word, knowing that no word from God is void or without power.
5. The result is that you will make your way prosperous, deal wisely in the affairs of life and have good success.

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10 More Extraordinary Days of Prosperity

How to Apply for a Heavenly Grant

Day #32

A. From *The Laws of Prosperity* CD Series

1. During the very early years of Kenneth and Gloria's ministry, A.W. Copeland, Kenneth's father, was the business administrator and only employee.
2. He came to Kenneth one day and said, "Do you have any idea how much money it takes to operate this ministry?"
3. Brother Copeland replied, "No, and I don't want to know!"
4. His father said, "I think you ought to pray about it. We have grown so much in the last 90 days that I don't think you have any idea what it costs to run this."
5. He laid a piece of paper on Kenneth's desk with a figure on it and then walked away.
    a. Kenneth picked up the paper, looked at it and "almost choked"!
    b. He then said to himself, "Looks like I should do something about this."

B. The Lord Began to Speak

1. "Boy, don't you start that. You know better than that."
2. "You know who your Source of supply is."
3. "You get over there on your knees and you get it that way!"
4. As Brother Copeland began to pray, the Lord told him to look up two scriptures in *The Amplified Bible, Classic Edition.*
    a. John 16:23: "And when that time comes, you will ask nothing of Me [you will need to ask Me no questions]. I assure you, most solemnly I tell you, that My Father will grant you whatever you ask in My Name."
    b. Mark 11:24: "For this reason I am telling you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe (trust and be confident) that it is granted to you, and you will [get it]."
5. *Grant* defined
    a. A sum of money provided by a government, local authority or public fund to finance educational study, overseas aid, building repairs, etc.
    b. There are students able to attend college because of a grant.
    c. *To grant*—to give, bestow or confer
    d. A heavenly grant comes from another Source.

C. How to Apply for a Heavenly Grant

1. Brother Copland took the piece of paper his dad gave to him and wrote on it
2. "According to John 16:23 (AMPC), I submit this request in the Name of Jesus: I lay claim of my heavenly grant of $_____ every 30 days."

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3. "According to Mark 11:24 (AMPC), I am confident that whatever I ask in prayer, it is granted to me. I believe I receive my grant in Jesus' Name."
4. From that moment on, the finances came in.
5. That was 40 years ago—and the bills are still paid in full!

D. A Sample Request for a Heavenly Grant

Be it known this day, _____, we receive a heavenly grant in the amount of $_____. Father, in the Name of Jesus, we come boldly to the throne of grace, and present Your Word.

According to John 16:23 (AMPC), Jesus said, "I assure you, most solemnly I tell you, that My Father will grant you whatever you ask in My Name."

Jesus, You said in Mark 11:24 (AMPC), "Whatever you ask for in prayer, believe (trust and be confident) that it is granted to you, and you will [get it]."

Your Word states in Luke 6:38, "Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give unto your bosom." In accordance to Your Word, we give, we sow seed, in order to set this spiritual law to work on our behalf.

According to Matthew 18:18, we bind Satan and all his forces, and render them helpless and unable to operate. They will not hinder our grant.

According to Hebrews 1:13 and 14, we loose the ministering spirits and charge them to go forth and cause our grant to come into our hands.

Jesus, You said in Matthew 18:19, "Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of My Father which is in heaven."

Therefore, we set ourselves in agreement, and we believe we receive now, and we praise You for it.

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You Can Live Debt Free—Part 1

Day #33

A. Matthew 6:33—Seek First the Kingdom of God

1. "Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."
2. AMPC: "But seek, aim at and strive after first of all His kingdom and His righteousness, His way of doing and being right, and then all these things taken together will be given you besides."
3. How do we seek first the kingdom? We give God's Word first place and final authority in our lives.
4. Commit yourself to obey whatever you see in the Word.
5. From *God's Will Is Prosperity* by Gloria Copeland
    a. "Kenneth and I made that very commitment (the commitment to obey whatever they saw in the Word) years ago when we first began to find out how faith works. We agreed then that we would do whatever we saw in God's Word. Without even knowing it, we had placed ourselves in position to receive great financial blessings."
    b. "Our desire was to please God: we were committed to His Word. We didn't know how to believe God for material things. We didn't even know that the instructions in God's Word would always work to our advantage—even in this life."
    c. "When we first learned that God would meet our needs, we were living in Tulsa, Oklahoma, where Kenneth was enrolled in Oral Roberts University. We desired to please God with all of our hearts, and we had moved out in what little faith we knew."
    d. "Financially, times were hard. I really think that we were supernaturally in debt! No matter how hard we tried, we couldn't get out of debt; we just seemed to get in deeper and deeper. Borrowed money was our source. After we paid the bills, there was no money left for anything else."
    e. "Old obligations were left unpaid, and there was threat of a lawsuit. I can remember standing in the checkout line at the grocery store, praying in the spirit, and believing God that I had enough money to pay for the groceries in my basket. Whatever I had in my purse at the time was all we had!"
    f. "We didn't know then what we know now about operating in the laws of prosperity. We were just beginning to learn about the integrity of the Word: that you can depend on God's Word in the same way you depend on the word of a doctor, a lawyer or your very best friend."
    g. "We know that the Word of God never fails. We committed to do whatever we saw in the Word, no matter what it was."
    h. "Then we saw Romans 13:8…."

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B. Romans 13:8—"Owe no man any thing but to love one another."

1. "Surely God didn't mean that!"
2. "That scripture must mean something else!"
3. AMPC: "Keep out of debt and owe no man anything, except to love one another."
4. "It looked impossible to do anything without borrowing money. We had never considered paying cash for a car. We had never bought furniture. How would we ever have anything? The material possession I wanted most in the world was a home. Pay cash for a house? You must be kidding! Satan would say, 'You will never get it.' We actually did not know that we could receive all these things with our faith."
5. "We had a choice, but not a good one as far as we could tell. We had said, 'We are taking God's Word literally and whatever we see in it, that is what we will do.' But when we made that commitment, we did not know the Bible said, 'Keep out of debt.'"

C. From *The Laws of Prosperity* by Kenneth Copeland

1. "When Gloria and I first began to put the things we were learning into practice, we had nothing around us but problems. I had returned to college at the age of 30 and from there, God called us into a full-time ministry in His service."
2. "We were deeply in debt and lived in surroundings that were very poor. The job God called me to do required that I travel extensively preaching and teaching His Word, but our car was worn out. We had less than nothing. We were thousands of dollars in debt."
3. "God used His Word to set the standards by which we would operate. It had to be by faith or not at all. We made commitments that seemed so hard. We declared that we would never ask any man for anything including money and places to minister."
4. "We pledged ourselves and this ministry to Romans 13:8 that we would never borrow one cent. We would tell our needs only to God and expect what He was teaching us to produce. We prayed, confessed our faith and stood on God's Word when every circumstance spelled absolute doom. God's Word worked!"
5. "Things began to happen for us instead of to us. We began to grow. In eleven months, we were free from debt."

D. Make a Quality Decision to Live Debt Free

1. A quality decision
   a. It forever settles the issue.
   b. It is a decision of no retreat and no return.
   c. It is a memorial that settles all future decisions.
2. "The very moment you make the quality decision to live debt free, God sees you debt free."
3. Settle forever
   a. God is my Source—not people.
   b. I am not limited to a salary.
   c. It is God's will for me to live debt free.

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You Can Live Debt Free—Part 2

Day #34

A. Matthew 6:33—Seek First the Kingdom of God

1. "Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."
2. AMPC: "But seek (aim at and strive after) first of all His kingdom and His righteousness (His way of doing and being right), and then all these things taken together will be given you besides."
3. Kenneth and Gloria Copeland committed themselves to seek the kingdom by:
   a. Giving God's Word first place.
   b. Making God's Word final authority.
   c. Committing to obey whatever they saw in the Word.
4. Financial times were hard and they were in debt.
5. And then they saw Romans 13:8.

B. Romans 13:8—"Owe no man any thing but to love one another."

1. AMPC: "Keep out of debt and owe no man anything, except to love one another."
2. It looked impossible to do, but they did it.
3. They made a quality decision to live debt free.
4. A quality decision forever settles the issue, is a decision of no retreat and is a memorial that settles all future decisions.
5. They settled forever that God was their Source, they were not limited and it was God's will for them to live debt free.

C. What Kenneth and Gloria Copeland Did to Live Debt Free

—From *God's Will Is Prosperity* by Gloria Copeland

1. "We stopped using our charge accounts and began to believe God to get out of debt."
   a. "Everything we owned was 'buy now, pay later.'"
   b. "Sometimes it was much later!"
2. "We set our affections on God's Word."
   a. "We were determined to walk according to what we saw in the Word."
   b. "Things didn't come to us in one day. We had to build the Word of God into our spirits and walk in what we knew. We would get some of the Word in us and walk in it; get more Word in us and walk in that; get more Word in us and walk in that. We were involved in the Word almost every waking hour. Television was not interesting to us. Even the world events could not hold our attention."

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   c. "We were committed to the Word regardless and were not willing to borrow money."
3. "We devoted ourselves to God's Word literally day and night."
   a. Joshua 1:8 (AMPC): "This book of the law shall not depart out of your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, that you may observe and do according to all that is written in it. For then you shall make your way prosperous, and then you shall deal wisely and have good success."
4. "It was 11 months from the time that we first decided to believe God to get out of debt until that goal was achieved. During those 11 months, we stood fast on what we knew from God's Word."
5. From *The Laws of Prosperity* by Kenneth Copeland
   a. "We figured out how much we owed. I got my checkbook and wrote out the checks that would pay these debts. We laid hands on them and prayed according to Romans 13:8."
   b. "Father, in the Name of Jesus, I am putting these checks in this desk drawer and am believing You to get us out of this mess. I am looking to You for the money to pay all these debts, in the Name of Jesus."
   c. "I did not mail those checks until the money was in the bank!"
   d. "We figured to the last penny how much it would take to operate our household abundantly, even allowing for unexpected things. We wrote it down and prayed over it in the Name of Jesus."
   e. "I made up my mind to be single-minded from that day forward. In less than 12 months from that day, we did not owe anything!"

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The Grace of Giving

Day #35

A. 2 Corinthians 8:7—The Grace of Giving

1. "Therefore, as ye abound in every thing, in faith, in utterance, and knowledge, and in all diligence, and in your love to us, see that ye abound in this grace also."
2. "It grieves Me when the church takes offerings. I said to worship Me. Don't take from the people, but let them bring it and worship Me. Then they will see the fruit of their giving." —word from the Lord to Lynne Hammond
3. "We must learn to excel at the grace of giving." —Gloria Copeland

B. 2 Corinthians 9:6—Give Willingly

1. AMPC: "Remember this: he who sows sparingly and grudgingly will also reap sparingly and grudgingly, and he who sows generously [that blessings may come to someone] will also reap generously and with blessings."
   a. It is not the amount.
   b. It is the attitude.
2. Exodus 35:4-5: "This is the thing which the Lord commanded, saying, Take ye from among you an offering unto the Lord: whosoever is of a willing heart, let him bring it."
3. Mark 12:41-44 (NLT): "…They gave a tiny part of their surplus [grudgingly], but she, poor as she is, has given everything she had to live on [willingly and bountifully]."

C. 2 Corinthians 9:7—Give From the Heart

1. AMPC: "Let each one [give] as he has made up his own mind and purposed in his heart."
2. JBP: "Let everyone give as his heart tells him."
3. Exodus 35:20-21: "And all the congregation of the children of Israel departed from the presence of Moses. And they came, every one whose heart stirred him up, and every one whom his spirit made willing, and they brought the Lord's offering to the work of the tabernacle."
   a. *Stirred* (HEB) = Moved, inspired, directed, led

D. 2 Corinthians 9:7—Give Cheerfully

1. "Not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver."
2. AMPC: "Not reluctantly or sorrowfully or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful (joyous, "prompt to do it") giver [whose heart is in his giving]."
3. *Cheerful* (GK) HILAROS = hilarious and joyful

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E. 2 Corinthians 9:8—The Result of Excelling at the Grace of Giving

1. "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. AMPC: "God is able to make all grace (every favor and earthly blessing) come to you in abundance, so that you may always and under all circumstances and whatever the need be self-sufficient [possessing enough to require no aid or support and furnished in abundance for every good work and charitable donation]."
3. NLT: "And God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left to share with others."

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The God of the Breakthrough Will Visit Your House

Day #36

A. Jerry Savelle Experienced a Visitation From the Lord in February 2004

1. He had just arrived in Liberty, Texas, to preach.
2. He checked into the hotel and was going to rest before the service.
3. The Lord visited Brother Jerry and spoke a word to him.
4. "My people are overwhelmed by financial attacks. I want you to tell them that the God of the breakthrough will visit their home. Tell them that they know Me as Savior, Redeemer and soon-coming King—but they don't know Me as the God of the breakthrough. If they did, they wouldn't be so quick to give up. I want you to show them how to position themselves to receive the God of the breakthrough into their home."
5. The Lord then took him to 1 Kings 17:8-16 and gave him three keys that will produce supernatural breakthrough.

B. The Three Keys That Will Produce Supernatural Breakthrough

1. Key No. 1—A supernatural breakthrough requires a prophetic word from God.
   a. A *rhema* word—a specific word relevant for right now
   b. The prophet told the woman if she did what he said to do, she would experience a breakthrough.
      i. Verse 13: Make me a cake first.
   c. Psalm 85:8: "I will hear what God the Lord will speak: for he will speak peace unto his people, and to his saints."
      i. AMPC: "I will listen with expectancy to what God the Lord will say."
      ii. Set time aside to hear the plan of God for your breakthrough.
2. Key No. 2—A supernatural breakthrough requires a willingness to receive and obey the prophetic word.
   a. The widow went and did what the prophet told her to do.
   b. Isaiah 1:19 If you be willing and obedient, you will eat the good of the land.
3. Key No. 3—A supernatural breakthrough requires the sowing of a significant seed.
   a. A significant seed is a seed that is valuable to you.
   b. Verses 15-16: "She went and did according to the saying of Elijah: and she, and he, and her house, did eat many days [HEB—a full year]. The barrel of meal wasted not, neither did the cruse of oil fail."
   c. As a result of the significant seed, God turned her "have not" into "plenty."
      i. Mark 12:41-44—The widow's mite
      ii. While in the hospital, Oral Roberts told Evelyn to sow the biggest seed possible. The result was the lengthening of his years and ministry.

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C. What to Expect When You Do These Three Keys

1. Expect God to bring you out of bondage.
    a. Genesis 50:24: "Joseph said unto his brethren, I die: and God will surely visit you, and bring you out of this land unto the land which he sware to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob."
2. Expect God to bless you with His favor like never before.
    a. Job 10:12: "Thou hast granted me life and favour, and thy visitation hath preserved my spirit."
3. Expect God to bring supernatural increase to your house.
    a. Psalm 65:9: "You visitest the earth and waterest it: you greatly enrichest it with the river of God which is full of water: thou preparest them corn, when thou hast so provided for it."

D. The God of Your Breakthrough

1. John 14:6: Jesus said, "I am the way."
2. Jesus says, "I have made a way for you where there is no way."
3. 1 Chronicles 14:11: "So they came up to Baalperazim; and David smote [the Philistines] there. Then David said, God has broken in upon mine enemies by mine hand like the breaking forth of waters: therefore they call the name of that place Baalperazim."
4. AMPC: "Therefore they called the name of that place Baal-perazim [Lord of breaking through]."
5. "The depth of your praise will determine the magnitude of your harvest." —Jerry Savelle

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Sow Your Way Out of Financial Pressure

Day #37

A. Ecclesiastes 11:4—"He that observeth the wind shall not sow; and he that regardeth the clouds shall not reap."

1. When money gets tight and the pressure is on, it is always a temptation to cut down on your giving.
2. It seems like the "logical" thing to do.
3. Don't do that!
4. You cut off the flow of God's financial blessings just when you need it the most.
5. The right way to defeat an attack of lack is to sow your way out.

B. "Lord, I Need $1 Million!"

1. Many years ago, KCM was behind financially.
2. Kenneth and Gloria had seen God provide over and over.
3. This was a tough one—all the prayers and the faith that had brought them previous victory didn't seem to get the job done.
4. By the end of the year, the deficit was $1 million.
5. Kenneth went before the Lord:
   a. "Lord, I need $1 million."
   b. The Lord replied, "No you don't!"
   c. "When you talk to the Lord about your need, He will talk to you about sowing seed." —Jerry Savelle

C. Proverbs 11:24 (NLT)—"Give freely and become more wealthy; be stingy and lose everything."

1. The Lord told Kenneth that the red ink on the books was not the only thing wrong.
2. There was a bigger problem behind it.
3. He showed Kenneth that he needed to start giving 10 percent of the ministry's income into ministering to the poor.
4. How do you solve a deficit by giving?
5. As KCM began to sow the 10 percent, the million dollar deficit began to disappear.

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Don't Forget to Factor the Anointing

Day #38

A. Ephesians 2:12-13—The Missing Element

1. People experience financial demands during challenging times.
2. They are trying to figure out how to supply their own need.
3. Under the pressure, they forget to include the key element that would completely alter their financial condition.
4. Ephesians 2:12-13: "Ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world: But now in Christ Jesus, ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ."
5. They forget about the Anointed One and His Anointing.

B. Luke 4:18—19—The Purpose of the Anointing

1. Verses 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."
2. The acceptable year of the Lord
   a. The year of Jubilee
   b. The year when all debts were canceled and released
   c. AMPC: "The day when salvation and the free favors of God profusely abound."
3. Verse 21: "This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears"—right now!
4. Isaiah 10:27: "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."
   a. *Burden*—a heavy load carried with great difficulty; to be weighed down
   b. *Yoke*—agency of oppression, slavery and servitude
      i. A symbol of subjection
      ii. Roman times—a defeated army was made to "walk under the yoke" as a symbol of defeat and humiliation.
5. The anointing for prosperity.
   a. *To anoint*—is God's provision poured over, smeared on and rubbed into our financial lives.
   b. It is the burden-removing, yoke-destroying power of God.

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i. The power of God that removes the burden of lack
ii. The power of God that destroys the yoke of debt

c. It is the power of God on our lives doing only what God can do.
d. It is God's "super" abundance added to our "natural" situation.

C. Don't Forget to Factor the Anointing!

1. *Factor*—to include as an essential element
2. The anointing will make a way where there is no way.
3. The anointing will accelerate the increase of your storehouses.
4. The anointing will wipe out outstanding debts.
5. The anointing of God will reveal the wisdom you need to thrive and not just survive in these times.

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Prosperity and Praise

Day #39

"The depth of your praise will determine the magnitude of your harvest."
—Jerry Savelle

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

1. AMPC: "Let us not lose heart and grow weary and faint in acting nobly and doing right, for in due time and at the appointed season we shall reap, if we do not loosen and relax our courage and faint."
2. Many lose heart and complain that their sowing is not working.
   a. How foolish it would be for a farmer to dig up his seed the day after it was planted because he didn't see results.
   b. It is just as foolish for a believer to dig up his seed because he didn't see results.
3. What do we do between the time we sow our seed and reap our harvest?
4. There is one key factor that will bring your seed all the way through to full harvest.
5. "The depth of your praise will determine the magnitude of your harvest." —Jerry Savelle

B. The Power of Praise

1. What praise does for us
   a. Praise gives voice to our faith.
   b. Praise is the expression of utmost confidence in God's Word.
   c. Praise helps things "move along."
2. Psalm 8:2: "Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings hast thou ordained [praise] because of thine enemies, that thou mightest still enemy and the avenger."
   a. Praise stops the enemy of lack.
3. Psalm 9:1-3: "I will praise thee, O Lord, with my whole heart; I will show forth all thy marvellous works. I will be glad and rejoice in thee: I will sing praise to thy name, O thou most High. When mine enemies are turned back, they shall fall and perish at thy presence."
   a. Praise pushes back lack.
   b. Praise causes lack to fall and perish.
   c. Praise brings the presence of God on the scene.
4. Psalm 22:3: "But thou art holy, O thou that inhabitest the praises of Israel."
   a. The Supernatural Provider inhabits our praise.
5. Habakkuk 3:17-19: "Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the

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vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls: Yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation. The Lord God is my strength, and he will make my feet like hinds' feet, and he will make me to walk upon mine high places."

a. HEB: "I will joy in the God of my prosperity and deliverance."
b. HEB: "The Lord God is my wealth."

C. Psalm 67:5-7—"Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee. Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us. God shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear Him."

1. Increase comes from praise
2. Verse 7 (MSG): "You mark us with blessing."
3. Testimony from a family who praises God
   a. An EMIC family travels from rural Oklahoma to church every Sunday.
   b. Several years ago, they brought to me a huge watermelon from their garden.
   c. It was during a severe dry season and their garden was the only one producing.
   d. This year, they decided to let their land rest.
   e. The land yielded a full harvest in spite of the fact that they did not even sow—they just kept praising God!!

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Take It!

Day #40

A. Joshua 18:1-3—"How long are ye slack to go to posses the land, which the Lord God of your fathers hath given you?"

1. NLT: "How long are you going to wait before taking possession of the remaining land the Lord, the God of your ancestors, has given to you?"
2. GNT: "How long are you going to wait before you go in and take the land?"
3. MSG: "How long are you going to sit around on your hands, putting off taking possession of the land that God, the God of your ancestors has given you?"
4. *Slack* (HEB)
   a. Postpone, put off and waste time
   b. Slow, sluggish and lazy
5. How long are you going to put off and be spiritually lazy taking what is yours in Christ?

B. Mark 11:22-24—Faith Takes!

1. *Faith* (GK) PISTIS = full persuasion and conviction
2. Faith is never passive, retreating or backward.
   a. Hebrews 10:38-39: "The just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him. But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul."
3. Faith is an aggressive force.
   a. Faith is always moving forward.
   b. Faith continually reaches for its goal.
   c. Hebrews 11:33: Who through faith they subdued, possessed and conquered kingdoms
4. Mark 11:24: "Believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them."
   a. (GK) Take it with much force
   b. (GK) Get hold of
   c. (GK) Seize with a grip which cannot be shaken off
5. Matthew 11:12: "From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force."
   a. We take what is ours with the force of faith
   b. To take by force (GK) HARPADZO
      i. Harpoon
      ii. To pull
      iii. "Moby Dick" says it all!

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C. Nehemiah 9:21-25—Go In and Take the Land!

1. Verse 24: "So the children went in and possessed the land."
    a. They went in and took it.
2. Verse 25: "And they took strong cities, and a fat [rich, plenteous and wealthy] land, and possessed houses full of all goods, wells digged, vineyards, and oliveyards, and fruit trees in abundance."
3. Verse 25: "So they did eat, and were filled, and became fat [rich, plenteous and wealthy], and delighted themselves in thy great goodness."
4. Jesus paid the price for us to walk in the blessing of Abraham.
5. Take it in Jesus' Name!!

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10 Glorious Days of Prosperity

Living in Days of Prosperity

Day #41

A. Psalm 25:12-13—Days of Prosperity

1. NIV: "Who, then, are those who fear the Lord? He will instruct them in the ways they should choose. They will spend their days in prosperity, and their descendants will inherit the land."
2. NLT: "They will live in prosperity."
3. KJV: "His soul shall dwell at ease."
    a. *Ease* (HEB) = prosperity, bountiful wealth and good in the widest possible sense

B. Job 36:11—Years of Pleasures

1. "If they obey and serve him, they shall spend their days in prosperity and their years in pleasures."
2. *Pleasures* (HEB): Your years will be delightful, pleasant and sweet.
3. AMPC: Years in pleasantness and joy
4. NLT: "If they listen and obey God, they will be blessed with prosperity throughout their lives. All their years will be pleasant."
5. Isaiah 1:19: "If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land."
    a. MSG: "If you'll willingly obey, you'll feast like kings."

C. Expect Prosperity Every Day for the Rest of Your Life

1. Psalm 68:19: "Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation."
    a. BBE: "[He] is our support day by day."
    b. DRB: "He will make our journey prosperous."
2. Matthew 6:11: "Give us this day our daily bread."
    a. DRB: "Give us this day our supersubstantial bread."
3. Job 36:11 (NIV): "If they obey and serve him, they will spend the rest of their days in prosperity and their years in contentment."
    a. *Spend* (HEB) = complete, live out, accomplish and end his days in prosperity
    b. Psalm 92:12-14: "The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree: he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon. Those that be planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God. They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and flourishing."

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We Lack Nothing—Part 1

Day #42

A. Luke 22:35—Did You Lack Anything?

1. GW: "Then Jesus said to them, 'When I sent you out without a wallet, traveling bag, or sandals, you didn't lack anything, did you?' 'Not a thing!' they answered."
2. *Lack* (GK) = fall short, come behind, be destitute, be deficient
3. When we believe God and stand on His Word, we will not fall short, come behind, be destitute or be deficient in anything

B. 1 Thessalonians 4:11-12—That You May Have Lack of Nothing

1. "Study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you; that ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and that you may have lack of nothing."
2. AMPC: "Make it your ambition and definitely endeavor to live quietly and peacefully, to mind your own affairs, and to work with your hands, as we charged you, so that you may bear yourselves becomingly and be correct and honorable and command the respect of the outside world, being dependent on nobody [self-supporting] and having need of nothing."
3. GNB: "In this way you will win the respect of those who are not believers, and you will not have to depend on anyone for what you need."

C. James 1:2-6—Perfect and Entire, Wanting Nothing

1. "Count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing. If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him. But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering."
2. Various "wanting nothing" translations
   a. ASV: Lacking in nothing
   b. BBE: Needing nothing
   c. CEV: Not lacking in anything
   d. DRB: Failing in nothing
   e. GW: You won't need anything.
   f. MSG: Not deficient in any way
3. If any of you lacks provision, let him ask of God, who gives to all men liberally.

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We Lack Nothing—Part 2

Day #43

A. Luke 22:35—Did You Lack Anything?

1. CEV: "Jesus asked his disciples, 'When I sent you out without a moneybag or a traveling bag or sandals, did you need anything?' 'No!' they answered."
2. The disciples grew in their revelation of God's provision.
3. Verse 36 (AMPC): "But now let him who has a purse take it, and also [his provision] bag; and let him that has no sword sell his mantle and buy a sword."

B. Jeremiah 23:4—Neither Shall They be Lacking

1. "I will set up shepherds over them which shall feed them: and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall they be lacking."
2. It is the responsibility of the ministers to teach their congregations the laws that govern supernatural abundance and provision in these economic times so that their congregations do not lack anything.
3. Luke 4:18: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor."
    a. The poor don't have to be poor anymore.
    b. They don't have to lack anything.

C. 2 Corinthians 9:8—Furnished in Abundance

1. AMPC: "God is able to make all grace (every favor and earthly blessing) come to you in abundance, so that you may always and under all circumstances and whatever the need be self-sufficient [possessing enough to require no aid or support and furnished in abundance for every good work and charitable donation]."
    a. KJV: Having all sufficiency
    b. BBE: Having enough of all things
    c. RSV: You may always have enough of everything.
2. Psalm 34:9-10: "Fear the Lord, ye his saints: for there is no want to them that fear him. The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the Lord [AMPC—on the authority of His Word] shall not want any good thing."
3. Psalm 37:25: "I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread."
4. Psalm 84:11: "For the Lord God is a sun and shield: the Lord will give grace and glory: no good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly."
5. James 1:17 (AMPC): "Every good gift and every perfect (free, large, full) gift is from above; it comes down from the Father of all [that gives] light."

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Now Is Not the Time to Quit Tithing—Part 1

Day #44

A. Recent Survey Concerning the Economy's Effect on Giving

1. "The economy has changed many aspects of American life. A new research study explores how the charitable landscape has changed over the last two and a half years. The study examines how many Americans have been affected by the economic downturn, how this has influenced their donations and their outlook on economic recovery."
2. "Church giving has declined since the beginning of this year:
   a. 24% have stopped all giving to churches.
   b. 17% have decreased their giving by 20% or less.
   c. 7% have lessened their donations by 20% to 45%.
   d. 17% have reduced their giving by half.
   e. 12% have decreased their giving by more than half."
3. "The study revealed that the number of people who are tithing has also dropped.
   a. The practice of tithing—donating at least 10% of one's income to churches or other charities—has been relatively stable over the past decade, hovering between 5% and 7%.
   b. Currently, the national tithing rate is down to 4% of the adult population."
4. "It is true that many Americans are living on less due to salary reductions, furloughs, loss of jobs or the inability to get a position that matched a previous salary. These are difficult circumstances for anyone to face and could have a legitimate influence on donations."
5. "However, most of the survey indicators focus less on the amount of dollars donated and more on the underlying attitudes and generosity of Americans. Most Americans think of their giving as secondary to their survival. Yet, from a biblical perspective, generosity should be part of the Christian's fundamental response to the downturn."

"Now is not the time to quit tithing!"

B. Malachi 3:10-12—Bring Ye All the Tithes

1. The tithe is the 10 percent of all our income.
2. Tithing is the faith action by which we bring the 10 percent to Jesus—the High Priest of the tithe.
3. The tithe goes to where we are fed so that we can continue to be fed.
4. God uses the 10 percent to reinvest into our spiritual welfare and benefit.
5. Tithing is the only place in the Bible where God says, "Prove Me."

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C. Leviticus 27:30, 32—The Tithe Belongs to God

1. Verse 30: All the tithe is holy unto the Lord.
2. Verse 32: "The tenth shall be holy unto the Lord."
3. *Holy* (HEB) = separated from, consecrated to
4. We are to worship God with our tithe.
5. The tithe gives God the opportunity to fulfill His covenant and protect the other 90 percent.
    a. The tithe places us under warranty.
    b. Everything is covered.

D. A.W. Copeland's Testimony About Tithing During the Great Depression

From the August 1980 *Believer's Voice of Victory* Magazine

In looking back over the years, more specifically the years of the Depression, Vinita and I can see how God really took care of us. He kept me in jobs when there were no jobs. Because of our decision to live for Him, He made sure that our every need was met.

Even though the Depression years were hard for many, we now see how the Lord met our needs and kept us. The Depression never did have any devastating effect on our lives because we knew the Lord.

One of the real keys that kept us going was the fact that we were tithing. Whether we were working for a salary or on the farm, we tithed. When I made Jesus the Lord of my life, I also made Him Lord over everything I had.

We never missed a payment on our home or any of the cars we owned. I just kept on working and we just kept on tithing. We never lacked anything.

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Now Is Not the Time to Quit Tithing—Part 2

Day #45

A. Now Is Not the Time to Quit Tithing

1. Recent survey reports that giving and tithing is down.
2. Malachi 3:8-12—The tithe is the 10 percent of our income and tithing is the process of giving it by faith.
3. The tithe goes to where we are spiritually fed so we can continue to be fed.
4. Leviticus 27:30, 32—The tithe belongs to God and He reinvests it for our benefit.
5. "One of the real keys that kept us going was the fact that we were tithing. We never missed a payment. I just kept on working and we just kept on tithing. We never lacked anything." —A.W. Copeland, referring to tithing during the Great Depression

B. Deuteronomy 26:1-15—The Proper Handling of the Tithe

1. Tithing is the faith action that sets the covenant of blessing in motion that opens the windows of heaven.
2. Tithing is done with words of faith, prayerfully and by love.
3. Hebrews 3:1, 7:8—Jesus is the High Priest of the tithe.
4. Jesus takes your tithes and presents them to the Father.
5. 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."

C. Proverbs 3:9-10—Tithing Produces the Overflow

1. "Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase: So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine."
2. AMPC: "Honor the Lord with your capital and sufficiency [from righteous labors] and with the firstfruits of all your income; so shall your storage places be filled with plenty, and your vats shall be overflowing with new wine."
3. MSG: "Honor God with everything you own; give him the first and the best. Your barns will burst, and your wine vats will brim over."

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D. A Farmer's Experiment in Tithing

From a book written in 1940 by a farmer named Perry Hayden

Perry Hayden heard his pastor preach a message about tithing.

He decided to try an experiment to see how much harvest a seed would produce.

His plan was to sow one cubic inch of wheat—360 kernels. He committed to the Lord that, for a period of six years, he would tithe 10 percent of the harvest and sow the rest.

In the first year, it took a 4-foot by 8-foot plot of land to sow one cubic inch of seed. At harvest time, he scraped the ground in order to get every kernel of wheat. Every precious seed counted. The first year produced a fiftyfold harvest.

He tithed 10 percent.

In the second year, it took 24' x 60' plot of land to sow the seed from the harvest of the first year.

He tithed 10 percent.

In the third year, it took three-quarters of an acre to sow.

He tithed 10 percent.

In the fourth year, it took 14 acres to sow.

He tithed 10 percent.

In the fifth year, it took 230 acres to sow.

He tithed 10 percent.

By the sixth year, it took over 2600 acres to sow 5,000 bushels.

Three hundred sixty kernels had turned into 55 billion. And the largest yield was only fiftyfold. Perry Hayden made $288,000 in six years compared to the other farmers who only made an average of $21,000.

The experiment worked. God can bless your harvest when you tithe.

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How to Believe God for a House—Part 1

Day #46

A. Romans 13:8 (AMPC)—Keep Out of Debt

1. In 1967, Kenneth and Gloria determined that whatever they saw in God's Word, they would do.
2. "If faith won't get it, we won't have it. If the Word won't get it, we don't need it."
3. Then they found Romans 13:8 (AMPC) that says, "Keep out of debt and owe no man anything, except to love one another."
4. They committed to live debt free.
5. From *God's Will Is Prosperity* by Gloria Copeland
    a. "The first thing I began to believe God for was a home."
    b. "But what about Romans 13:8? It says that we are to owe no man anything but to love him. How can you believe God for enough money to buy a home?
    c. "This is one area most people think impossible."
    d. "Many have made the statement, 'Surely you don't have to believe for a home without borrowing money!'"

B. 2 Corinthians 9:8 (AMPC)—"I hung my faith on that scripture."

1. "Satan told me that there was no way I could have a home without borrowing money for it."
2. "Believing God was the only way I could have my home."
3. "Satan would come to me with doubt and unbelief, and tell me that there was no way that we could buy a house without going into debt. When he would do that, I would trust in and continually confess 2 Corinthians 9:8 (AMPC). It gave me the comfort and strength I needed to stand in faith."
4. "And God is able to make all grace (every favor and earthly blessing) come to you in abundance, so that you may always and under all circumstances and whatever the need be self-sufficient [possessing enough to require no aid or support and furnished in abundance for every good work and charitable donation]."
5. "I hung my faith on that scripture."
    a. "The Word says that He is able to get it to you."
    b. "Don't look to your job."
    c. "Keep your eye single on the Word."
    d. "He is able to get things done."

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C. James 1:5-8—Stay Single-Minded on the Word

1. "When I believe God for something, I don't waver."
2. "I have made a quality decision that the Word is true."
3. "I have built into myself a reliance on God's Word."
4. "I believe His Word more than I believe what I can see or feel."
5. "As I have heard Kenneth Hagin say, 'If you are determined to stand forever, it won't take very long.'"
    a. "That's the way I am when I am believing God for something."
    b. "I could stand forever if necessary."

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How to Believe God for a House—Part 2

Day #47

A. Deuteronomy 6:10-11 (AMPC)—Houses Full of All Good Things

1. "We began believing God for the perfect home when we lived in Tulsa, Okla., in 1968."
2. "At the same time, there was a lady in Fort Worth, Texas, who started building her home."
3. "It was several years before I saw that home, but the floor plan was exactly what we needed to meet our needs as a family. It was perfect for us."
4. "She began to build it at the very time we began to believe for it."
5. "God started to work immediately."

B. Every Step Is a Step of Faith

1. "We leased the house for one year and agreed to pay cash for it at the end of that year."
2. "We lived well. But as far as having that much money in cash, we just didn't have it. In the natural there was no reason to expect to have it, but in the spirit we knew our God was able."
3. "When we moved in, the house was in need of repair. It needed to be completely remodeled, so I was faced with a decision."
   a. "I had enough money to start the remodeling."
   b. "This is not our house legally. It would be unwise to put thousands of dollars into a house that doesn't even belong to us."
4. "As an act of faith, I went to work."
5. "When Satan would say, 'That sure is a lot of money for you to lose,' I would answer, 'No, in the Name of Jesus. This is my house and it will be paid for in July. We will pay cash for it and I believe I have the money in the Name of Jesus!'"

C. Galatians 3:13-14—The Revelation of Divine Prosperity

1. "Our commitment years before to stay out of debt made the difference."
2. "If we had not committed to God's Word then, we would not know what we know today about God's system of finance."
3. "One day as I was standing in my house, looking out the window and thinking about these things, God gave me what I would call a revelation of divine prosperity."
   a. "Divine prosperity works exactly the same way as divine healing."
   b. "We would allow symptoms of lack to come on us and stay there. We were willing to tolerate them."
   c. "I realized that Jesus bore the curse of poverty at the same time He bore the curse of sickness."

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4. "You can believe for divine prosperity just as you believe for divine health. Both blessings already belong to you. You should refuse lack just as quickly as you refuse sickness."
5. "If you make up your mind—make a quality decision—that you are not willing to live in lack, but that you are willing to live in divine prosperity and abundance, Satan cannot stop the flow of God's financial blessings."

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How to Believe God for a House—Part 3

Day #48

A. Galatians 3:13-14—The Revelation of Divine Prosperity

1. Kenneth and Gloria were leasing a house, believing God to buy it at the end of a year.
2. The Lord began to give Gloria revelations of how to believe God for her house.
3. The first revelation was a revelation of divine prosperity.
4. The Lord showed her that she was to stand in faith for her prosperity in the same way that she would stand in faith for her healing.
5. "You begin to walk in divine prosperity with a decision to no longer allow Satan to put symptoms of lack on you."

B. Isaiah 53:5, 48:17-18—The Revelation of Peace and Prosperity

1. Isaiah 53:5: "The chastisement of our peace was upon him."
2. Isaiah 48:17-18 (AMPC): "Thus says the Lord, your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel: I am the Lord your God, Who teaches you to profit, Who leads you in the way that you should go. Oh, that you had hearkened to My commandments! Then your peace and prosperity would have been like a flowing river, and your righteousness [the holiness and purity of the nation] like the [abundant] waves of the sea."
3. Genesis 15:1, AMPC: "Peace and well-being include a prosperous life. God told Abram, 'Fear not, Abram, I am your Shield, your abundant compensation, and your reward shall be exceedingly great.'"
    a. Abundant compensation is far-reaching.
    b. Abundant compensation means everything.
    c. It enveloped Abraham in a blanket of well-being.
4. Peace and prosperity go hand in hand. Your prosperity has already been provided for you. Prosperity is yours.
5. *Peace* (HEB) = nothing missing, nothing broken

C. Genesis 1:26-28—The Revelation of Dominion and Authority

1. Divine prosperity and abundance belong to you now.
2. We, as born-again believers, have the same authority over the earth that Adam had in the Garden of Eden.
3. Verse 28 (AMPC): "And God blessed them and said to them, Be fruitful, multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it [using all its vast resources…]."
4. "While we were standing in faith for the money to pay for our house, the Lord reminded

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me of this scripture and revealed to me that every material thing here came from the earth's vast resources. Every piece of lumber, brick, glass, concrete, mortar—there was nothing in the makeup of our house that had not come from the earth's resources."

a. "I wasn't taking authority over something that belonged to someone else. That house was up for sale."
b. "The people had relinquished their authority when they put it on the market."
c. "I had the right to take authority over it and receive it as mine in the Name of Jesus."

5. "I began to see that I already had authority over that house and authority over the money I needed to purchase it. I said, 'In the Name of Jesus, I take authority over the money I need. I command you to come to me. I take my place and I take dominion over that which I need. I command it to come in Jesus' Name. Ministering spirits, you go and cause it to come.'"

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Just How Far Will You Go on the Word?

A Partner Letter by Kenneth Copeland

Dear Partner,

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.

Jesus was teaching on the sower soweth the Word. The object of His teaching was how to produce a hundredfold in this life by using God's Word. Notice in verse 20 it says, "...some thirtyfold, some sixty, and some an hundred." Why did some produce more than others? Were the people who produced a hundredfold better ground than those who only brought forth thirty- or sixtyfold? No. The Word says they were all good ground. We know that God is no respecter of persons, so He didn't just decide to bless one more than the other. They all heard the Word and received it. Something had to make the difference.

We hear people say things like, "Well, you know, these things are just not meant to work for some as well as they do for others." Of course, the person who thinks that way always places himself in the category with those who it does not work as well for.

If we read the rest of Jesus' teaching through verse 32, we find that the seed, or the Word, is what produces. Once we see this, it is obvious that the amount of production is in direct relation to the amount of seed sown. Remember, we are not talking about sowing in bad ground. We have already come past that. We are talking about different levels of production in good ground.

Ask yourself these questions: "Just how far will I go on the Word? Where is my compromise point?" The Word says in Ephesians 6: "Having done <u>all,</u> to stand."

Many people ask me if I believe it is a sin to borrow money. The answer is no. It is no more a sin to go to a banker than to go to a doctor. Of course, there are instances that it would be sin—to borrow knowing you can't pay it back is sin.

When God told Israel that He would make them plenteous in goods and they would lend to many and borrow from none, He meant He would supply them better than if they went to another nation.

The point I want to make is this. When Gloria and I decided to owe no man

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anything, we made that decision to glorify God and please God by walking by faith. We started by making the quality decision to borrow no more and released our faith to pay all the debts we owed. We were faced with believing for our everyday supply.

We learned to believe for the small things first. As God taught us to prosper, the day came when we knew we were ready to have a home. We were faced with the same question I told you to ask yourself. How far will we go on the Word? We made the decision then that if we ever had a choice, we would use our faith instead of some other source.

It took nearly eight years to get that house by faith. We were in a good enough financial position to have borrowed the money and lived in a better house than the one we were living in all those eight years. Believe me, the faith way was better.

We have the perfect home. It is not just a nice home. It became ours through God working miracles. We began by producing thirtyfold. We grew to sixtyfold. We have grown in this area to a hundredfold on God's Word. Each time before we grew, we were faced with the same question: How far will I go? The Word is strong enough in any situation we are ever faced with to go all the way.

Once the decision is made to increase our capacity for faith and grow in any area, we must then begin to meditate the Word in that area. Give the Holy Spirit the opportunity to teach us and train us in what we need to know in order to produce the hundredfold.

Then came confession. The words of our mouths must continually confess the Word that we are meditating. We must not tolerate any thoughts or actions that do not correspond to what we are meditating and confessing. Having done all to stand, stand therefore, forever if necessary. The growth will come.

You will not only be blessed with the manifestation of what you have believed for, but you will be filled with the joy of knowing your Father is pleased—which is far greater than any physical manifestation of any kind. You hear His voice deep in your spirit saying, "Well done, good and faithful servant."

Jesus Is Lord,

Kenneth Copeland

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How to Believe God for a House—Part 4

Day #49

A. Ephesians 6:13-14—The Stand of Faith

1. "It was six years from the time we started believing God for the perfect home until we moved into the home we live in now."
2. "At the end of the year's lease, we paid cash for our 'faith house.'"
3. "I am still not sure how, except by faith in God's Word."
4. "Had we borrowed the money, we would still have 35 years to pay!"
5. "Thank God, borrowed money is not our source—HE IS!"

B. This Must Become a Revelation to You

1. "You cannot receive these things just because I tell you about them."
2. "They must become real to you."
3. "You have to take the scriptures on prosperity and meditate on them until they become a reality in your heart, until you know that prosperity belongs to you."
4. "Once you have a revelation of divine prosperity in your spirit, you won't allow Satan to take it from you."
5. "The Word of God is the source of your prosperity."

C. Excerpt From a Partner Letter by Kenneth Copeland

1. Ask yourself: "Just how far will I go on the Word?"
2. "Many people ask me if I believe it is a sin to borrow money. The answer is no. It is no more a sin to go to a banker than to go to a doctor. Of course, there are instances it would be sin—to borrow knowing you can't pay it back is sin. When God told Israel that He would make them plenteous in goods and they would lend to many nations and borrow from none, He meant He would supply them better than if they went to another nation."
3. "When Gloria and I decided to owe no man anything, we made that decision to glorify God and please God by walking by faith. We started by making the quality decision to borrow no more and released our faith to pay all the debts we owed. We were faced with believing for our everyday supply. We learned to believe for the small things first."
4. "As God taught us to prosper, the day came when we knew we were ready to have a home. We were faced with the same question I told you to ask yourself. How far will we go on the Word? We made the decision then if we ever had a choice we would use our faith instead of some other source."

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5. "It took the most part of eight years to get that house by faith. We were in a good enough financial position to have borrowed the money and lived in a better house than the one we were living in all of those eight years. Believe me, the faith way was better. We have the perfect home. It is not just a nice home…. The Word is strong enough in any situation."

D. Seven House Scriptures

1. Proverbs 24:3-4: "Through wisdom is an house builded and by understanding it is established: And by knowledge shall the chambers be filled with all precious and pleasant riches."
2. Proverbs 15:6: "In the house of the righteous is much treasure."
3. 1 Kings 6:38: "The house [was] finished throughout all the parts thereof."
4. Proverbs 12:7: "The house of the righteous shall stand."
5. Proverbs 3:33: "[God] blesseth the habitation of the just."
6. Hebrews 11:10: "[The] builder and maker is God."
7. Ephesians 2:21: "The building [is] fitly framed together."

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Jesus—Our Jubilee!

Day #50

A. Luke 4:16-21—The Reason Jesus Came, The Message Jesus Preached

1. Isaiah 61:1-2: "The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me; because the Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord."
2. Various translations
   a. *Brenton*—the day of recompense
   b. MSG—the year of His grace
   c. AMPC—the year for His favor
3. Verse 19 (AMPC): "To proclaim the accepted and acceptable year of the Lord [the day when salvation and the free favors of God profusely abound]."

B. Leviticus 25:9-13—The Acceptable Year of the Lord

1. The Jubilee was a culmination of all Sabbaths.
2. Every seventh day was a Sabbath to the Lord, a day of rest.
3. Every seven years, the land was to rest and no planting was to be done.
4. After "seven years of Sabbaths," or 49 years, the 50th year was to be the final Sabbath before the whole cycle began again.
5. The year of Jubilee began on the Day of Atonement with the sound of the trumpet. During the next year, all property was returned to its original owner, all slaves were set free and all debts were released.
6. No one was excluded because all residents of the land qualified.
7. Social status, color, sex or financial position did not matter.
8. Every inhabitant of the land could claim back his or her property from 50 years before
9. But the Jubilee of Israel only lasted one year.
10. After that, you would have to wait 49 more years for liberation to come around again.

C. Luke 4:21—Jesus Is Our Eternal Jubilee

1. Verse 21: "This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears."
   a. CEV: "What you have just heard me read has come true today."
2. The Jubilee became a Person that day—not just a year in time.
3. Our Jubilee has come and He is living in us now!
4. We have been liberated from the curse of the law forever—and we don't have to wait 50 years.

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5. It is time to sound the trumpet of freedom!
    a. We are free from slavery to Satan.
    b. We are free from sickness and disease.
    c. We are free from fear.
    d. We are free from debt, lack and poverty.
    e. We are free to receive the fullness of The Blessing.

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10 Days of Kingdom Prosperity

A Kingdom Transfer

Day #51

A. Colossians 1:12-14—Transferred From One Kingdom to Another

1. Verses 13-14 (NLT): "He has rescued us from the kingdom of darkness and transferred us into the Kingdom of his dear Son, who purchased our freedom and forgave our sins."
   a. Some translations add, "with His blood."
   b. AMPC: "The Father has delivered and drawn us to Himself out of the control and the dominion of darkness and has transferred us into the kingdom of the Son of His love."
2. 1 Peter 2:9-10: "But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should show forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light; which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy."
   a. Darkness is lack, poverty and shortage.
   b. Darkness is a manifestation of the curse.
3. We no longer live under the dominion, rule and control of the kingdom of darkness.

B. John 17:14-17—Jesus Separated Us From Evil and the World's Failing System

1. Matthew 6:13: "And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen."
2. Galatians 1:3-4: "Grace be to you and peace from God the Father, and from our Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father."
   a. Verse 4 (AMPC): "Who gave (yielded) Himself up [to atone] for our sins [and to save and sanctify us], in order to rescue and deliver us from this present wicked age and world order, in accordance with the will and purpose and plan of our God and Father."
3. 2 Peter 1:3-4 (AMPC): Through God's promises, we have escaped "[by flight] from the moral decay (rottenness and corruption) that is in the world because of covetousness (lust and greed), and become sharers (partakers) of the divine nature."

C. Galatians 3:13-14—Jesus Separated Us From the Curse of Poverty and Lack

1. We have been redeemed from the curse of poverty and lack—which is darkness.
2. We may be in this world, but we are not of its Babylonian system.
3. We now operate under a new kingdom and a new economy.

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4. We are not subject to the times. The times are subject to us.
5. We don't just survive in God's kingdom—we thrive!
    a. We live independent of circumstances.
    b. We live in THE BLESSING of Kingdom prosperity.

Word From the Lord Through Kenneth Copeland

West Coast Believers' Convention
Long Beach, California
July 2008

Give forth praise and honor, for The LORD says it is not time for the United States to fail. It is not time for this nation to collapse financially, or fold up spiritually, or go the way of the rest of the world, or the way that the rest of the world is trying to drag it and make it go.

It is time, right now, for this nation's greatest hour, its greatest outpouring, and its greatest financial blessing. It's My time, says The LORD Jesus Christ. We will see it come to pass. You mark My words.

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Seek First the Kingdom

Day #52

A. Matthew 6:33—Seek First the Kingdom of God

1. AMPC: "Seek, (aim at and strive after) first of all His kingdom and His righteousness (His way of doing and being right), and then all these things taken together will be given you besides."
    a. We seek the kingdom of God by putting God's Word first place in our lives.
    b. God's Word is final authority in His kingdom.
2. Everything that we need in life has already been given to us.
3. 2 Peter 1:3: "According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue."
    a. AMPC: "For His divine power has bestowed upon us all things that [are requisite and suited] to life and godliness, through the [full, personal] knowledge of Him Who called us by and to His own glory and excellence (virtue)."
    b. NLT: "By his divine power, God has given us everything we need for living a godly life."

B. Philippians 4:19—The Kingdom of God Is Our Source of Supply

1. AMPC: "And my God will liberally supply (fill to the full) your every need according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus."
    a. BBE: "My God will give you all you have need of from the wealth of his glory."
2. We are separated from the kingdom of darkness and are now governed by a new kingdom and a new economy.
3. We don't just survive in the kingdom of God—we thrive!

C. The Results of Seeking God's Kingdom

1. 2 Chronicles 26:5: "As long as [Uzziah] sought the Lord, God made him to prosper."
    a. *Sought* (HEB) = Diligently inquire, research, investigate, consult
2. Psalm 34:8-10: "O taste and see that the Lord is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him. O fear the Lord, ye his saints: for there is no want to them that fear him. The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing."
    a. GW: "Those who seek the Lord's help will have all the good things they need."
    b. DRB: "…shall not be deprived."
3. Proverbs 8:17-21 (TLB): "I love all who love me. Those who search for me shall surely find me. Unending riches, honor, justice and righteousness are mine to distribute. My gifts are better than the purest gold or sterling silver! My paths are those of justice and right. Those who love and follow me are indeed wealthy. I fill their treasuries."

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Always Plenty in the Kingdom

Day #53

A. Genesis 26—A Kingdom Man in Tough Times

1. Isaac is the picture of a Kingdom man who flourished during a serious economic downturn.
2. He may have been in the famine—but he remained untouched by the famine.
3. This account is an example of how we should thrive and flourish in the kingdom of God in spite of the economy.

B. Genesis 26:1—There Was a Famine in the Land

1. MSG: "There was a famine in the land, as bad as the famine during the time of Abraham."
2. Genesis 12:10: "And there was a famine in the land: and Abram went down into Egypt to sojourn there; for the famine was grievous in the land."
   a. NIV—The famine was severe.
   b. MSG—It was a hard famine.
   c. AMPC—It was oppressive, intense and grievous.
3. Famine defined.
   a. Severe shortage of everything
   b. Extreme scarcity
   c. Serious economic downturn
   d. To be left wanting
   e. To fall short

C. Jeremiah 17:5-8—There Is Always Plenty in the Kingdom of God

1. Even during an economic downturn
2. Verse 8 (NLT): "They are like trees planted along a riverbank, with roots that reach deep into the water. Such trees are not bothered by the heat or worried by long months of drought. Their leaves stay green and they never stop producing fruit."
   a. *Green* (HEB) = Flourish, prosper, thrive
3. Psalm 92:12: "The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree."
4. We are not subject to the economy—the economy is subject to THE BLESSING of the Kingdom.
5. We are here to carry THE BLESSING of Kingdom prosperity wherever we go.

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Thriving in Times of Famine

Day #54

A. Genesis 26:1—There Was a Famine in the Land

1. Severe shortage of everything
2. Extreme scarcity
3. Serious economic downturn
4. To be left wanting
5. To fall short

B. What God's Word Tells Us About Living in Times of Famine

1. Job 5:20, 22: "In famine he shall redeem thee from death…. At destruction and famine thou shalt laugh."
2. Psalm 33:18-19: "The eye of the Lord is upon them that fear him, upon them that hope in his mercy [NLT—rely on his unfailing love]; to deliver their soul from death, and to keep them alive in famine."
    a. MSG: "God's eye is on those who respect him, the ones who are looking for his love. He's ready to come to their rescue in bad times; in lean times he keeps body and soul together."
    b. We are depending on God. He is everything we need.
3. Psalm 37:18-19: "The Lord knoweth the days of the upright: and their inheritance shall be for ever. They shall not be ashamed in the evil time: and in the days of famine they shall be satisfied."
    a. *Satisfied* (HEB) = To have enough, to be filled up, to have plenty of
    b. NLT: "They will not be disgraced in hard times; even in famine they will have more than enough."
    c. NIV: "In times of disaster they will not wither; in days of famine they will enjoy plenty."
    d. HEB—He will supply until no more is needed.
4. Romans 8:35, 37: "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?... Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us."
5. "Wherever we go, the kingdom of God goes." —Gloria Copeland

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C. Proverbs 10:22—"THE BLESSING of the Lord, it maketh rich, and He addeth no sorrow with it."

1. In times of famine, we don't just survive—WE THRIVE!
2. *Thrive*—prosper, flourish, succeed, advance, grow vigorously, increase in goods and estates
3. In spite of the economy
4. We are to follow the Genesis 1:28 example.
5. Be fruitful, multiply, replenish, subdue and have dominion over

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"A Feast of Abundance in the Valley of the Shadow of Death"

Word From the Lord Through Kenneth Copeland

Southwest Believers' Convention
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I have plans that you have never dreamed of, saith The LORD. They are beyond your wildest imagination. I did it just for you.

Heaven is overloaded with things that I have prepared for your enjoyment, if you will simply come to that place where you just say, "God, I am so grateful," and give Me an opportunity.

Become a giver and not a taker.

Become a thinker like I think.

I will think through your mind. I will see through your eyes. I will speak through your lips. I will give you power within that is far greater than anything you have ever imagined.

I need you to help Me in these end times to raise up an army of believers. And you are my key personnel. I don't need you broke! I don't need you sick! I need you healed and well! I paid for it! Come and get it! Come and dine! Come and dine! Come to the table! I have prepared a table in the presence of your enemies.

This is not a heavenly feast. You don't have any enemies in heaven!

This is a feast of abundance in the valley of the shadow of death.

Fear no evil! Fear not the shadow of death nor the valley therein. I am your LORD and your Savior. I am The LORD of Hosts, and I am the biggest thing in the valley.

Have no fear, for the table is full. Come and dine. Come and dine. Pass the healing. Pass the debt-free pudding. Pass the miracles down here on this end of the table. Come and dine. Come and dine.

I will send you to places and I will anoint you, and I will take care of you while you are there. And people will be amazed at the grace that comes out of your mouth and the riches that come through your hands.

Whole nations will come to Me.

Trillions are nothing to Me.

747s are nothing to Me. All things were created for and by Me, saith The LORD, and I don't need your airplanes up here. My chariot way outclasses that. Have you not seen in My WORD where My chariot is like the lightning from the east to the west? My stuff moves at the speed of light. Your stuff is extremely slow. But stay with Me, and you will get faster.

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100 DAYS OF PROSPERITY

Obedience and Prosperity

Day #55

A. Genesis 26:2-6—Isaac Obeyed God in Famine

1. "Do not descend to Egypt, for you are an unblemished offering and it does not befit you to reside outside the land." *(The Chumash, The Stone Edition)*
2. Verses 3-4—Isaac prospered right where he was.
   a. God needed Isaac there to establish the Garden of Eden.
   b. God needs us here to establish the Garden of Eden.
3. Verses 3-5—The result of obedience.
   a. *Sojourn*—take possession because you own the place.
   b. The land was his, promised in the Abrahamic Covenant.
   c. "If you will walk around with the attitude of faith, I will do for you exactly what I did for your father. I will give you everything I gave him." —Kenneth Copeland, *THE BLESSING of The LORD Makes Rich and He Adds No Sorrow With It*
4. Verses 6—Isaac obeyed and stayed in Gerar.
5. "Don't go to the world—go to the Word." —Gloria Copeland

B. Genesis 26:3-6—Obedience Opens the Door to Kingdom Prosperity

1. Isaiah 1:19: "If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land."
   a. NLT: "…You will eat the best of the land."
   b. MSG: "If you'll willingly obey, you'll feast like kings."
   c. Your prosperity is on the other side of your obedience.
2. Job 36:11: "If they obey and serve him, they shall spend their days in prosperity, and their years in pleasures."
   a. *Pleasures* (HEB) = Your years will be delightful, pleasant and sweet.
   b. NLT: "If they listen and obey God, they will be blessed with prosperity throughout their lives."
   c. NIV: "If they obey and serve him, they will spend the rest of their days in prosperity and their years in contentment."
3. Deuteronomy 28:1-2 (NLT): "If you fully obey the Lord your God and carefully keep all his commands that I am giving you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all the nations of the world. You will experience all these blessings if you obey the Lord your God."
   a. KJV: "And all these blessings shall come on thee and overtake thee."

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b. NIV: "All these blessings will come on you and accompany you if you obey the Lord your God."
c. Overtake—Engulf you, pile up on you, swamp, flood, overflow, heap, cover

C. A Conversation Between Kenneth Copeland and Pastor George Pearsons, April 19, 1997 "Obedience in Sowing KCM's First Airplane"

The first airplane that Kenneth and Gloria Copeland sowed was in 1972. It was a 1959 Cessna 310. Kenneth and Gloria were believing for a larger airplane as well as an additional $50,000 for a television ministry project.

One day while driving, Brother Copeland asked the Lord, "How will I ever be able to get a new airplane AND do this television project?"

The Lord said, *You know exactly how to do that. Luke 6:38 says, "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."*

Later, during a meeting, he and Jerry Savelle agreed get up at 5:00 each morning to pray about this situation. God confirmed to them exactly what to do—and Brother Copeland immediately obeyed.

He and Gloria sowed their Cessna 310 into another ministry. At the time, the plane's worth was $25,000—3/4 of the assets of the Kenneth Copeland Evangelistic Association.

Ten days later, a woman walked into the Copelands' office. She excitedly declared that she had a miracle take place with some stock.

She presented Brother Copeland with a check for $250,000.

They bought a Cessna 414 and moved ahead with their television project.

Brother Copeland then told me, "We have never been without since. We didn't just confess a little every now and then. The thought of talking lack around each other became profanity. Once the seed is sown, you must become so totally committed that you never yield. 'What if we don't have enough? So what!' After you have sown and received, the question becomes, 'Will you settle for what you have, or will you sow it for more?' Do not get in fear and settle for what you have gained. Sow for more!"

Update: As of Sept. 1, 2011, Kenneth Copeland Ministries has sown 22 airplanes into other ministries. KCM has also contributed money toward the purchase of eight aircraft to other ministries.

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From the Book

THE BLESSING of The LORD Makes Rich and He Adds No Sorrow With It

by Kenneth Copeland

If we'll just believe what the Bible says about us and walk in the covenant of love, THE BLESSING will produce the conditions of the Garden of Eden around us as surely as it did for the Israelites in the Promised Land. In fact, it will do even more for us than it did for them. Because we carry THE BLESSING inside us wherever we go, God can send us to the hardest, thistle-growing, demon-infested place, and we can go with joy. We don't have to argue with Him about it. We don't have to complain and drag our feet. We can go in faith knowing that God is sending us there not to live in squalor but to release THE BLESSING that's within us and turn that dark corner of the world into a milk-and-honey kind of place.

"Oh, Brother Copeland, you're not being practical. There are some places even THE BLESSING won't work."

If there are, I've never seen them, and I've been to a lot of places. I've seen THE BLESSING work everywhere from the wilds of Africa to the urban jungles of America….

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Sowing in Famine

Day #56

A. Ecclesiastes 11:4—"Maybe It's Not a Good Time to Sow"

1. AMPC: "He who observes the wind [and waits for all conditions to be favorable] will not sow, and he who regards the clouds will not reap."
2. NLT: "Farmers who wait for perfect weather never plant. If they watch every cloud, they never harvest."
3. It is always a good time to sow in the kingdom of God.
   a. Luke 6:38: "Give and it shall be given unto you."
   b. 2 Corinthians 9:6—He which sows bountifully shall reap also bountifully.

B. Genesis 26:12—Isaac Sowed in Famine

1. NIV: "Isaac planted crops in that land and the same year reaped a hundredfold because the Lord blessed him."
2. "His crop was a hundred times as much as the expected estimate. According to our Rabbis, Isaac was scrupulous to determine the quantity of the crop in order to establish how much he was required to give tithes (Rashi)." —*The Chumash, The Stone Edition*
3. A hundredfold return was an unusual harvest for Gerar.
   a. Even in more fertile regions, the yield was usually not greater than twenty-five- to fiftyfold.
   b. This was a Kingdom harvest in a time of famine.
   c. Two testimonies
      i. The family in Oklahoma whose garden produced in time of drought
      ii. The 14forty Watermelon Miracle (see attachment)
4. Jeremiah 17:7-8—We harvest in spite of the conditions.
   a. NLT: "Blessed are those who trust in the Lord and have made the Lord their hope and confidence. They are like trees planted along a riverbank, with roots that reach deep into the water. Such trees are not bothered by the heat or worried by long months of drought. Their leaves stay green, and they never stop producing fruit."
   b. "Her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit."
5. We harvest continual prosperity even during the toughest times.

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C. Mark 10:29-30—The Hundredfold Return

1. "But he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time."
2. Luke 18:30: "Who shall not receive manifold more in this present time."
   a. MSG: "It will all come back multiplied many times over in your lifetime. And then the bonus of eternal life!"
   b. NRSV—You will receive much more in this age.
3. "The hundredfold return is working for me all the time."

The 14Forty Watermelon Miracle

At the end of every school year, EMIC's 14forty youth group has a "School's Out Party." The party two years ago included watermelon and volleyball. Little did they know that this party would become a lesson on seedtime and harvest!

They began noticing something unusual in the volleyball court sometime after the party. It appeared that the students had been spitting out the watermelon seeds as they sat and watched the volleyball games. Over time, the seeds began to sprout and little watermelons appeared. Isaiah 55:10-11 (NLT) became a reality. "The rain and snow come down from the heavens and stay on the ground to water the earth. They cause the grain to grow, producing seed for the farmer and bread for the hungry. It is the same with my word. I send it out, and it always produces fruit. It will accomplish all I want it to, and it will prosper everywhere I send it."

This past spring, the youth group leaders requested the KCM maintenance department to clean up the volleyball court for summer use. The standard procedure included spraying chemicals to destroy the weeds. The request was fulfilled. However, in spite of the chemicals plus the summer drought, the watermelons returned! It was a supernatural harvest of THE BLESSING. The Lord supplied the seed, and the Lord produced the harvest.

And, by the fruit of their lips, the students were the vessels!

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Kingdom Increase

Day #57

A. Genesis 26:13-14—Increase in Times of Famine

1. "The man waxed great, and went forward, and grew until he became very great: For he had possession of flocks, and possession of herds, and great store of servants: and the Philistines envied him."
    a. *Wax great* (HEB) = To prosper, increase, advance, enlarge and expand
    b. *He became very great* (HEB) = Speedily, rapidly, quickly
    c. "The man (Yitzchak) became prosperous, and he grew constantly great until he had grown very great (even in comparison to Abimelech)." —*The Chumash, The Stone Edition*
2. Because of THE BLESSING, Isaac quickly prospered, increased, advanced and expanded—all during an economic downturn.
3. Translations
    a. NKJV: "The man began to prosper, and continued prospering until he became very prosperous; for he had possessions of flocks and possessions of herds and a great number of servants. So the Philistines envied him."
    b. NLT: "He became a very rich man, and his wealth continued to grow [NIV: "until he became very wealthy"]. He acquired so many flocks of sheep and goats, herds of cattle, and servants that the Philistines became jealous of him."
    c. AMPC: "And the man became great and gained more and more until he became very wealthy and distinguished; he owned flocks, herds, and a great supply of servants, and the Philistines envied him."
    d. MSG: "The man got richer and richer by the day until he was very wealthy."
    e. "He had flocks of sheep and cattle and many enterprises." —*The Chumash, The Stone Edition*

B. Genesis 26:14-16—The Philistines' Jealousy

1. Jealousy comes as a result of wanting what someone else has.
    a. People are not jealous over the lack of another.
    b. They become jealous over another's increase and success.
2. Isaac became the richest man in the world.
    a. Isaac's home became bigger than Abimelech's palace.
    b. Isaac's staff, riches and estate increased in the midst of a famine.
3. Verse 16 (NKJV): "Go away from us, for you are much mightier than we."
    a. NIV: "…You have become too powerful for us."

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b. Deuteronomy 8:18: "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."

C. Kingdom Increase

1. Deuteronomy 7:13 (MSG): "He will love you, he will bless you, he will increase you."
2. Psalm 115:14: "The Lord shall increase you more and more, you and your children."
   a. *Shall increase you more and more* (HEB) = He will continue to add to you, over and above.
3. Leviticus 26:4: "I will give you rain in due season, and the land shall yield her increase, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit."

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Walk by Faith and Love

Day #58

A. Genesis 26:14-17—Isaac Was Asked to Leave Gerar

1. Verse 14: The Philistines envied Isaac because of THE BLESSING that was upon him.
   a. Men don't envy poverty.
   b. They envy someone who has more than them.
2. Verse 15—The Philistines filled up the wells that Abraham dug.
3. Verse 16—Abimelech asked Isaac to leave Gerar because he had become "mightier" and too powerful.
   a. *Mightier* (HEB) = Increase and become numerous
   b. MSG: "Leave. You've become far too big for us."

B. Genesis 26:18-21—The Philistines Kept Filling Isaac's Wells

1. Isaac kept expanding in spite of the persecution.
2. Verse 22—*Rehobeth* (HEB) = Room, streets, a broad and spacious place; an enlargement
   a. NLT/NIV: At last, the Lord has made room for us and we will be able to thrive and prosper in this land.
   b. MSG: "He named it Rehoboth (Wide-Open Spaces)."
3. Verse 24: "The Lord appeared unto him the same night, and said, I am the God of Abraham thy father: fear not, for I am with thee, and will bless thee, and multiply thy seed for my servant Abraham's sake."

C. Walk by Faith and Love

1. Hebrews 10:35 (AMPC): "Do not, therefore, fling away your fearless confidence, for it carries a great and glorious compensation of reward."
2. Galatians 6:9 (AMPC): "Let us not lose heart and grow weary and faint in acting nobly and doing right, for in due time and at the appointed season we shall reap, if we do not loosen and relax our courage and faint."
3. Proverbs 20:3: "It is an honour for a man to cease from strife."

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Symbols of Kingdom Prosperity

Day #59

A. Genesis 26:26-29—Prosperity Can Be Seen

1. Verse 28 (NIV/NLT): We can clearly and plainly see that the Lord is with you.
2. Verse 28 (MSG): "We've realized that God is on your side."
3. Verse 29 (GNB): "Now it is clear that the Lord has blessed you."

B. Symbols of Kingdom Prosperity

1. Zechariah 8:13 (NLT-96): "Among the nations, Judah and Israel had become symbols of what it means to be cursed. But no longer! **Now, I will rescue you and make you both a symbol and a source of blessing.** So don't be afraid or discouraged, but instead, get on with rebuilding the temple."
2. Zechariah 9:16-17: "And the Lord their God shall save them in that day as the flock of his people: for they shall be as the stones of a crown, lifted up as an ensign upon his land. For how great is his goodness, and how great is his beauty! corn shall make the young men cheerful, and new wine the maids."
   a. *Lifted up* (HEB) = Conspicuous, sparkle
   b. *Ensign* (HEB) = To gleam from afar, to be conspicuous as a signal, a flag fluttering in the wind, a sign, a banner, a token, an emblem
   c. NKJV: "The Lord their God will save them in that day, as the flock of His people: For they shall be like the jewels of a crown, lifted up like a banner over His land."
   d. GW: "On that day the Lord their God will rescue them as the flock of his people. They will certainly sparkle in his land like jewels in a crown."
3. Psalm 67:7 (MSG): "God! Let people thank and enjoy you. Let all people thank and enjoy you. Earth, display your exuberance! You mark us with blessing, O God, our God. You mark us with blessing, O God."
4. Genesis 12:2-3 (AMPC): "I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you [with abundant increase of favors] and make your name famous and distinguished, and you will be a blessing [dispensing good to others]. …in you will all the families and kindred of the earth be blessed [and by you they will bless themselves]."
5. Deuteronomy 28:10-11 (AMPC): "And all people of the earth shall see that you are called by the name [and in the presence of] the Lord, and they shall be afraid of you. And the Lord shall make you have a surplus of prosperity."
   a. MSG: "All the peoples on Earth will see you living under the Name of God and hold you in respectful awe. God will lavish you with good things: children from your womb, offspring from your animals, and crops from your land, the land that God promised your ancestors that he would give you."

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6. Jeremiah 33:9 (NLT): "Then this city will bring me joy, glory, and honor before all the nations of the earth! The people of the world will see all the good I do for my people, and they will tremble with awe at the peace and prosperity I provide for them."
7. Philippians 2:15-16 (AMPC): "That you may show yourselves to be blameless and guiltless, innocent and uncontaminated, children of God without blemish (faultless, unrebukable) in the midst of a crooked and wicked generation [spiritually perverted and perverse], among whom you are seen as bright lights (stars or beacons shining out clearly) in the [dark] world, holding out [to it] and offering [to all men] the Word of Life, so that in the day of Christ I may have something of which exultantly to rejoice and glory in that I did not run my race in vain or spend my labor to no purpose."

C. Genesis 26:32—Isaac's Servants Hit a Gusher!

1. They struck a massive underground river.
2. Even in a time of drought, there is always more than enough.
3. Kingdom prosperity works anytime, anywhere, under any circumstance.

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10 Days of Kingdom Prosperity

Five Keys to Kingdom Prosperity

Day #60

Key No. 1—Seek First the Kingdom of God

1. Isaac is an example of someone who was in the world, but was not of the world.
2. Colossians 1:13: "Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son."
3. We no longer live under the dominion, rule and control of the kingdom of darkness.
4. We are now operating in a new kingdom and a new economy.
5. Matthew 6:33: "Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."

Key No. 2—Obey God

1. Genesis 26:2: "Go not down into Egypt; dwell in the land which I shall tell thee of."
2. Prosperity is on the other side of our obedience.
3. Isaiah 1:19: "If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land."
4. NLT-96: "…You will eat the best of the land."
5. MSG: "If you'll willingly obey, you'll feast like kings."

Key No. 3—Sow Seed and Tithe

1. Genesis 26:12: "Then Isaac sowed in that land, and received in the same year an hundredfold: and the Lord blessed him."
2. It is always a good time to sow into the kingdom of God, in spite of the economic conditions.
3. We know Isaac tithed—because Abraham tithed.
4. Genesis 14:20: "[Abraham] gave him tithes of all."
5. Genesis 18:19: "For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the Lord."

Key No. 4—Walk by Faith and Love

1. Genesis 26:21—They dug another well.
2. Hebrews 10:35 (AMPC): "Do not, therefore, fling away your fearless confidence, for it carries a great and glorious compensation of reward."
3. Galatians 6:9 (AMPC): "Let us not lose heart and grow weary and faint in acting nobly and doing right, for in due time and at the appointed season we shall reap, if we do not loosen and relax our courage and faint."

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4. Genesis 13:8: "Abram said unto Lot, Let there be no strife, I pray thee, between me and thee, and between my herdmen and thy herdmen; for we be brethren."
5. Proverbs 20:3: "It is an honour for a man to cease from strife."

Key No. 5—Be a Symbol and a Source of Kingdom Prosperity

1. Genesis 26:28: "…We saw certainly that the Lord was with thee."
2. NIV/NLT: We can clearly and plainly see that the Lord is with you.
3. Zechariah 8:13 (NLT-96): "Among the nations, Judah and Israel had become symbols of what it means to be cursed. But no longer! Now, I will rescue you and make you both a symbol and a source of blessing."
4. Genesis 12:2-3 (AMPC): "I will make of you a great nation and I will bless you [with abundant increase of favors] and make your name famous and distinguished, and you will be a blessing [dispensing good to others]. …in you will all the families and kindred of the earth be blessed [and by you they will bless themselves]."
5. Psalm 67:7 (MSG): "You mark us with blessing, O God."

Word From the Lord Through Kenneth Copeland

Southwest Believers' Convention
August 4, 2009

No, no, no, no this is not the time, saith The LORD, of the downfall of your nation. Your nation is under covenant with Me, saith The LORD. You are witnessing not the failure of the United States, you are witnessing the failure of a worldly financial system that has eroded over the years. My Word of prosperity, My Word of function, My Word that this nation began on and prospered beyond any nation in the history of this world.

No, the United States is not falling, No! I will not allow that to happen, says the Spirit of Grace. How foolish do you think I am, to allow the cradle of the gospel to fall from its limb? How foolish do you think I am?

No, I remember your deeds. I remember the gospel that's come from this nation. I remember, saith The LORD, that this is the most giving nation in history, and I will not, I will not, I will not let you go.

No, no, no, no, your finest hour is yet to come, and it is on its way, and it's being born at this very time.

No, no, no, I did not bring this financial disaster on this nation. Now some have said this is judgment. It is judgment, but I'm not bringing judgment on this nation. The seed of sin and Babylonian-world thinking has in itself its own judgment and its own disaster. And when you continue to walk out of line with My Word and My plan and My way, you will eventually fail. It's not this nation that's failing, it is the system that it has eroded into by getting away from My Word and depending on Me. But fear not, I have My eye on it, and it will go only so far and no further, saith The LORD. Hallelujah. And you will see it, you will see it, you will be in it, you will be involved in the greatest spiritual awakening that this nation has ever seen. This is My time, saith God.

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10 Marvelous Days of Prosperity

A Prosperous Journey

Day #61

A. 3 John 1-2—The Priority Placed on Prosperity

1. The Apostle John was older at this point in his life.
    a. AMPC: The elderly elder of the church addresses this letter.
    b. DRB: The Ancient
2. He had walked with Jesus most all of his life.
    a. He studied after and served Jesus.
    b. He called himself "the disciple whom Jesus loved" (John 21:20).
    c. He was entrusted with the care of Jesus' mother.
3. He had become a wise, mature and honored leader in the church.
    a. His leadership and integrity were unquestioned.
    b. His humility was unparalleled.
        i. Revelation 1:9: "I John, who also am your brother…."
4. Jesus appeared to him on the island of Patmos and personally revealed the end-time plan of God.
5. It would do us well to pay very close attention to what a seasoned elder is referring to when he says, "I pray above all things that you may prosper and be in health, even as your soul prospers."

B. Prosperity Defined

1. *Prosper* (GK) EUHODOS = help on the road
2. A prosperous journey
    a. A happy journey on a particular road
    b. To be on the right, profitable path that leads to real success and good fortune
3. To be successful
    a. To succeed in reaching your destination
    b. To succeed in business affairs
4. To grant a prosperous and expeditious journey
    a. To lead by a direct and easy way
5. *To prosper* is to excel and succeed at something desirable, and to advance to the highest place possible.

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C. Romans 1:8-10—A Prosperous Journey

1. Verse 10: "Making request, if by any means now at length I might have a prosperous journey by the will of God to come unto you."
2. Joshua 1:8: "This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success."
    a. *Way* (HEB) = a journey, road, way, path
3. Proverbs 4:18: "But the path of the just is as the shining light, that shineth more and more unto the perfect day."
    a. AMPC: "But the path of the [uncompromising] just and righteousness is like the light of dawn, that shines more and more (brighter and clearer) until [it reaches its full strength and glory in] the perfect day [to be prepared]."

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The Full Scope of Prosperity

Day #62

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

1. *Prosperity* (GK) = help along the way; a prosperous journey
2. To prosper is to succeed at everything we do.
   a. AMPC: "Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in every way and [that your body] may keep well, even as [I know] your soul keeps well and prospers."
   b. BBE: "My loved one, it is my prayer that you may do well in all things, and be healthy in body, even as your soul does well."
   c. WNT: "My dear friend, I pray that you may in all respects prosper and enjoy good health, just as your soul already prospers."
3. Prosperity is more than money—it encompasses the entire scope and spectrum of our lives.
4. 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."
5. 2 Peter 1:2-4: "Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord, according as his divine power hath give unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue: Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust."

B. Whatever We Do Shall Prosper

1. Psalm 1:1-3: "Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper."
2. Deuteronomy 29:9: "Keep therefore the words of this covenant, and do them, that ye may prosper in all that ye do."
3. Genesis 39—Everything Joseph did prospered
   a. Verse 2: "The Lord was with Joseph, and he was a prosperous man…."
   b. Verse 3: "…The Lord made all that he did to prosper in his hand."
   c. Verse 5: "…The blessing of the Lord was upon all that he had in the house, and in the field."
   d. Verse 23: "…That which he did, the Lord made it to prosper."

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4. Psalm 112—The profile of a prosperous believer
5. Joshua 1:7-8 (NKJV): "Be strong and very courageous, that you may observe to do according to all the law which Moses My servant commanded you: do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may prosper wherever you go. 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."

C. Prosperity includes success in every realm of life—spirit, soul, body, financial, relational, political.

1. Spiritual prosperity
    a. Born again and spirit filled
    b. Fellowship with the Father
    c. Working with the Father in prayer
    d. Effective soul winner
    e. Revelation of the Word
2. Prosperity of the soul—mind, will, emotions
    a. Peace in your mind
    b. Alignment of your will to God's will
    c. Stability in your emotions
3. Physical prosperity
    a. Living in divine health
    b. Protection
    c. Fear free
4. Financial prosperity
    a. Increase and abundance
    b. Bills paid
    c. Debt freedom
    d. Success in all endeavors
5. Relational prosperity
    a. Love in your home
    b. Devotion in marriage
    c. Obedient children
    d. Healthy relationships
    e. Friends
6. Political prosperity
    a. A God-fearing nation
    b. Godly leadership
    c. Support for Israel

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Prospering Beyond Human Reason

Day #63

A. It Is My Desire to Prosper You Beyond Human Reason

Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland
Monday, April 25, 2011, ICFM 33rd Convention

1. "Don't you remember in My WORD that it says, Eye has not seen, neither have ear heard, neither has entered into the heart of man what I have in store for those that love me? Do you remember My WORD saying that, saith The LORD?"
2. "Remember—My plan for all men for all time was the Garden of Eden. My plan was that that should have been the worst condition the human man would have ever seen because it was all good from there on."
3. "Far richer than that Garden. That was not man's best."
4. "THE BLESSING of Abraham is the Eden covenant—but you'll have to listen to Me, saith The LORD. Adam wouldn't listen to Me, and if you don't listen to Me, I can't get into your hands what I have designed for you."
5. "But it is My desire to prosper you beyond human reason. Human reasoning is based on facts. Heaven's reasoning is based on the future of God's dreams. He knows the beginning from the end. And the end is stunning!"

B. John 6:5-9—Human Reasoning Is Based on Facts

1. "When Jesus then lifted up his eyes, and saw a great company come unto him, he saith unto Philip, Whence shall we buy bread, that these may eat? And this he said to prove him: for he himself knew what he would do. Philip answered him, Two hundred pennyworth[1] of bread is not sufficient for them, that every one of them may take a little. One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, saith unto him, There is a lad here, which hath five barley loaves, and two small fishes: but what are they among so many?"
    a. Verse 7 (AMPC): "Philip answered Him, Two hundred pennies' (forty dollars) worth of bread is not enough that everyone may receive even a little."
    b. Verse 7 (NIV-84): "Philip answered him, 'Eight months' wages would not buy enough bread for each one to have a bite!'"
    c. Verse 9 (NLT): "There's a young boy here with five barley loaves and two fish. But what good is that with this huge crowd?"

1 John 6:7 Greek: *Two hundred denarii would not be enough.* A denarius was equivelent to a laborer's full day's wage.

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   d. Verses 8-9 (MSG): "One of the disciples—it was Andrew, brother to Simon Peter—said, 'There's a little boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But that's a drop in the bucket for a crowd like this.'"
2. Human reasoning is based on what we can see, touch, taste and hear.
3. Human reasoning is based on existing conditions.
4. Human reasoning keeps us trapped within the confines of limitation.
5. Psalm 78:40-42: "How oft did they provoke him in the wilderness, and grieve him in the desert! Yea, they turned back and tempted God, and limited the Holy One of Israel. They remembered not his hand, nor the day when he delivered them from the enemy."

C. John 6:10-13—Heaven's Reasoning Is Based on the Future of God's Dreams

1. "And Jesus said, Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, in number about five thousand. And Jesus took the loaves; and when he had given thanks, he distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down; and likewise of the fishes as much as they would. When they were filled, he said unto his disciples, Gather up the fragments that remain, that nothing be lost. Therefore they gathered them together, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves, which remained over and above unto them that had eaten."
2. God wants to prosper us beyond human reason.
   a. Beyond what we can see, touch, taste and hear
   b. Beyond existing conditions
   c. Beyond economic constraints
3. Heaven's plan is for us to establish the Garden of Eden wherever we go.
4. Don't limit God by trying to figure out how to meet your own needs.
5. Ephesians 3:20 (AMPC): "Now to Him Who, by (in consequence of) the [action of His] power that is at work within us, is able to [carry out His purpose and] do superabundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams]."

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Claim What You Need

Day #64

A. The Lord's Correction for Kenneth E. Hagin About Believing for Finances

1. He began his traveling ministry in 1949.
2. The first year was a tremendous struggle financially.
3. Adequate provision was scarce.
   a. They lived in a three-room apartment.
   b. The children were not properly clothed or fed.
   c. The car was worn-out enough to sell as junk.
   d. The finances were not manifesting.
4. The Lord corrected Brother Hagin's thinking about how to believe for finances.

B. The Three-Step Process

1. "Claim whatever you need."
2. "Say, 'Satan, take your hands off my money.'"
3. "Say, 'Go, ministering spirits, and cause the money to come.'"
4. "Before the Lord spoke to me, I would pray, fast, weep, and cry and still barely skim by."
5. After receiving this word, Brother Hagin walked over to the church where he would be conducting a service that evening.
   a. "I stood on the platform in that empty church and said, 'I claim $150 this week. Satan, take your hands off my finances. Go, ministering spirits, and cause the money to come.'"
   b. "I tested this out time and time again. And I got the money I claimed every time."

C. Joshua 18:1-3—Claim What You Need

1. *Possess* (HEB) = to take possession of, to dispossess and drive out, to claim.
2. Galatians 6:9 (AMPC): "And let us not lose heart and grow weary and faint in acting nobly and doing right, for in due time and at the appointed season we shall reap, if we do not loosen and relax our courage and faint."
3. *Claim* (Merriam-Webster):
   a. To take as the rightful owner
   b. To assert in the face of possible contradiction
   c. A right to claim or demand
4. Joshua 18:3 (GNB): "How long are you going to wait before you go in and take the land?"

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5. John 14:13: "Whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son."
    a. GK: "Whatever you demand as your Christian rights, I will see to it that it is carried out."
6. "For all of you who will take My WORD and stand on it," saith The LORD, "the Kingdom is for you, the angels are for you, and all of heaven's reserves are at your call." — Word from the Lord through Brother Copeland, October 28, 2010
    a. Use your authority and command Satan to take his hands off your money.
    b. Release the ministering spirits to go get it and bring it to you.

D. Declare This Out Loud!

"Heavenly Father, I thank You for Your Word. Your Word is true. Your Word works for me. I give it first place and final authority in my life. I claim every need met on the authority of God's Word. I claim _____ (insert the specific amount). Satan, take your hands off my finances. Go, ministering spirits, and cause the money to come. I believe it. I receive it. I possess it, claim it and take it as my rightful inheritance. Father, I thank You for it NOW in Jesus' Name!"

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Three Essentials for a Great Harvest

Day #65

A. Mark 4:26-29—A Farmer's Responsibility

1. Verses 26-27: "So is the kingdom of God, as if a man should cast seed into the ground; and should sleep, and rise night and day, and the seed should spring and grow up, he knoweth not how."
2. The farmer sows the seed.
3. The farmer fulfills his responsibility.
4. "Jesus compared the kingdom of God with the planting of seed and reaping the harvest. It's a simple concept. One all of us understand. Why, then, aren't all of us producing bumper crops every season? Because we are sitting around waiting for God to do all the work." —Kenneth Copeland, *From Faith to Faith,* July 9 devotion, "Keep the Weeds Out"
5. "He doesn't operate that way. He'll work *with* you, but He won't do it *all*. There are some essential things you must do by faith if you want to have a crop to reap at harvest time." —Kenneth Copeland, *From Faith to Faith,* July 9 devotion, "Keep the Weeds Out"

B. Essential No. 1—Expect Your Seed to Grow

1. "First, you must sow the seed of the Word in faith, expecting it to grow." —Kenneth Copeland, *From Faith to Faith,* July 9 devotion, "Keep the Weeds Out"
2. Live in a continual state of expectation where sowing and reaping is concerned.
3. 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."
4. Galatians 6:7: "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatever a man soweth, that shall he also reap."
5. "I am expecting a record-breaking harvest."
    a. Psalm 65:11 (NLT): "You crown the year with a bountiful harvest; even the hard pathways overflow with abundance."
    b. NIV: "You crown the year with your bounty, and your carts overflow with abundance."

C. Essential No. 2—Water Your Seed

1. "Water it every day with praise. Water it with the spiritual water of the Word. That Word contains life and those seed promises can't grow without it." —Kenneth Copeland, *From Faith to Faith,* July 9 devotion, "Keep the Weeds Out"
2. "My seed always produces a bumper crop."
3. "The hundredfold return is working for me all the time."

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4. Galatians 6:9 (AMPC): "Let us not lose heart and grow weary and faint in acting nobly and doing right, for in due time and at the appointed season we shall reap, if we do not loosen and relax our courage and faint."
5. Hebrews 10:23: "Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised)."
    a. Verse 35: "Cast not away therefore your confidence [in your seed and in the Word you speak over your seed in faith] which hath great recompence of reward."
    b. *Recompense of reward* (GK) = MISTHAPODOSIA
        i. MISTHA = pay, salary, money, recompense, restitution
        ii. PODOSIA = feet or foot (podiatrist)
        iii. Money is coming on feet in your direction.

D. Essential No. 3—Keep the Weeds Out

1. "When the weeds of unforgiveness, doubt, fear, discouragement, (and all the other junk the devil tries to sow into your crop) try to enter in, get rid of them. They'll choke the Word. That's going to take some diligence on your part. No one else will do it for you. You're going to have to weed your own crop yourself. So get tough about it. When a little weed pops up, kill it! Don't hang on to it for even a moment. Pull it up by its roots. Spray it with the Word." —Kenneth Copeland, *From Faith to Faith,* July 9 devotion, "Keep the Weeds Out"
2. 2 Samuel 23:11-12: "And after him was Shammah the son of Agee the Hararite. And the Philistines were gathered together into a troop, where was a piece of ground full of lentils: and the people fled from the Philistines. But he stood in the midst of the ground, and defended it, and slew the Philistines: and the Lord wrought a great victory."
    a. NLT: "Shammah held his ground in the middle of the field and beat back the Philistines."
    b. NIV: "Shammah took his stand."
    c. BBE: He kept his place.
3. The Philistines represent everything that would cause the fruit of our seed to be destroyed, including unforgiveness, strife, fear and doubt.
    a. Whether we bear thorns or fruit is dependent on what we do in faith concerning unforgiveness, strife, fear and doubt.
4. Genesis 2:15: "And the Lord God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it."
    a. *Dress* (HEB) = to work it, till it, cultivate it and develop it
    b. *Keep* (HEB) = to put a hedge of thorns around it, to watch over it; to guard, protect, defend and safeguard; bodyguard and gatekeeper
5. Malachi 3:10-11: "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, 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. 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."
    a. *Rebuke* (HEB) = cripple and paralyze
    b. *Devourer* (HEB) = seedeater
    c. NLT: "Your crops will be abundant, for I will guard them from insects and disease. Your grapes will not fall from the vine before they are ripe."

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Prosperity and Patience

Day #66

A. Hebrews 6:12—Faith and Patience

1. "That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises."
2. We walk by faith and believe God to meet the need.
3. What do we do when the results seem slow in coming and we are tempted to give up?
4. We put the force of patience to work.
5. Patience is the difference between "trying faith" and "doing faith."

B. James 1:2-8—Patience's Perfect Work

1. What patience is not.
   a. Knuckling under until the storm has passed over
   b. Being satisfied with whatever happens
   c. Getting beat up with a smile on your face
2. What patience is.
   a. Undergirds and sustains faith until the result is manifested
   b. The ability to act like you have it before you see it
   c. Doesn't surrender to circumstances or succumb under trial
   d. It is constant all the time.
   e. It is courage under fire.
   f. It answers every doubt and fear with the assurance of God's Word.
3. The power of patience is a working force.
   a. Faith and patience are called "The Power Twins."
   b. They will produce results every time.
   c. Patience slips under faith and keeps it moving as time is passing.
4. Faith takes whatever you need and patience keeps it.
5. James 1:4: "But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing."
   a. AMPC: "But let endurance and steadfastness and patience have full play and do a thorough work, so that you may be [people] perfectly and fully developed [with no defects], lacking in nothing."

C. Hebrews 10:35-36—Steadfast Patience and Endurance

1. AMPC: "Do not, therefore, fling away your fearless confidence, for it carries a great and glorious compensation of reward. For you have need of steadfast patience and

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endurance, so that you may perform and fully accomplish the will of God, and thus receive and carry away [and enjoy to the full] what is promised."

2. Patience is a fearless confidence in God's Word that produces great and glorious results in spite of contrary evidence.
    a. When Satan brings a test or trial, do not fling away your confidence in God's Word.
    b. This refusal to cast away your confidence is the power of patience at work.
    c. Do not ever underestimate the power of progress.
3. Psalm 94:12-13 (AMPC): "Blessed (happy, fortunate, to be envied) is the man whom You discipline and instruct, O Lord, and teach out of Your law, that You may give him power to keep himself calm in the days of adversity, until the [inevitable] pit of corruption is dug for the wicked."
    a. Patience is the power to keep yourself calm.
    b. Patience is the stabilizing factor in the midst of a stand.
4. The power of patience is released to work for you in the face of adversity and lack when you act on what God's Word says about your situation.
    a. Philippians 4:19: "But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus."
    b. "I am confidently standing on this scripture and will not move until I see the final results."
    c. That is the force of patience in action.
5. "Adversity and lack, I speak to you in Jesus' Name. God's Word says you are defeated and under my feet. God's Word is true, regardless of what I see with my natural eyes. God's Word has a great and glorious reward of provision. I am holding fast to that Word and I will not fling it away."

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Prosperity and Diligence

Day #67

A. Who Would You Choose?

You are the owner of a very prosperous, rapidly growing company. An important position has opened up that would offer someone a tremendous promotion. After interviewing members of your staff, the decision has been narrowed down to two applicants. Each has the technical skills necessary and a vast background of experience.

At the last minute, you uncover some very interesting information. You are told that, even though the first applicant has the necessary skill sets, he is constantly late, leaves early, doesn't follow through on assignments and is undependable. He is described as being "lazy."

You are informed that the second applicant possesses the same skills, yet is extremely conscientious, reliable, thorough and takes full responsibility for her assignments. She is described as being "diligent."

Who would you choose?

The answer is very simple. Anyone would choose the person described as "diligent" over the one described as "lazy." That is exactly how God's system of promotion works. God prospers and promotes those who are diligent—conscientious, reliable, industrious, thorough and responsible.

B. God Promotes and Prospers Those Who Are Diligent

1. Genesis 41—Joseph was working when he was promoted.
    a. Verse 12: "There was there with us a young man, an Hebrew, servant to the captain of the guard; and we told him, and he interpreted to us our dreams."
    b. Verse 41: "And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, See, I have set thee over all the land of Egypt."
2. 1 Samuel 16—David was working when he was promoted .
    a. Verse 11: "And Samuel said unto Jesse, Are here all thy children? And he said, There remaineth yet the youngest, and, behold, he keepeth the sheep."
    b. Verse 12: "And the Lord said, Arise, anoint him: for this is he."
3. Acts 6—Stephen was working when he was promoted.
    a. Verse 3: "Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business."
    b. Verse 5: "And they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost."
    c. Verse 8: "And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people."

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4. Luke 2—Jesus was working when He was promoted.
    a. Verse 49: "I must be about my Father's business."
5. Luke 5 (GNB)—Simon, James and John were working when they got promoted.
    a. Verse 5 (GNB): "We worked hard all night long."
    b. Verse 10: "From henceforth thou shalt catch men."

C. What Proverbs Says About Diligence and Prosperity

1. Proverbs 10:4-5—Diligent People Are Hard Workers
    a. TLB: "Lazy men are soon poor; hard workers get rich. A wise youth makes hay while the sun shines, but what a shame to see a lad who sleeps away his hour of opportunity."
    b. NIV-84: "Lazy hands make a man poor, but diligent hands bring wealth. He who gathers crops in summer is a wise son, but he who sleeps during harvest is a disgraceful son."
    c. Proverbs 13:4 (TLB): "Lazy people want much but get little, while the diligent are prospering."
2. Proverbs 21:5—Diligent People Thoughtfully Plan
    a. NIV: "The plans of the diligent lead to profit as surely as haste leads to poverty."
    b. NLT: "Good planning and hard work lead to prosperity, but hasty shortcuts lead to poverty."
    c. AMPC: "The thoughts of the [steadily] diligent tend only to plenteousness, but everyone who is impatient and hasty hastens only to want."
3. Proverbs 12:27—Diligent People Are Resourceful.
    a. TLB: "A lazy man won't even dress the game he gets while hunting, but the diligent man makes good use of everything he finds."
    b. NIV-84: "The lazy man does not roast his game, but the diligent man prizes his possessions."
    c. AMPC: "The slothful man does not catch his game or roast it once he kills it, but the diligent man gets precious possessions."
4. Proverbs 22:29—Diligent People Serve Great Leaders
    a. TLB: "Do you know a hard-working man? He shall be successful and stand before kings!"
    b. NIV-84: "Do you see a man skilled in his work? He will serve before kings; he will not serve before obscure men."
    c. NLT: "Do you see any truly competent workers? They will serve kings rather than working for ordinary people."
5. Proverbs 12:24—Diligent People Become Great Leaders
    a. TLB: "Work hard and become a leader; be lazy and never succeed."
    b. NIV-84: "Diligent hands will rule, but laziness ends in slave labor."
    c. 1 Kings 11:28 (NLT): "Jeroboam was a very capable young man, and when Solomon saw how industrious he was, he put him in charge of the labor force from the tribes of Ephraim and Manasseh, the descendants of Joseph."

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10 Marvelous Days of Prosperity

The Lord Will Furnish Your Home

Day #68

A. Psalm 112:1, 3: "Praise ye the Lord. Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord, that delighteth greatly in his commandments. Wealth and riches shall be in his house: and his righteousness endureth for ever."

"I'll never forget the time Gloria discovered that scripture. We didn't have any money at the time, and the walls in our house were as bare as they could be. But she was ready to decorate. So she took that promise, 'Wealth and riches shall be in his house' and laid claim to it by faith.

"Suddenly, everywhere we went, somebody was giving us a painting or some other little treasure for our house.

"Unfortunately, most believers aren't as quick to believe God for that kind of thing as Gloria was. Some even claim God doesn't promise us New Testament believers physical prosperity—just spiritual. But the truth is, you can't separate the two. That's why Jesus says if you'll seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, then all these (material) things will be added to you. He knows the spiritual realm and the material realm are connected.

"Don't let anyone talk you out of God's promises of prosperity. You don't have to choose between financial and spiritual prosperity. Both belong to you. Lay claim to them by faith. As a born-again child of God, dare to reach out and receive the riches that belong to you!"

—Excerpt of *From Faith to Faith* by Kenneth and Gloria Copeland, November 13

B. Home-Furnishing Scriptures

1. Deuteronomy 6:10-11 (AMPC): "When the Lord your God brings you into the land which He swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give you, with great and goodly cities which you did not build, and houses full of all good things which you did not fill, and cisterns hewn out which you did not hew, and vineyards and olive trees which you did not plant."
2. Psalm 112:3 (MSG): "Their houses brim with wealth and a generosity that never runs dry."
3. Psalm 122:7 (AMPC): "May peace be within your walls and prosperity within your palaces!"
4. Proverbs 15:6 (AMPC): "In the house of the [uncompromisingly] righteous is great [priceless] treasure."
    a. NIV-84: "The house of the righteous contains great treasure."
5. Proverbs 24:3-4 (AMPC): "Through skillful and godly Wisdom is a house (a life, a home, a family) built, and by understanding it is established [on a sound and good foundation], and by knowledge shall its chambers [of every area] be filled with all precious and pleasant riches."
    a. Verse 4 (NLT): "Through knowledge its rooms are filled with all sorts of precious riches and valuables."
    b. Verse 4 (NIV): "Through knowledge its rooms are filled with rare and beautiful treasures."

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C. Confession of Home Furnishings

Father, in the Name of Jesus,
I thank You that You provide all things richly to enjoy.
That includes the furnishing of my home.
According to Your Word, I believe I receive:
Wealth and riches in my home.
My house brimming with wealth.
Houses full of all good things which I did not fill.
Peace within my walls and prosperity within my palaces.
Great and priceless treasure.
The chambers of every area filled with all precious and pleasant riches and rare and beautiful treasures.
In the same way You furnished the Temple,
Thank You for furnishing my home!

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The Goodness of God

Day #69

A. Psalm 31:19—The Goodness of God

1. NIV-84: "How great is your goodness, which you have stored up for those who fear you, which you bestow in the sight of men on those who take refuge in you."
2. God's goodness is His nature.
   a. He is "Jehovah the Good."
   b. Good is who He is and good is what He does.
   c. It is the foundation of our relationship with God.
3. From Gloria Copeland's book, *Blessed Beyond Measure—Experiencing the Extraordinary Goodness of God*
   a. "Often, when I think of how good-natured God is, I am reminded of my grandfather. All of his grandchildren called him Pop. Pop was a truly good, kindhearted man, and he loved to do good things for everyone, especially his grandchildren. We quickly figured out that he would say yes to almost anything we asked him to do. I never remember him saying no."
   b. "Even before I had my driver's license, he let me drive his pickup around the Arkansas countryside. I remember times he even let me take it to the movies in a nearby town."
   c. "If my grandmother had not been there to stop him, I think Pop would have given us anything we wanted."
   d. "Although it has been many years since he passed over, every time our family gets together, we talk about Pop. It makes us happy just to remember how good he was to us."
   e. The goodness of Pop is a picture of the goodness of God.
4. *Goodness* (HEB) = good in the widest sense of the word
5. The goodness of God represents:
   a. Everything He is
   b. Everything He has
   c. Everything He desires to do for us

B. Ephesians 3:20—How Great Is the Goodness of God?

1. "The goodness of God is the greatest good that man could ever think of—only greater!" —Aubrey Oaks
   a. Think of the greatest good that God could do in your life—and His goodness is greater still.
   b. The goodness of God is "good" to the furthest extreme.

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2. Ephesians 3:20 (AMPC): "Now to Him Who, by (in consequence of) the [action of His] power that is at work within us, is able to [carry out His purpose and] do superabundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams]."
3. Exodus 33:18-19: "And he said, I beseech thee, show me thy glory. And he said, I will make all my goodness pass before thee, and I will proclaim the name of the Lord before thee; and will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy."
4. Exodus 34:5-6: "…The Lord God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth."
5. James 1:17 (AMPC): "Every good gift and every perfect (free, large, full) gift is from above; it comes down from the Father of all [that gives] light."

C. Prosperity and the Goodness of God

1. *Goodness* (HEB) = prosperity, good things, goods, property
2. Psalm 65:11: "Thou crownest the year with thy goodness; and thy paths drop fatness."
   a. Verses 11-13 (NLT): "You crown the year with a bountiful harvest; even the hard pathways overflow with abundance. The grasslands of the wilderness become a lush pasture, and the hillsides blossom with joy. The meadows are clothed with flocks of sheep, and the valleys are carpeted with grain."
   b. Verse 11 (NIV): "You crown the year with your bounty, and your carts overflow with abundance."
3. Psalm 107:8-9: "Oh that men would praise the Lord for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men! For he satisfieth the longing soul, and filleth the hungry soul with goodness."
   a. Psalm 34:8-10: "O taste and see that the Lord is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him. O fear the Lord, ye his saints: for there is no want to them that fear him. The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing."
4. Psalm 16:2 (NLT): "Every good thing I have comes from you."
   a. NIV: "Apart from you I have no good thing."
   b. AMPC: "I say to the Lord, You are my Lord; I have no good beside or beyond You."
5. Psalm 23:6: "Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life."
   a. *Follow* (HEB) = to pursue, chase after, protect from behind
   b. God's goodness is pursuing us, chasing after us and is protecting us from behind.
   c. Deuteronomy 28:2: "And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee."

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Get Back Up on Your Faith

Day #70

A. Luke 8:22-25—Where Is Your Faith?

1. Of all the things Jesus could have said to the disciples, He said, "Where is your faith?"
2. In other words, "Where is your trust in what I have already told you?"
3. Too many have gotten out of faith where believing for finances is concerned.
4. The temptation is for people to give up believing God in tough times.
   a. They cast away their confidence which has great recompense of reward (Hebrews 10:35).
   b. They stop acting on and paying attention to the Word. As a result, their faith begins to slip out as a leaking vessel (Hebrews 2:1).
   c. They become weary in well doing and are not able to reap in due season (Galatians 6:9).
5. The word from the Lord to those that have let go of their faith is, "Get back up on your faith!"
   a. The stronger your faith, the easier it is to believe God for provision.
   b. Matthew 21:21-22: "Verily I say unto you, If ye have faith, and doubt not, ye shall not only do this which is done to the fig tree, but also if ye shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; it shall be done. And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive."
   c. Faith is the answer to the storm.

B. Hebrews 11:1: "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."

1. AMPC: "Now faith is the assurance (the confirmation, the title deed) of the things [we] hope for, being the proof of things [we] do not see and the conviction of their reality [faith perceiving as real fact what is not revealed to the senses]."
2. NLT: "Faith is the confidence that what we hope for will actually happen; it gives us assurance about things we cannot see."
3. Faith says, "It is mine now!"

C. Romans 4:17-21—Faith calls things which be not as though they were.

1. Verse 17 (AMPC): "As it is written, I have made you the father of many nations. [He was appointed our father] in the sight of God in Whom he believed, Who gives life to the dead and speaks of the nonexistent things that [He has foretold and promised] as if they [already] existed."
2. Verse 18: *According to* (GK) = in hearty agreement with
3. Faith is released by words.

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   a. 2 Corinthians 4:13: "We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak."
   b. The essence of faith is to "believe it and say it."
   c. Mark 11:22-23: "Have faith in God. 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."
4. To speak the Word of God over your life is actually to prophesy.
   a. 2 Peter 1:19: "We have also a more sure word of prophecy."
   b. You are the prophet of your own life.
5. Ezra 6:14 (AMPC): "And the elders of the Jews built and they prospered through the prophesying of Haggai the prophet and Zechariah."
6. Speak the word of God and prophesy over whatever it is you need in your life.
   a. 1 John 5:4: "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith."
   b. Get back up on your faith and lay hold of what you need with your words, and don't let go until it is yours.

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10 Awesome Days of Prosperity

God's Great Storehouse—Part 1

Day #71

A. "God's Great Storehouse"—Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, Nov. 10, 2011

1. "I have a great storehouse. Much more has been stored up in the storehouse of riches beyond your wildest dream that I laid up for you before the foundation of the world."
2. "Much more is stored up there than what the Church has ever called for."
3. "I never have held back on the Church," saith The LORD and the God of plenty. "I've made it available to you. I put it in My WORD. I gave you promise and stood behind it with the blood—the precious blood of your Savior."
4. "But there has been a backwardness in My people about laying hold of the things that I have provided for you."
5. "But I will say this: There is a people in the land. There is a people around the world. There is a people strong and mighty growing much stronger and much mightier and more bold to lay hold and put their claim of faith on the things that I have laid up for you and it thrills Me," saith The LORD, "because it's been yours all the time."

B. "I have a great storehouse."

1. Deuteronomy 28:12: "The Lord shall open unto thee his good treasure…."
   a. *Treasure* (HEB) = storehouse
   b. HEB: Treasures such as silver, gold, etc.
   c. BBE: "…His store-house in heaven."
   d. CEV: "…The storehouses of the skies."
   e. NIV: "…The storehouse of his bounty."
   f. *Stone Edition Chumash:* His storehouse of goodness
2. Hebrews 13:20-21 (AMPC): "Now may the God of peace…strengthen (complete, perfect) and make you what you ought to be and equip you with everything good that you may carry out His will."
   a. *Make you perfect* (GK)—to outfit
3. Psalm 31:19 (NIV-84): "How great is your goodness, which you have stored up for those who fear you, which you bestow in the sight of men on those who take refuge in you."
   a. *Goodness* (HEB) = prosperity, good things, property
4. Proverbs 2:6-7 (NIV-84): "For the Lord gives wisdom, and from his mouth come knowledge and understanding. He holds victory [KJV: wisdom] in store for the upright, he is a shield to those whose walk is blameless."
5. 2 Peter 1:2-3 (AMPC): "May grace (God's favor) and peace (which is perfect well-being, all necessary good, all spiritual prosperity, and freedom from fears and agitating

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passions and moral conflicts) be multiplied to you in [the full, personal, precise, and correct] knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord. For His divine power has bestowed upon us all things that [are requisite and suited] to life and godliness, through the [full, personal] knowledge of Him Who called us by and to His own glory and excellence (virtue)."

C. "Much more has been stored up in the storehouse of riches beyond your wildest dream that I laid up for you before the foundation of the world."

1. Ephesians 3:20: "Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us."
2. AMPC: "Now to Him Who, by (in consequence of) the [action of His] power that is at work within us, is able to [carry out His purpose and] do superabundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams]."
3. MSG: "God can do anything, you know—far more than you could ever imagine or guess or request in your wildest dreams!"
4. Malachi 3:10 (MSG): "Bring your full tithe to the Temple treasury so there will be ample provisions in my Temple. Test me in this and see if I don't open up heaven itself to you and pour out blessings beyond your wildest dreams."
5. "I have plans that you have never dreamed of," saith The LORD. "They are beyond your wildest imagination. I did it just for you. Heaven is overloaded with things that I have prepared for your enjoyment. If you will simply come to that place where you just say, 'God, I am so grateful,' and give Me an opportunity."—Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, Southwest Believers' Convention, Aug. 7, 2009

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God's Great Storehouse—Part 2

Day #72

A. "God's Great Storehouse" Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, Nov. 10, 2011

1. "I have a great storehouse. Much more has been stored up in the storehouse of riches beyond your wildest dream that I laid up for you before the foundation of the world."
2. "Much more is stored up there than what the Church has ever called for."
3. "I never have held back on the Church," saith The LORD and the God of plenty. "I've made it available to you. I put it in My WORD. I gave you promise and stood behind it with the blood—the precious blood of your Savior."
4. "But there has been a backwardness in My people about laying hold of the things that I have provided for you."
5. "But I will say this: There is a people in the land. There is a people around the world. There is a people strong and mighty growing much stronger and much mightier and more bold to lay hold and put their claim of faith on the things that I have laid up for you and it thrills Me," saith The LORD, "because it's been yours all the time."

B. "Much more is stored up there than what the Church has ever called for."

1. An untapped supply exists.
   a. Unclaimed treasures of heaven are awaiting our bold claim of faith.
   b. There is supply in the storehouse that the Church has never before accessed.
2. Isaiah 45:3 (AMPC): "And I will give you the treasures of darkness and hidden riches of secret places, that you may know that it is I, the Lord, the God of Israel, Who calls you by your name."
   a. MSG: "I'll lead you to buried treasures, secret caches of valuables."
   b. NIV-84: "I will give you the treasures of darkness, riches stored in secret places."
   c. GW: "I will give you treasures from dark places and hidden stockpiles."
   d. Psalm 104:24: "O Lord, how manifold are thy works! in wisdom hast thou made them all: the earth is full of thy riches."
3. Proverbs 8:18-21 (AMPC): "Riches and honor are with me, enduring wealth and righteousness (uprightness in every area and relation, and right standing with God). My fruit is better than gold, yes, than refined gold, and my increase than choice silver. I [Wisdom] walk in the way of righteousness (moral and spiritual rectitude in every area and relation), in the midst of the paths of justice, that I may cause those who love me to inherit [true] riches and that I may fill their treasuries."
   a. Verses 18-19 (MSG): "Wealth and Glory accompany me—also substantial Honor and a Good Name. My benefits are worth more than a big salary, even a very big salary; the returns on me exceed any imaginable bonus."

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4. Psalm 103:2 (AMPC): "Bless…the Lord, O my soul, and forget not [one of] all His benefits."
5. "For all of you who will take My WORD and stand on it, the Kingdom is for you, the angels are for you, all of heaven's reserves are at your call." —Word from the Lord through Brother Copeland, Oct. 28, 2010

C. "I never have held back on the Church, saith The LORD and the God of plenty. I've made it available to you. I put it in My WORD. I gave you promise and stood behind it with the blood—the precious blood of your Savior."

1. Deuteronomy 28:12: "The Lord shall open unto thee his good treasure."
   a. *Open* (HEB) = to let loose, to be thrown open
   b. MSG: "God will throw open the doors of His sky vaults."
   c. The same word open is used in Malachi 3:10.
2. Psalm 84:11 (AMPC): "For the Lord God is a Sun and Shield; the Lord bestows [present] grace and favor and [future] glory (honor, splendor, and heavenly bliss)! No good thing will He withhold from those who walk uprightly."
3. Psalm 34:8-10 (NIV-84): "Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed is the man who takes refuge in him. Fear the Lord, you his saints, for those who fear him lack nothing. The lions may grow weak and hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing."
4. Philippians 4:19 (AMPC): "And my God will liberally supply (fill to the full) your every need according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus."
   a. BBE: "And my God will give you all you have need of from the wealth of his glory in Christ Jesus."
5. Luke 12:32 (AMPC): "Do not be seized with alarm and struck with fear, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom!"
6. Romans 8:32 (NIV): "He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?"
7. 1 Timothy 6:17 (NIV): "Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment."
8. James 1:17: "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.
9. Everything we need is in God's Word.
   a. 2 Peter 1:4: "Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises."
10. It is all backed by the blood of Jesus.

A Time of Great Wealth

Word From the Lord Through Kenneth Copeland
November 17, 2011

What about 2012?

It is a time of great wealth for you, a time of great opportunities. Continue to stay in My rest. Heaven's release is continuing to increase. It is building up. Enjoy it! It is working!

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10 Awesome Days of Prosperity

God's Great Storehouse—Part 3

Day #73

A. "God's Great Storehouse" Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, Nov. 10, 2011

1. "I have a great storehouse. Much more has been stored up in the storehouse of riches beyond your wildest dream that I laid up for you before the foundation of the world."
2. "Much more is stored up there than what the Church has ever called for."
3. "I never have held back on the Church," saith The LORD and the God of plenty. "I've made it available to you. I put it in My WORD. I gave you promise and stood behind it with the blood—the precious blood of your Savior."
4. "But there has been a backwardness in My people about laying hold of the things that I have provided for you."
5. "But I will say this: There is a people in the land. There is a people around the world. There is a people strong and mighty growing much stronger and much mightier and more bold to lay hold and put their claim of faith on the things that I have laid up for you and it thrills Me," saith The LORD, "because it's been yours all the time."

B. "But there has been a backwardness in My people about laying hold of the things that I have provided for you."

1. *Backwardness* (Merriam-Webster) = behind; not as advanced in learning or development
2. Joshua 18:1-3 (NLT): "How long are you going to wait before taking possession of the remaining land the Lord, the God of your ancestors, has given to you?"
3. MSG: "How long are you going to sit around on your hands, putting off taking possession of the land that God…has given you?"
4. *Slack* (HEB)
   a. Postpone, put off and waste time
   b. Slow, sluggish and lazy—backwardness
   c. Easily influenced and swayed
5. How long are you going to put off taking what is rightfully yours in God's great storehouse?

C. "But I will say this: There is a people in the land. There is a people around the world. There is a people strong and mighty growing much stronger and much mightier and more bold to lay hold and put their claim of faith on the things that I have laid up for you and it thrills Me," saith The LORD, "because it's been yours all the time."

1. Deuteronomy 1:8: "Behold, I have set the land before you: go in and possess the land which the Lord sware unto your fathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give unto them and to their seed after them."

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   a. NLT: "Go in and occupy it."
   b. MSG: "Go in and take it."
2. *Possess* (HEB)
   a. To dispossess and drive out the previous tenants, expel
   b. To take possession of
   c. To claim as yours
3. *Claim* (Merriam-Webster)
   a. To take as the rightful owner
   b. To assert in the face of possible contradiction
4. Matthew 11:12: "And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force."
   a. AMPC: "And from the days of John the Baptist until the present time, the kingdom of heaven has endured violent assault, and violent men seize it by force [as a precious prize—a share in the heavenly kingdom is sought with most ardent zeal and intense exertion]."
      i. It takes a faith-intense effort to get out of debt.
   b. NIV-84: "From the days of John the Baptist until now, the kingdom of heaven has been forcefully advancing, and forceful men lay hold of it."
   c. *Take it by force* (GK) HARPAZO
      i. Harpoon
      ii. To seize or carry off by force, catch, pluck, pull
      iii. To claim for one's self eagerly
      iv. To snatch out or away
5. John 14:13: "Whatsoever you shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son."
   a. *Ask* (GK) AITEO
      i. Call for, require, demand, insist
      ii. Adamant in requiring or demanding assistance
   b. Not arrogant or rude
   c. (GK) Whatever you demand, claim, require and insist on the basis of your covenant and as your Christian right, I will personally see to it that it is carried out.
   d. It thrills God when we boldly place a demand on what is already ours and claim everything He has provided.

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The Lord of the Storehouse

Word From the Lord Through Kenneth Copeland
January 23, 2012

God is The LORD of the storehouse. He is the treasurer.

Remember that lousy old saying about the king sitting in his counting house, counting out his gold? No, no, no. That's not right. Our King is not in His counting house, counting out His gold. *We* are His tabernacle. He sits on the throne of grace. He's not counting out anything. He's The LORD of the harvest. He's The LORD of the treasure. He's The LORD of the treasure house, which is part of THE BLESSING of Abraham in Deuteronomy 28:12.

That is part of what will come on us and overtake us, if we hearken to the commandment of The LORD. Jesus said, "If you do what I tell you, My Father will love you and I will love you."

Why would He hold that treasure until you got to heaven? You don't need it there. Here's where you need treasure. Here's where you need things. The treasure is on the inside of us. You activate it with the voice of faith. As you do that, it releases THE BLESSING. It goes out and causes ALL things to be added to you. It is not going to fall down from heaven. It's on the inside of you.

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God's Great Storehouse—Part 4

Day #74

A. "God's Great Storehouse" Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, Nov. 10, 2011

1. "I have a great storehouse. Much more has been stored up in the storehouse of riches beyond your wildest dream that I laid up for you before the foundation of the world."
2. "Much more is stored up there than what the Church has ever called for."
3. "I never have held back on the Church," saith The LORD and the God of plenty. "I've made it available to you. I put it in My WORD. I gave you promise and stood behind it with the blood—the precious blood of your Savior."
4. "But there has been a backwardness in My people about laying hold of the things that I have provided for you."
5. "But I will say this: There is a people in the land. There is a people around the world. There is a people strong and mighty growing much stronger and much mightier and more bold to lay hold and put their claim of faith on the things that I have laid up for you and it thrills Me," saith The LORD, "because it's been yours all the time."

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1. Mark 11:22-24—We claim with our faith.
   a. Never passive, retreating, backward or shy
   b. A confident trust; fully persuaded
   c. An aggressive and forward-directed force
2. Hebrews 10:38-39: "Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him. But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul."
3. Mark 11:24: "…Believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them."
   a. *Receive* (GK) = take
   b. Take with much force
   c. Seize with a grip that can't be shaken off
4. Hebrews 11:32-34: They possessed, claimed, laid hold of and took by their faith.
   a. "And what shall I more say? for the time would fail me to tell of Gedeon, and of Barak, and of Samson, and of Jephthae; of David also, and Samuel, and of the prophets: Who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, Quenched the violence of fire,

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escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens."

b. MSG: "Through acts of faith, they toppled kingdoms, made justice work, took the promises for themselves. They were protected from lions, fires, and sword thrusts, turned disadvantage to advantage, won battles, routed alien armies."

5. We must become strong in faith in order to claim and lay hold of what already belongs to us in God's great storehouse.
   a. Caleb's faith was strong enough to possess what was already his.
   b. Numbers 13:30: "And Caleb stilled the people before Moses, and said, Let us go up at once, and possess it; for we are well able to overcome it!"
   c. Joshua 14:10-13 (NIV-84): "'Now then, just as the Lord promised, he has kept me alive for forty-five years since the time he said this to Moses, while Israel moved about in the desert. So here I am today, eighty-five years old! I am still as strong today as the day Moses sent me out; I'm just as vigorous to go out to battle now as I was then. Now give me this hill country that the Lord promised me that day. You yourself heard then that the Anakites were there and their cities were large and fortified, but, the Lord helping me, I will drive them out just as he said.' Then Joshua blessed Caleb son of Jephunneh and gave him Hebron as his inheritance."

C. Romans 4:17—We Claim With Our Words

1. Proverbs 18:20-21: "…Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof."
   a. Words control the entire course of a person's future and the circumstances surrounding their lives.
   b. Words are spiritual containers that carry faith or fear, life or death.
   c. Words are spiritual magnets that draw good or bad, depending upon what is spoken.
      i. *Lasso*—a loop of rope that is designed to be thrown around a target and tightened when pulled
      ii. *Tractor beam*—a device with the ability to lock onto and pull one object to another
2. Romans 4:17: "(As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations,) before him whom he believed, even God, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those things which be not as though they were."
   a. NRSV: "Calls into existence the things that do not exist"
   b. GK: Calling the things not being as being
   c. "You activate it with the voice of faith. As you do that, it releases THE BLESSING. It goes out and causes ALL things to be added to you."—Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, Jan. 23, 2012
3. *Call* (GK) KALEO = to summon, order and command
   a. Summons—an authoritative command demanding someone to appear in person
   b. Jury duty summons—"You are hereby notified to appear."
4. What God has provided by His grace, we must possess with our words of faith.
5. 2 Corinthians 4:13: "We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak."

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The Dual Nature of the Storehouse

Word From the Lord Through Kenneth Copeland
January 23, 2012

Some have thought that the storehouse was in heaven, and rightly so. Only a very few have even considered that there was a storehouse there, except to have the idea, propagated by religion, that the heavenly storehouse was to be opened only after one gets to heaven.

Nothing is any further from the truth.

Even fewer have understood the dual nature of the storehouse. Dual only in concept of the natural mind, because, you see, it is the same storehouse.

But for the sake of your understanding, the duality of the storehouse is that the storehouse in heaven is also inside your spirit man. All of it. It doesn't have to come from heaven to the earth. All things are already in the earth that you need to do the job in the earth that I called you in the earth to do. And the power that reaches out from inside you, and procures all those things, I've set aside for you, and put your name on it, [so you can] accomplish that which I have called and hold you responsible for. That power is in you and on you.

It is the power to excel. It is released by faith.

It is because of My love for you that you will come behind in nothing. No thing!

That power is called THE BLESSING. B-L-E-S-S-I-N-G that came from the BLESSED One, the BLESSED Redeemer, the BLESSED Father, the BLESSED Holy Ghost. The One who is that power has BLESSED you, and has done so in My Name and in My blood, as though you have never sinned.

So rejoice. Look to the storehouse. It is all there, and it is all waiting for My WORD to energize your faith, the key to the Kingdom, and unlock that storehouse. For as one among you recently said, this is a voice-activated system.

Activate it. Release it. And you'll surely know great reward on the earth and in heaven.

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10 Awesome Days of Prosperity

The Law of Progressive Increase

Day #75

A. Psalm 115:11-14: "…The Lord shall increase you more and more, you and your children."

1. *Shall increase you more and more* (HEB) = will continue to add, over and above
2. "One of the most exciting things I ever discovered about God's law of sowing and reaping was the fact that financial harvests are not seasonal. If you plant year round, you can be receiving year round. If you will keep planting consistently, you will receive just as consistently. If you continually cast your bread on the water, eventually it will come in on every wave!"—Kenneth Copeland, *From Faith to Faith*
3. There is a supernatural momentum, an exponential growth and a blessing cycle that occurs when giving and receiving are set on a consistent and uninterrupted course.
4. That is called "The Law of Progressive Increase."
5. The key to progressive increase is consistency.
    a. In consistency lies the power.
    b. "The longer you walk and the longer you sow and the more deposits you make, the greater your harvest will be. And soon, your tithe is what your salary was when you started. It keeps increasing and increasing and increasing. It goes from ten times to a hundred times. Do you know what I read in the scripture about God? He multiplies. He doesn't just add to us—He multiplies! Our days are multiplied. Our goods are multiplied. That is why the Word talks about abundance and abounding—these kinds of words describe God and what He does."—Gloria Copeland, *The Kingdom of God—Days of Heaven on Earth*

B. Luke 6:38—The Law of Progressive Increase: Case Study No. 1

1. "Give, and it shall be given unto you…."
2. Stage One: Good measure
3. Stage Two: Pressed down
4. Stage Three: Shaken together
5. Stage Four: Running over

C. Mark 4:30-32—The Law of Progressive Increase: Case Study No. 2

1. "And he said, Whereunto shall we liken the kingdom of God? or with what comparison shall we compare it? It is like a grain of mustard seed, which, when it is sown in the earth, is less than all the seeds that be in the earth: but when it is sown:"
2. Stage One: It grows up.

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3. Stage Two: It becomes greater than all herbs.
4. Stage Three: It shoots out great branches.
5. Stage Four: The fowls of the air may lodge under the shadow of it.

D. Genesis 26:12-14—The Law of Progressive Increase: Case Study No. 3

1. "Then Isaac sowed in that land…."
2. Stage One: He received in the same year an hundredfold.
3. Stage Two: And the man waxed great.
4. Stage Three: He went forward.
5. Stage Four: He grew until he became very great.
    a. Verse 13 (NLT): "He became a very rich man, and his wealth continued to grow.
        i. He became the richest man in the world.
    b. *Waxed great* (HEB) = to increase, advance, be promoted, to exceed, to tower
    c. *Very great* (HEB) = speedily, quickly, rapidly
    d. HEB: "The man was great. He kept going on and was great, until he became exceeding great."
6. Stage Five: For he had possession of flocks, and possession of herds and a great store of servants.

E. The Law of Progressive Increase: Case Study No. 4

1. Kenneth and Gloria Copeland were married in 1962 and financially struggled until they heard the word of faith in 1967.
2. Stage One: They became partners with Oral Roberts for $10 per month in that same year.
3. Stage Two: They launched out in their own ministry in 1967.
4. Stage Three: They decided to sow seed and tithe and stand on Romans 13:8 (AMPC) that said, "Keep out of debt and owe no man anything, except to love one another."
5. Stage Four: Over the next 45 years, Kenneth Copeland Ministries experienced "The Law of Progressive Increase." They have experienced supernatural momentum, exponential growth and a blessing cycle that is still growing because their giving and receiving has been and still is set on a consistent and uninterrupted course.

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The Laws of Poverty—Part 1

Day #76

A. Proverbs 10:15—The Laws of Poverty

1. NIV: "The wealth of the rich is their fortified city, but poverty is the ruin of the poor."
2. Poverty
   a. *Pauper* (LATIN) = a very poor person
   b. HEB: To be destitute, needy, poor, impoverished, insufficient, deficient; to live in a state of lack and extreme want
   c. The spirit of poverty has a look and an odor.
3. There are spiritual laws that govern poverty as well as prosperity.
4. There are spiritual laws that set poverty in motion.
5. "You will have to spend time in The WORD in order to get your thinking straight, your speaking straight and your actions straight. As long as you are thinking, talking and acting poverty, you are going to get more of it than you can stand—it will overtake you." —Kenneth Copeland, *Living in Prosperity*

B. Law No. 1—Don't Acknowledge God

1. "Prosperity is the result of doing God's ways."

   "Some pass the poverty test, but fail the prosperity test. You get your needs met and receive great abundance. But, your heart will begin to grow cold if you don't keep God's Word first place in your life. All of a sudden, you are taken with the things that have been added to you. They could be things like cars, planes, houses, land—whatever it is that you like. You have to walk circumspectly to walk in prosperity. You have to keep putting God first."

   "When all your needs are met, remember where you got it. Remember that it was God that gave you the power to get wealth. One thing about wealth—it can come quickly and it can go quickly." —Gloria Copeland, *The Kingdom of God—Days of Heaven on Earth*
2. Jeremiah 17:5-6 (NIV-84): "This is what the Lord says: 'Cursed is the one who trusts in man, who depends on flesh for his strength and whose heart turns away from the Lord. He will be like a bush in the wastelands; he will not see prosperity when it comes. He will dwell in the parched places of the desert, in a salt land where no one lives.'"
3. Deuteronomy 8:11, 19: "Beware that thou forget not the Lord thy God, in not keeping his commandments, and his judgments, and his statutes, which I command thee this day. And it shall be, if thou do at all forget the Lord thy God, and walk after other gods, and serve them, and worship them, I testify against you this day that ye shall surely perish."

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4. 2 Chronicles 26:5 (AMPC): "He (King Uzziah) set himself to seek God in the days of Zechariah, who instructed him in the things of God; and as long as he sought (inquired of, yearned for) the Lord, God made him prosper."
    a. 2 Chronicles 26:16 (NLT): "But when he had become powerful, he also became proud, which led to his downfall. He sinned against the Lord his God by entering the sanctuary of the Lord's Temple and personally burning incense on the incense altar."[1]
        i. AMPC: "But when [King Uzziah] was strong, he became proud to his destruction; and he trespassed against the Lord his God, for he went into the temp le of the Lord to burn incense on the altar of incense."
5. Jeremiah 17:7-8: "Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is. For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters."
6. Proverbs 3:6 (NKJV): "In all your ways acknowledge (know) him, and He shall direct your paths."

C. Law No. 2—Don't Exercise Self-Control

1. Proverbs 21:17 (NIV-84): "He who loves pleasure will become poor; whoever loves wine and oil will never be rich."
    a. Loves pleasure more than God
    b. Loves wine and oil more than God
    c. Matthew 22:37 (NIV): "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind."
2. Proverbs 23:19-21 (NIV-84): "Listen, my son, and be wise, and keep your heart on the right path: Do not join those who drink too much wine or gorge themselves on meat, for drunkards and gluttons become poor, and drowsiness clothes them in rags."
    a. Verse 21: "The drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty."
3. Galatians 6:7-8 (NIV-84): "Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. The one who sows to please his sinful nature, from that nature will reap destruction; the one who sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life."
4. Romans 6:23: "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."
5. Proverbs 16:32: "He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty; and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city."

[1] 2 Chronicles 26:5 As in Syriac and Greek versions; Hebrew reads *who instructed him in divine visions.*

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The Laws of Poverty—Part 2

Day #77

A. Proverbs 10:15—The Laws of Poverty

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2. Poverty
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B. Law No. 3—Don't Work

1. Proverbs 6:6-11 (NIV-84): "Go to the ant, you sluggard; consider its ways and be wise! It has no commander, no overseer or ruler, yet it stores its provisions in summer and gathers its food at harvest. How long will you lie there, you sluggard? When will you get up from your sleep? A little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to rest—and poverty will come on you like a bandit and scarcity like an armed man."
   a. MSG: "You lazy fool, look at an ant. Watch it closely; let it teach you a thing or two. Nobody has to tell it what to do. All summer it stores up food; at harvest it stockpiles provisions. So how long are you going to laze around doing nothing? How long before you get out of bed? A nap here, a nap there, a day off here, a day off there, sit back, take it easy—do you know what comes next? Just this: You can look forward to a dirt-poor life, poverty your permanent houseguest!"
2. Proverbs 24:30-34 (NIV-84): "I went past the field of the sluggard, past the vineyard of the man who lacks judgment; thorns had come up everywhere, the ground was covered with weeds, and the stone wall was in ruins. I applied my heart to what I observed and learned a lesson from what I saw: A little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to rest—and poverty will come on you like a bandit and scarcity like an armed man."
3. Proverbs 20:13 (NIV): "Do not love sleep or you will grow poor; stay awake and you will have food to spare."

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a. MSG: "Don't be too fond of sleep; you'll end up in the poorhouse. Wake up and get up; then there'll be food on the table."
b. *Sleep* (HEB) = to be slack or languid (sluggish in character; lacking force or quickness of movement, *Merriam-Webster),* to grow old and stale

4. Proverbs 19:15 (NIV-84): "Laziness brings on deep sleep, and the shiftless man goes hungry."
5. Proverbs 10:4-5 (NIV-84): "Lazy hands make a man poor, but diligent hands bring wealth. He who gathers crops in summer is a wise son, but he who sleeps during harvest is a disgraceful son."
6. Proverbs 20:4 (MSG): "A farmer too lazy to plant in the spring has nothing to harvest in the fall."
7. Proverbs 21:5 (NIV): "The plans of the diligent lead to profit as surely as haste leads to poverty."
   a. "The thoughts of the diligent tend only to plenteousness; but of every one that is hasty only to want."
   b. *Hasty* (Merriam-Webster) = in a hurry
8. Proverbs 13:4 (NIV-84): "The sluggard craves and gets nothing, but the desires of the diligent are fully satisfied."
9. Ecclesiastes 10:18 (NIV-84): "If a man is lazy, the rafters sag; if his hands are idle, the house leaks."

C. Law No. 4—Don't Give and Tithe

1. Proverbs 11:24-28 (NIV-84): "One man gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty. A generous man will prosper; he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed. People curse the man who hoards grain, but blessing crowns him who is willing to sell. He who seeks good finds goodwill, but evil comes to him who searches for it. Whoever trusts in his riches will fall, but the righteous will thrive like a green leaf."
   a. Verse 24 (NLT-96): "It is possible to give freely and become more wealthy, but those who are stingy will lose everything."
   b. Verse 24 (MSG): "The world of the generous gets larger and larger; the world of the stingy gets smaller and smaller."
2. Proverbs 28:22 (NIV-84): "A stingy man is eager to get rich and is unaware that poverty awaits him."
3. Joshua 7-8: Achan hid the tithe in his tent and caused Israel's defeat at the Battle of Ai.
4. 2 Corinthians 9:6 (NIV): "Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously."
5. Proverbs 22:9 (NIV-84): "A generous man will himself be blessed, for he shares his food with the poor."

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D. Law No. 5—Don't Obey God

1. Deuteronomy 28:15 (NIV): "However, if you do not obey the Lord your God and do not carefully follow all his commands and decrees I am giving you today, all these curses will come on you and overtake you."
    a. Poverty is a curse.
    b. Deuteronomy 28:38 (NLT): "You will plant much but harvest little, for locusts will eat your crops."
2. Isaiah 1:19-20: "If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land: But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it."
3. Job 36:11-12 (NIV): "If they obey and serve him, they will spend the rest of their days in prosperity and their years in contentment. But if they do not listen, they will perish by the sword and die without knowledge."
    a. NLT: "If they listen and obey God, they will be blessed with prosperity throughout their lives. All their years will be pleasant. But if they refuse to listen to him, they will be killed by the sword and die from lack of understanding."
    b. HEB: They will cross the river of death.[2]
4. Genesis 26: Isaac obeyed God and reaped the hundredfold return in a time of intense famine and poverty.
5. Deuteronomy 28:1-2 (NLT): "If you fully obey the Lord your God and carefully keep all his commands that I am giving you today, the Lord your God will set you on high above all the nations of the world. You will experience all these blessings if you obey the Lord your God."
    a. "And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee."
    b. Verse 2 (NIV): "All these blessings will come on you and accompany you if you obey the Lord your God."
    c. Verse 13 (NLT): "If you listen to these commands of the Lord your God that I am giving you today, and if you carefully obey them, the Lord will make you the head and not the tail, and you will always be on top and never at the bottom."

[2] Job 36:12 Or *they will cross the river [of death].*

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Our Generous Father—Part 1

Day #78

A. James 1:5—Our Generous God

1. NLT: "If you need wisdom, ask *our generous God,* and he will give it to you. He will not rebuke you for asking."
2. "If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of *God, that giveth to all men liberally,* and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him."
3. NIV-84: "If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask *God, who gives generously to all* without finding fault, and it will be given to him."
4. AMPC: "If any of you is deficient in wisdom, let him ask of *the giving God* [Who gives] to everyone liberally and ungrudgingly, without reproaching or faultfinding, and it will be given him."
5. WUEST: "The giving God who gives to all with simplicity and without reserve"
6. Verse 5 is referring to the nature of God's extreme generosity.
    a. He is not just generous with His wisdom.
    b. He is a generous, liberal giver of everything.
7. God is most generous all the time. You'll never catch Him on a bad, stingy day, because He is the same yesterday, today and tomorrow.

B. Ephesians 1:3—He Has Already Generously Supplied Everything

1. The purpose of this study is to enlarge our capacity to receive the generosity of our loving, heavenly Father.
2. The more we meditate upon His generosity, the more we are able to receive all that He has already provided.
3. So many miss out on what God wants to do when they don't comprehend His immense generosity.
    a. Many think that He is holding back on His provision.
    b. "I have never held back on the Church, saith the God of plenty. I've made it available to you. I put it in My WORD." —Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, November 10, 2011
    c. We can only receive as much as we allow Him to give.
4. "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ."
    a. MSG: "How blessed is God! And what a blessing he is! He's the Father of our Master, Jesus Christ, and takes us to the high places of blessing in him."

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b. NIV: "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ."

5. 2 Peter 1:3 (NLT): "By his divine power, God has given us everything we need for living a godly life."

C. Psalm 23:1 (AMPC)—"The Lord is my Shepherd [to feed, guide, and shield me], I shall not lack."

1. "Midrash Shocher Tov elaborates on how these words, 'I shall lack nothing' describes God's boundless generosity towards the Israelites in the wilderness." —*The Tehillim*
2. "Elsewhere, we find a similar statement, 'These forty years, HASHEM your God has been with you, you have lacked nothing' (Deuteronomy 2:7)." —*The Tehillim*
3. "Rabbi Judah said in the name of Rabbi Elazar: 'Travel has three detrimental effects. It wears out clothing, it exhausts the body, and if forces one to skimp on food (due to the great financial burden of travel). None of these deprivations befell Israel, who lacked nothing in the wilderness.'" —*The Tehillim*
4. "Furthermore, it is human nature that when a person welcomes a guest, on the first day of his visit he slaughters a fat calf for him. On the second day, a sheep. On the third, a hen. On the fourth day, he serves beans, and on the fifth day even less. Not so in the wilderness, as it says 'These forty years,' which represents the entire period, from the beginning to end. On the last day of the forty years God was just as generous as on the first." —*The Tehillim*
5. "Rabbi Nechemiah said: They lacked for nothing. All they had to do was say a word and their wish was immediately fulfilled. If they so much as said, 'let the Manna taste like calf's flesh,' so it did. Or, they could give it the taste of rich oil, or fine flour, or spiced wine, or sweet cakes. The Rabbis say: 'It was not even necessary for them to speak. All they had to do was to think, and their heart's desire came to pass immediately.'" —*The Tehillim*
6. Psalm 84:11 (AMPC): "For the Lord God is a Sun and Shield; the Lord bestows [present] grace and favor and [future] glory (honor, splendor, and heavenly bliss)! No good thing will He withhold from those who walk uprightly."
7. Psalm 34:9-10 (NIV-84): "Fear the Lord, you his saints, for those who fear him lack nothing. The lions may grow weak and hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing."

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Our Generous Father—Part 2

Day #79

A. James 1:5—Our Generous God

1. NLT: "If you need wisdom, ask *our generous God,* and he will give it to you. He will not rebuke you for asking."
2. "If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him."
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4. AMPC: "If any of you is deficient in wisdom, let him ask of *the giving God* [Who gives] to everyone liberally and ungrudgingly, without reproaching or faultfinding, and it will be given him."
5. Verse 5 is referring to the nature of God's extreme generosity.
    a. He is not just generous with His wisdom.
    b. He is a generous, liberal giver of everything.

B. God's Overwhelming Generosity

1. Deuteronomy 28:2: "And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God."
2. Psalm 31:19 (AMPC): "Oh, how great is Your goodness, which You have laid up for those who fear, revere, and worship You, goodness which You have wrought for those who trust and take refuge in You before the sons of men!"
    a. *Goodness* (HEB) = prosperity, abundance, property
3. 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."
    a. *Pleasure* (HEB) = delight, desire, is pleased to do
    b. Psalm 147:11 (NIV): "The Lord delights in those who fear him, who put their hope in his unfailing love."
4. Psalm 103:2 (AMPC): "Bless (affectionately, gratefully praise) the Lord, O my soul, and forget not [one of] all His benefits."
5. Proverbs 10:22 (AMPC): "The blessing of the Lord—it makes [truly] rich, and He adds no sorrow with it [neither does toiling increase it]."
6. Malachi 3:10 (AMPC): "Bring all the tithes (the whole tenth of your income) into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house, and prove Me now by it, says the Lord

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

   a. MSG: "Bring your full tithe to the Temple treasury so there will be ample provisions in my Temple. Test me in this and see if I don't open up heaven itself to you and pour out blessings beyond your wildest dreams."

7. Luke 12:32 (AMPC): "Do not be seized with alarm and struck with fear, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom!"
8. Luke 15:31 (NIV): "'My Son,' the father said, 'you are always with me, and everything I have is yours.'"
   a. "All that I have is thine."
   b. AMPC: "All that is mine is yours."
9. Romans 8:32 (NIV): "He who did not spare his own Son, but gave him up for us all—how will he not also, along with him, graciously give us all things?"
10. Philippians 4:19 (AMPC): "And my God will liberally supply (fill to the full) your every need according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus."
11. 1 Timothy 6:17 (NIV): "Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment."
12. Hebrews 11:6: "But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him."
    a. *Rewarder* (GK) = one who pays off and discharges that which is due
13. James 1:17: "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning."

C. Matthew 7:7-11—How to Receive His Generous Supply

1. NIV-84: "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened. Which of you, if his son asks for bread, will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a snake? If you, then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give good gifts to those who ask him!"
2. James 1:6: "But let him ask in faith…."
3. 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."
4. 1 John 5:14-15 (NIV): "This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of him."
5. 1 Chronicles 29:14 (NIV): "But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to give as generously as this? Everything comes from you, and we have given you only what comes from your hand."

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10 Awesome Days of Prosperity

100 DAYS OF PROSPERITY

The Generous Life

Day #80

A. Ephesians 5:1—Following the Father's Example

1. AMPC: "Be imitators of God [copy Him and follow His example], as well-beloved children [imitate their father]."
2. Philippians 4:19 (AMPC): "And my God will liberally supply (fill to the full) your every need according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus."
3. Jesus was noted for His generosity.
    a. John 13:27-29 (NIV-84): "As soon as Judas took the bread, Satan entered into him. 'What you are about to do, do quickly,' Jesus told him, but no one at the meal understood why Jesus said this to him. Since Judas had charge of the money, some thought Jesus was telling him to buy what was needed for the Feast, or to give something to the poor."
    b. Mark 12:43-44 (MSG): "Jesus called his disciples over and said, 'The truth is that this poor widow gave more to the collection than all the others put together. All the others gave what they'll never miss; she gave extravagantly what she couldn't afford—she gave her all.'"
        i. 1 John 3:17-18 (AMPC): "But if anyone has this world's goods (resources for sustaining life) and sees his brother and fellow believer in need, yet closes his heart of compassion against him, how can the love of God live and remain in him? Little children, let us not love [merely] in theory or in speech but in deed and in truth (in practice and in sincerity)."
4. Jesus was and is not a cheapskate—and neither are we!
5. Our passion is to follow in His footsteps of generosity.
    a. Act like Him, talk like Him and walk in the same generosity as Jesus.
6. My motivation for accumulation is distribution.
7. True prosperity is the ability to use God's power to meet the needs of mankind in any realm of life.

B. The Righteous Are Generous

1. Genesis 12:2 (AMPC): "I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you [with abundant increase of favors] and make your name famous and distinguished, and you will be a blessing [dispensing good to others]."
2. Psalm 37:21 (NIV): "The wicked borrow and do not repay, but the righteous give generously."

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3. Psalm 37:25-26 (NIV-84): "I was young and now I am old, yet I have never seen the righteous forsaken or their children begging bread. They are always generous and lend freely; their children will be blessed."
4. Psalm 112:5 (AMPC): "It is well with the man who deals generously and lends, who conducts his affairs with justice."
    a. Verse 9 (AMPC): "He has distributed freely [he has given to the poor and needy]; his righteousness (uprightness and right standing with God) endures forever; his horn shall be exalted in honor."
5. Luke 12:33-34 (MSG): "Be generous. Give to the poor. Get yourselves a bank that can't go bankrupt, a bank in heaven far from bankrobbers, safe from embezzlers, a bank you can bank on. It's obvious, isn't it? The place where your treasure is, is the place you will most want to be, and end up being."
6. Proverbs 11:25 (NIV-84): "A generous man will prosper; he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed."
    a. Verses 24-25 (AMPC): "There are those who [generously] scatter abroad, and yet increase more; there are those who withhold more than is fitting or what is justly due, but it results only in want. The liberal person shall be enriched, and he who waters shall himself be watered."
    b. Verses 24-25 (MSG): "The world of the generous gets larger and larger; the world of the stingy gets smaller and smaller. The one who blesses others is abundantly blessed; those who help others are helped."
7. Galatians 6:10 (KNOX): "Let us practise generosity to all, while the opportunity is ours; and above all, to those who are of one family with us in the faith."
8. 1 Timothy 6:17-19 (NIV): "Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life."

C. 2 Corinthians 9:6-14 (NIV-84)—The Result of Generosity

1. Verse 6: "Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously."
2. Verse 7: "Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."
3. Verse 8-9: "And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. As it is written: 'He has scattered abroad his gifts to the poor; his righteousness endures forever.'"
4. Verse 10: "Now he who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will also supply and increase your store of seed and will enlarge the harvest of your righteousness."
5. Verses 11-13: "You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of God's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God. Because of the service by which you have proved yourselves, men will praise God for the obedience that accompanies your confession of the gospel of Christ, and for your generosity in sharing with them and with everyone else."

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10 Days of True Prosperity

Are You Prepared for Prosperity?

Day #81

A. Are You Prepared for Prosperity?

"…I am looking to and fro across the earth for those to whom I may show Myself strong and transfer My property and My influence in the earth out of the hands of the powers of darkness and into the hands of My people.

"Are you prepared?

"What would you do if I put you in charge?

"Would you follow the plan that the world already has that is full of confusion and doubt and unbelief, or would you dare rise up and say, 'Thus saith The LORD…'?"

—Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, June 27, 2011

B. How Do We Prepare for This Great Transfer of Wealth?

1. God's Word reveals how to prepare for prosperity.
2. There is a sharp contrast between God's covenant people and the world concerning the handling of their wealth.
3. Their differing attitudes and character traits are clearly defined in Scripture.
4. Would we even know how to properly handle wealth when it came to us?
   a. What would we do with it?
   b. We must function on a higher level than the world.
5. "What would you do if I put you in charge?"
   a. Now is the time to prepare for that assignment.
   b. Now is the time to learn how to be rich—God's way.

C. Proverbs 10:22—The Blessing of the Lord, It Makes Rich and He Adds No Sorrow to It

1. *Rich* is not a bad word—it is a biblical word.
   a. To accumulate and grow
   b. To become wealthy
2. The key to biblical wealth is in how it is handled.
   a. Proverbs 1:32: "The prosperity of fools shall destroy them."
   b. Proverbs 28:10: "The upright shall have good things in possession."
3. "If you will learn to follow the inward witness, I will make you rich. I will guide you in all the affairs of life, financial as well as spiritual. I am not opposed to My children being rich; I am opposed to them being covetous. To be rich is to have a full supply and abundant provision." —Word from the Lord to Kenneth E. Hagin

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4. True prosperity vs. the world's prosperity
    a. "The world's definition of prosperity is very limited in its scope—financial ability and power. In fact, it goes only this far by its own admission. The world itself admits that it has no power to overcome poverty, sickness, spiritual or social ills." —From *The Laws of Prosperity* by Kenneth Copeland
    b. "True Prosperity is the ability to use God's power to meet the needs of mankind in any realm of life." —From *The Laws of Prosperity* by Kenneth Copeland
    c. "God's power is the only power that covers the entire spectrum of human existence." —From *The Laws of Prosperity* by Kenneth Copeland
5. The difference is very clear.
    a. Worldly wealth is all about self.
    b. True prosperity is all about obeying God and serving others.
    c. The world's motivation for accumulation is acquisition.
    d. True prosperity's motivation for accumulation is distribution.
    e. The worldly rich use people to get things.
    f. True prosperity uses things to love people.

D. Become an Expert at Managing God's Resources

"In a world that believes the only reason for prosperity is to buy bigger cars and finer houses, a new Church is rising up. These believers are not deceived by greed. They know God's purposes for prosperity.

"These believers know God wants to bless His people so they can be a blessing. They know He gives us power to get wealth, so He may establish His covenant (Deuteronomy 8:18) and so we 'may have to give to him that needeth' (Ephesians 4:28).

"God wants us to minister to a world caught up in the cycle of greed and lack. We can't do that if we are wondering where our next meal is coming from. God knows that. That's why He has provided us 'all sufficiency in all things'—so we may have enough to 'abound to every good work' (2 Corinthians 9:8).

"Our part is to learn how to access His resources and how to use what He provides. You've heard people say about their money and their giving, 'It all belongs to God anyway.' That sounds good, but it isn't true. Your money isn't all God's, and it's not all yours. All wealth comes from God. And He is the One who has given you the power to get wealth. But He is very specific about what is His, what is yours and what you are to do with what He provides.

"The bottom line is this: You are blessed to be a blessing. You oversee both your and His resources. You oversee wealth He has provided for some very specific Kingdom purposes.

"Silver, gold and all the wealth of the earth are His. For too long the forces of Satan have controlled those resources, using them to drag men into darkness. Now it's time for the Church to learn what true wealth really is, tap in to the riches that spring from the Word instead of the world, and enjoy living as givers in spreading the gospel throughout the earth.

"The most powerful spiritual invasion force the devil has ever had to face since Jesus walked this earth will be the Church alive to God's purposes for prosperity. They have found more joy in giving than in anything money could buy. They allowed themselves to become experts in managing the resources God provides."

—From *Blessed to Be a Blessing* by Kenneth Copeland

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10 Days of True Prosperity

God's Instructions to the Rich

Day #82

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C. Study the Lives of Lottery Winners

"Study the lives of lottery winners. They turn out badly because they are poor people with money." (Note the woman who won $1,000,000 in the lottery who wanted to keep her welfare payments of $200 per month.)

"They did not become wealthy people because they were still poor in their thinking and in their spirits. They had no clue what to do with all that money. They tend to take the 'quick grab' and leave half of it laying on the table. They were going to pay $250,000 every month for 25 years. Instead, they want the whole $12,000,000 right now. Why? Because they want to blow it. If they had any sense, they would take the $250,000 each month and make $20,000,000 each year with it." (Note the lottery winner who started a pool table repair franchise and lost $12,000,000.)

—From *True Prosperity* by Kenneth and Gloria Copeland

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D. 1 Timothy 6:17-19—Instructions to the Rich

1. Paul did not exclude rich people from the Church.
2. Paul was a wealthy man.
    a. Acts 24:25-26 (NIV): "As Paul discoursed on righteousness, self-control and the judgment to come, Felix was afraid and said, 'That's enough for now! You may leave. When I find it convenient, I will send for you.' At the same time he was hoping that Paul would offer him a bribe, so he sent for him frequently and talked with him."
        i. No one expects a bribe from a poor man.
        ii. Verse 26: "He hoped also that money should have been given him of Paul, that he might loose him."
    b. Philemon 18 (AMPC): "And if he has done you any wrong in any way or owes anything [to you], charge that to my account."
        i. NLT: "Charge it to me."
        ii. WNT: "Debit me with the amount."
    c. Philippians 4:18 (AMPC): "I have everything I need and am amply supplied."
        i. "I have all, and abound: I am full…."
        ii. MSG: "I have it all—and keep getting more!"
3. Paul was not intimidated by wealthy people.
    a. "Charge them that are rich in this world."
    b. *Charge* (GK) = order them, command them, teach them
4. Paul understood the pitfalls of wealth.
    a. 1 Timothy 6:9-10 (AMPC): "But those who crave to be rich fall into temptation and a snare and into many foolish (useless, godless) and hurtful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction and miserable perishing. For the love of money is a root of all evils; it is through this craving that some have been led astray and have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves through with many acute [mental] pangs."
    b. MSG: "But if it's only money these leaders are after, they'll self-destruct in no time. Lust for money brings trouble and nothing but trouble. Going down that path, some lose their footing in the faith completely and live to regret it bitterly ever after."
    c. Matthew 19:23-24 (AMPC): "And Jesus said to His disciples, Truly I say to you, it will be difficult for a rich man to get into the kingdom of heaven. Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to go into the kingdom of heaven."
5. Paul's instructions to the rich
    a. That they not be high-minded
    b. Nor trust in uncertain riches but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy
    c. That they do good
    d. That they be rich in good works
    e. Ready to distribute, willing to communicate

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10 Days of True Prosperity

Wealth and Humility

Day #83

Foundation Scripture: "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; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life" (1 Timothy 6:17-19).

A. 1 Timothy 6:17—Don't Be High-Minded

1. *High-minded* (GK) = arrogant, haughty and prideful
   a. *Arrogant* (Merriam-Webster) = disposed to exaggerate one's own worth or importance by an overbearing manner
2. AMPC: "Charge them not to be proud and arrogant and contemptuous of others.
3. MSG: "Tell those rich in this world's wealth to quit being so full of themselves and so obsessed with money."
4. Paul realized that one of the pitfalls of having wealth is the temptation to see one's self as being superior to others.
5. True prosperity walks in humility.
   a. The more prosperous we become, the more humble we should become.

B. Luke 16:19-31 (NIV-84)—The Rich Man and Lazarus

1. Verses 19-21: "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores and longing to eat what fell from the rich man's table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores."
   a. The rich man never reached out to the beggar.
   b. He most likely wanted him out of the way and was relieved when he died.
2. Verses 22-24: "The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried. In hell, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side. So he called to him, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire.'"
   a. The rich man began ordering Abraham to order Lazarus to go fetch some water.
   b. He would not even speak directly to Lazarus—it was still beneath him.
3. Verses 25-26: "But Abraham replied, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed,

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so that those who want to go from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us.'"

a. Abraham tried to talk to the rich man about the beggar and about the great chasm.
b. He completely ignored Abraham on both counts.

4. Verses 27-29: "He answered, 'Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus to my father's house, for I have five brothers. Let him warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them listen to them.'"
   a. Again, the rich man is talking directly to Abraham to send Lazarus to his father's house.
   b. The rich man is not hearing Abraham.
5. Verses 30-31: "'No, father Abraham,' he said, 'but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"
   a. Now, the rich man is arguing with Abraham.
   b. The wealthy have a tendency to not listen, be prideful and act arrogantly toward others.

C. Humility Vs. Pride

1. Proverbs 18:23 (MSG): "The poor speak in soft supplications; the rich bark out answers."
   a. NLT: "The poor plead for mercy; the rich answer with insults."
   b. NIV-84: "A poor man pleads for mercy, but a rich man answers harshly."
2. Proverbs 28:11 (MSG): "The rich think they know it all, but the poor can see right through them."
3. Hosea 13:6 (NLT): "But when you had eaten and were satisfied, you became proud and forgot me."
4. Ezekiel 28:4-5 (NLT): "With your wisdom and understanding you have amassed great wealth—gold and silver for your treasuries. Yes, your wisdom has made you very rich, and your riches have made you very proud."
5. Revelation 3:17 (MSG): "You brag, 'I'm rich, I've got it made, I need nothing, from anyone,' oblivious that in fact you're a pitiful, blind beggar, threadbare and homeless."
6. Jeremiah 9:23-24 (NLT): "This is what the Lord says: 'Don't let the wise boast in their wisdom, or the powerful boast in their power, or the rich boast in their riches. But those who wish to boast should boast in this alone: that they truly know me and understand that I am the Lord who demonstrates unfailing love and who brings justice and righteousness to the earth, and that I delight in these things. I, the Lord, have spoken!'"
7. Proverbs 22:4 (NLT): "True humility and fear of the Lord lead to riches, honor, and long life."

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10 Days of True Prosperity

Who Do You Trust?

Day #84

Foundation Scripture: "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; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life" (1 Timothy 6:17-19).

> "Again, please note this scripture doesn't say to charge them that are rich in this world to get rid of everything they have, because God doesn't like people who have things. It doesn't tell us to save one old shiny suit and move off into a cabin in the hills and be humble. If you do that, you simply take yourself out of any position to bless anyone else in the rest of the world. That's the most selfish thing that a Christian could do.
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> "No, these verses simply said the rich shouldn't trust in their riches, but in God. That's an important point. It's something you'll have to deal with where your own mind and flesh are concerned, and the more you prosper, the more you'll have to deal with it.
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> "You'll have to judge yourself every day of your life on your own inner attitude and faith to make sure you're depending on God and not on what you have in the bank. But don't let that scare you. Just make a sober determination that you'll do it."
>
> —From *Blessed to Be a Blessing* by Kenneth Copeland

A. 1 Timothy 6:17—Don't Trust in Wealth

1. NIV: "Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment."
2. NLT: "Teach those who are rich in this world not to be proud and not to trust in their money, which is so unreliable. Their trust should be in God, who richly gives us all we need for our enjoyment."
3. MSG: "Tell those rich in this world's wealth to quit being so full of themselves and so obsessed with money, which is here today and gone tomorrow. Tell them to go after God, who piles on all the riches we could ever manage."
4. Paul understood that the rich were tempted to replace their trust in God with their trust in wealth.
5. His assignment was to lead the rich away from their trust in money and redirect their trust toward God.

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B. Mark 10:17-27 (NIV-84)—The Rich Young Ruler

1. Verses 17-18: "As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. 'Good teacher,' he asked, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' 'Why do you call me good?' Jesus answered. 'No one is good–except God alone.'"
2. Verses 19-20: "'You know the commandments: "Do not murder, do not commit adultery, do not steal, do not give false testimony, do not defraud, honor your father and mother."' 'Teacher,' he declared, 'all these I have kept since I was a boy.'"
3. Verse 21: "Jesus looked at him and loved him. 'One thing you lack,' he said. 'Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.'"
    a. He did not trust the love of God coming from Jesus.
    b. Jesus was calling him into the ministry as an apostle—and he traded his apostleship for money.
    c. Jesus was also looking for Judas' replacement.
4. Verse 22: "At this the man's face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth."
    a. KJV: "And he was sad at that saying, and went away grieved: for he had great possessions."
    b. AMPC: "At that saying the man's countenance fell and was gloomy, and he went away grieved and sorrowing, for he was holding great possessions."
    c. He experienced acute unhappiness and depression over the thought of losing what he had amassed.
    d. He trusted in his great possessions more than he did in the Word of God.
5. Verse 23: "Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God!'"
    a. The rich are entrenched in the world's system of finance.
    b. It is possible to cross over into the kingdom system, but it can be difficult.
6. Verses 24-25: "And the disciples were astonished at his words. But Jesus answereth again, and saith unto them, Children, how hard is it for them that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God."
    a. "Jesus was telling him to sell and give to the poor. But why did He tell him that and we don't have any record of anything of Him saying that any other time? Because that was his problem. He was keeping the commandments. He was doing what was good. But he had this one problem. Jesus was trying to set him free so that he could trust in Him.

    "Trusting in riches is the danger of being caught up in the world's system. This world's system can only go so far. It is not the answer to every need.

    "Thank God I am not dependent upon the world's system!" —From *The Kingdom of God—Days of Heaven on Earth* by Gloria Copeland
7. Verses 26-27 (NIV-84): "The disciples were even more amazed, and said to each other, 'Who then can be saved?' Jesus looked at them and said, 'With man this is impossible, but not with God; all things are possible with God.'"

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C. Who Do You Trust?

1. Proverbs 11:28 (NIV-84): "Whoever trusts in his riches will fall, but the righteous will thrive like a green leaf."
2. Psalm 52:7-8 (NIV): "'Here now is the man who did not make God his stronghold but trusted in his great wealth and grew strong by destroying others!' But I am like an olive tree flourishing in the house of God; I trust in God's unfailing love for ever and ever."
3. Psalm 62:10 (NIV-84): "Do not trust in extortion or take pride in stolen goods; though your riches increase, do not set your heart on them."
    a. NLT: "Don't make your living by extortion or put your hope in stealing. And if your wealth increases, don't make it the center of your life."
4. Jeremiah 17:5-6 (NIV-84): "This is what the Lord says: 'Cursed is the one who trusts in man, who depends on flesh for his strength and whose heart turns away from the Lord. He will be like a bush in the wastelands; he will not see prosperity when it comes. He will dwell in the parched places of the desert, in a salt land where no one lives.'"
5. Verses 7-8 (NIV-84): "But blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him. He will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit."

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10 Days of True Prosperity

Beware, Lest You Forget God

Day #85

Foundation Scripture: "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; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life" (1 Timothy 6:17-19).

A. 1 Timothy 6:17—Their Trust Should Be in God

1. Paul understood that the source of trust can shift once money enters the picture.
2. Once trust has shifted, the next step is to forget God.
3. Hosea 13:6 (NIV): "When I fed them, they were satisfied; when they were satisfied, they became proud; then they forgot me."
4. Once the rich forget God, it is downhill from there.
5. Isaiah 17:10-11 (NIV): "You have forgotten God your Savior; you have not remembered the Rock, your fortress. Therefore, though you set out the finest plants and plant imported vines, though on the day you set them out, you make them grow, and on the morning when you plant them, you bring them to bud, yet the harvest will be as nothing in the day of disease and incurable pain."

B. Deuteronomy 8:7-20 (MSG)—Make Sure You Don't Forget God

1. Verse 11: "Make sure you don't forget God, your God, by not keeping his commandments, his rules and regulations that I command you today."
2. Verses 12-13: "Make sure that when you eat and are satisfied, build pleasant houses and settle in, see your herds and flocks flourish and more and more money come in, watch your standard of living going up and up."
3. Verses 14-16: "Make sure you don't become so full of yourself and your things that you forget God, your God, the God who delivered you from Egyptian slavery; the God who led you through that huge and fearsome wilderness, those desolate, arid badlands crawling with fiery snakes and scorpions; the God who gave you water gushing from hard rock; the God who gave you manna to eat in the wilderness, something your ancestors had never heard of, in order to give you a taste of the hard life, to test you so that you would be prepared to live well in the days ahead of you."
4. Verses 17-18: "If you start thinking to yourselves, 'I did all this. And all by myself. I'm rich. It's all mine!'—well, think again. Remember that God, your God, gave you the strength to produce all this wealth so as to confirm the covenant that he promised to your ancestors—as it is today."

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5. Verses 19-20: "If you forget, forget God, your God, and start taking up with other gods, serving and worshiping them, I'm on record right now as giving you firm warning: that will be the end of you; I mean it—destruction. You'll go to your doom—the same as the nations God is destroying before you; doom because you wouldn't obey the Voice of God, your God."

C. Keep Putting God First

"Prosperity is the result of doing God's ways.

"Some pass the poverty test, but fail the prosperity test. You get your needs met and receive great abundance. But, your heart will begin to grow cold if you don't keep God's Word first place in your life. All of a sudden, you are taken with the things that have been added to you. They could be things like cars, planes, houses, land—whatever it is that you like. You have to walk circumspectly to walk in prosperity. You have to keep putting God first.

"When all your needs are met, remember where you got it. Remember that it was God who gave you the power to get wealth. One thing about wealth—it can come quickly and it can go quickly."

—From *The Kingdom of God—Days of Heaven on Earth* by Gloria Copeland

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10 Days of True Prosperity

Who Do You Love, Seek and Obey?

Day #86

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A. 1 Timothy 6:9-10—Love God, Not Money

1. "But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. 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."
2. Ecclesiastes 5:10-11 (NIV-84): "Whoever loves money never has money enough; whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with his income. This too is meaningless. As goods increase, so do those who consume them. And what benefit are they to the owner except to feast his eyes on them?"
3. Proverbs 8:17-21 (NIV-84): "I love those who love me, and those who seek me find me. With me are riches and honor, enduring wealth and prosperity. My fruit is better than fine gold; what I yield surpasses choice silver. I walk in the way of righteousness, along the paths of justice, bestowing wealth on those who love me and making their treasuries full."

B. Psalm 34:10—Seek God, Not Money

1. NIV: "The lions may grow weak and hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing."
2. 2 Chronicles 26:5 (AMPC): "He set himself to seek God in the days of Zechariah, who instructed him in the things of God; and as long as he sought (inquired of, yearned for) the Lord, God made him prosper."
    a. Verse 16 (NIV): "But after Uzziah became powerful, his pride led to his downfall. He was unfaithful to the Lord his God."
3. 2 Chronicles 31:20-21 (NIV-84): "This is what Hezekiah did throughout Judah, doing what was good and right and faithful before the Lord his God. In everything that he undertook in the service of God's temple and in obedience to the law and the commands, he sought his God and worked wholeheartedly. And so he prospered."
    a. 2 Chronicles 32:27-29 (NIV-84): "Hezekiah had very great riches and honor, and he made treasuries for his silver and gold and for his precious stones, spices, shields and all kinds of valuables. He also made buildings to store the harvest of

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grain, new wine and oil; and he made stalls for various kinds of cattle, and pens for the flocks. He built villages and acquired great numbers of flocks and herds, for God had given him very great riches."

C. Job 36:11-12—Obey God, Not Money

1. NIV: "If they obey and serve him, they will spend the rest of their days in prosperity and their years in contentment. But if they do not listen, they will perish by the sword and die without knowledge."
2. Matthew 6:24 (NIV-84): "No one can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and Money."
3. Deuteronomy 28:1-2 (NIV): "If you fully obey the Lord your God and carefully follow all his commands I give you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all the nations on earth. All these blessings will come upon you and accompany you if you obey the Lord your God."

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The Upright and the Wicked

Day #87

Foundation Scripture: "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; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life" (1 Timothy 6:17-19).

A. 1 Timothy 6:18—Do Good With Your Money

1. Why would Paul have to point out the obvious?
   a. The rich had a reputation for using their money to do wicked things.
   b. Those wicked things lead to disaster.
2. Proverbs 1:18-19 (NIV-84): "These men lie in wait for their own blood; they waylay only themselves! Such is the end of all who go after ill-gotten gain; it takes away the lives of those who get it."
   a. Proverbs 28:16 (NIV-84): "A tyrannical ruler lacks judgment, but he who hates ill-gotten gain will enjoy a long life."
3. Proverbs 13:11 (NIV-84): "Dishonest money dwindles away, but he who gathers money little by little makes it grow."
   a. NLT: "Wealth from get-rich-quick schemes quickly disappears; wealth from hard work grows over time."
   b. AMPC: "Wealth [not earned but] won in haste or unjustly or from the production of things for vain or detrimental use [such riches] will dwindle away, but he who gathers little by little will increase [his riches]."
   c. Matthew Henry Commentary: "Wealth gotten by dishonesty or vice has a secret curse, which will speedily waste it."
4. Proverbs 28:8 (NLT): "Income from charging high interest rates will end up in the pocket of someone who is kind to the poor."
   a. AMPC: "He who by charging excessive interest and who by unjust efforts to get gain increases his material possession gathers it for him [to spend] who is kind and generous to the poor."
5. Proverbs 28:20 (AMPC): "A faithful man shall abound with blessings, but he who makes haste to be rich [at any cost] shall not go unpunished."

B. Properly Handling Wealth

"The sages of the Jewish commentaries say that judgment is sometimes in riches.

"How could that be?

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"For example, look at an entertainer or an athlete who never had money and is now making lots of money. He has more money than he knows what to do with. But because he is not born again, spirit filled and is living in a dark world, he won't be taking it to church. Where is he going to take it? He will take it to the drug dealer, to the beer joint and to immorality. He can buy all the immorality and drugs that he wants. That is why so many of these people are in trouble. Financially, they have the world on a string—but the world is all they have. Their money drives them to judgment.

"Whether money is good or bad depends on who has the money.

"When the righteous have money, they do good things with it. When the wicked have money, they do bad things with it. And those bad things lead to death—many times at an early age. You might ask, 'Why would that famous person throw his life away?' The reason is because he doesn't know what else to do with it. He is living in the kingdom of darkness.

"You can't look at the rich and wonder how they got their money. Money acquired by ill-gotten gain is not from God. You could be part of the mafia and have lots of money—but you probably won't live out your full number of days. What happens to all of the 'ill-gotten gained' money? It will go right into the hands of the just.

"Do you want to be one of those hands?

"Well, get it together and you can be!"

—From *True Prosperity* by Gloria Copeland

C. Luke 19:1-10 (NIV-84)—A Wealthy, Wicked Man Who Repented

1. Verses 1-2: "Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy."
2. Verses 3-4: "He wanted to see who Jesus was, but being a short man he could not, because of the crowd. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way."
3. Verses 5-6: "When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, 'Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today.' So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly."
4. Verses 7-8: "All the people saw this and began to mutter, 'He has gone to be the guest of a "sinner."' But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, 'Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount.'"
5. Verses 9-10: "Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save what was lost.'"

D. Psalm 73—The Wicked Who Prosper

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10 Days of True Prosperity

Rich in Good Works

Day #88

Foundation Scripture: "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; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life" (1 Timothy 6:17-19).

A. Ephesians 6:5-9—The Wealth Mentality

1. Paul understood that the rich subscribed to a "master/slave" mentality.
2. They were accustomed to being the dictator while those around them were required to fulfill their every command.
   a. This did not just apply toward those who served them.
   b. The rich were treating their Christian brethren this way as well.
3. Paul had to address the conduct of the rich.
4. Ephesians 6:9 (AMPC): "You masters, act on the same [principle] toward them and give up threatening and using violent and abusive words, knowing that He Who is both their Master and yours is in heaven, and that there is no respect of persons (no partiality) with Him."
5. Colossians 4:1 (MSG): "And masters, treat your servants considerately. Be fair with them. Don't forget for a minute that you, too, serve a Master—God in heaven."

B. 1 Timothy 6:18—That They Be Rich in Good Works

1. He admonished them to be "rich in good works."
   a. TCNT: "Urge upon them to show kindness, to exhibit a wealth of good actions."
   b. MSG: "Be rich in helping others."
   c. True wealth is found in helping others.
2. Your good works should be as abundant as your riches.
3. Matthew 5:16 (AMPC): "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your moral excellence and your praiseworthy, noble, and good deeds and recognize and honor and praise and glorify your Father Who is in heaven."
4. 1 Peter 2:12 (NIV): "Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us."
5. Acts 9:36 (NIV-84): "In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (which, when translated, is Dorcas), who was always doing good and helping the poor."

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C. Matthew 27:57-60 (AMPC)—The Rich Man From Arimathea

1. Verse 57: "When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who also was a disciple of Jesus."
    a. A rich man can also be a follower of Jesus.
    b. He stepped in to help Jesus' family, seeing that they did not own a tomb in Jerusalem.
2. Verse 58: "He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus, and Pilate ordered that it be given to him."
    a. Joseph had great wealth—and great influence among the leadership of Jerusalem.
    b. He boldly went to Pilate and asked for and received the body of Jesus.
3. Verse 59: "And Joseph took the body and rolled it up in a clean linen cloth used for swathing dead bodies."
    a. This rich man lifted the body and prepared it himself for burial.
4. Verse 60a: "And laid it in his own fresh (undefiled) tomb, which he had hewn in the rock."
    a. This wealthy man built the tomb himself.
5. Verse 60b: "And he rolled a big boulder over the door of the tomb and went away."
    a. He did all of this himself, not requiring anyone to do it for him.

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Warning: Beware of Covetousness

Day #89

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A. 1 Timothy 6:9-10—While Some Coveted After

1. Paul knew that covetousness was a great temptation of the rich.
2. He also realized that covetousness motivated people who wanted to get rich.
3. *Covetousness* (HEB) = insatiable craving, greed and lust for more—especially at the expense of others
    a. Proverbs 22:16 (NIV-84): "He who oppresses the poor to increase his wealth and he who gives gifts to the rich—both come to poverty."
    b. Jeremiah 17:11 (NIV-84): "Like a partridge that hatches eggs it did not lay is the man who gains riches by unjust means. When his life is half gone, they will desert him, and in the end he will prove to be a fool."
4. *Covetousness* (GK) = a desire for things that exceeds a desire for God
    a. Matthew 6:24 (MSG): "You can't worship two gods at once. Loving one god, you'll end up hating the other. Adoration of one feeds contempt for the other. You can't worship God and Money both."
    b. Psalm 119:36: "Incline my heart unto thy testimonies, and not to covetousness."
        i. MSG: "Give me a bent for your words of wisdom, and not for piling up loot."
5. Covetousness results in disaster.
    a. 1 Timothy 6:9-10 (MSG): "But if it's only money these leaders are after, they'll self-destruct in no time. Lust for money brings trouble and nothing but trouble. Going down that path, some lose their footing in the faith completely and live to regret it bitterly ever after."
    b. Verse 9 (NLT): "But people who long to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many foolish and harmful desires that plunge them into ruin and destruction."
    c. Proverbs 15:27 (NIV-84): "A greedy man brings trouble to his family."
        i. NLT: "Greed brings grief to the whole family."
    d. Ecclesiastes 5:13 (NLT): "Hoarding riches harms the saver."

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B. Disastrous Results of Covetousness

1. 2 Kings 5:27—Gehazi was the shrewd servant of Elisha. Even though Elisha refused payment for the healing of Naaman, Gehazi's greed got the best of him. He collected payment anyway and ended up with leprosy as punishment.
2. 2 Chronicles 26:5, 16, 21—As long as King Uzziah sought the Lord, God made him to prosper. But the stronger he got, the more greedy and prideful he became. The result was destruction. He became a leper and remained so until his death.
3. Matthew 26:14-16, 27:3-5—Judas hung himself for betraying Jesus for thirty pieces of silver.
4. Acts 5:1-11—Ananias and Sapphira fell dead for holding back their money and lying about it.
5. Take note of present-day examples of covetousness—those involved in "Ponzi schemes."

C. Luke 12:13-21—Warning: Beware of Covetousness

1. Verse 13: "And one of the company said unto him, Master, speak to my brother, that he divide the inheritance with me."
2. Verse 14: "And he said unto him, Man, who made me a judge or a divider over you?"
3. Verse 15: "And he said unto them, Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth."
4. Verses 16-17: "And he spake a parable unto them, saying, The ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully: And he thought within himself, saying, What shall I do, because I have no room where to bestow my fruits?"
5. Verse 18: "And he said, This will I do: I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods."
6. Verse 19: "And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry."
7. Verse 20: "But God said unto him, Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided?"
8. Verse 21: "So is he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."

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10 Days of True Prosperity

The Profile of a Wealthy Believer

Day #90

Foundation Scripture: "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; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life" (1 Timothy 6:17-19).

A. 1 Timothy 6:17-19—Be Ready and Willing to Give

1. Paul knew that the rich had a tendency toward being tightfisted with their money.
2. He had to instruct them to be ready and willing to give.
   a. Give to God with their tithe.
   b. Give to the ministry with their offering.
   c. Give to others with their harvest.
      i. 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."
3. *Ready to distribute* (GK) = liberal in giving; generous
   a. MSG: "Be extravagantly generous."
   b. AMPC: "Be liberal and generous of heart."
4. *Willing to communicate* (GK) = an eagerness to share with others
   a. WNT: Openhanded
   b. Given freely and cheerfully
5. 2 Corinthians 9:7 (AMPC): "Let each one [give] as he has made up his own mind and purposed in his heart, not reluctantly or sorrowfully or under compulsion, for God loves (He takes pleasure in, prizes above other things, and is unwilling to abandon or to do without) a cheerful (joyous, "prompt to do it") giver [whose heart is in his giving]."

B. Psalm 112—The Profile of a Wealthy Believer

1. Verse 1—He is blessed because he honors God and His Word.
   a. To be blessed is to be empowered to prosper.
   b. To be blessed is also to be a blessing.
   c. Genesis 12:2 (AMPC): "And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you [with abundant increase of favors] and make your name famous and distinguished, and you will be a blessing [dispensing good to others]."
   d. Zechariah 8:13 (NLT): "Among the other nations, Judah and Israel became symbols of a cursed nation. But no longer! Now I will rescue you and make you both a symbol and a source of blessing."

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2. Verse 2—His children are blessed because of his giving.
    a. NLT: "Their children will be successful everywhere; an entire generation of godly people will be blessed."
    b. Psalm 25:12-13 (NIV-84): "Who, then, is the man that fears the Lord? He will instruct him in the way chosen for him. He will spend his days in prosperity, and his descendants will inherit the land."
    c. Psalm 37:25 (NIV-84): "I was young and now I am old, yet I have never seen the righteous forsaken or their children begging bread. They are always generous and lend freely; their children will be blessed."
    d. Psalm 128:1-3 (NIV-84): "Blessed are all who fear the Lord, who walk in his ways. You will eat the fruit of your labor; blessings and prosperity will be yours. Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your house; your sons will be like olive shoots around your table."
3. Verse 3—Wealth and riches are in his house.
    a. NLT: "They themselves will be wealthy, and their good deeds will last forever."
    b. MSG: "Their houses brim with wealth and a generosity that never runs dry."
4. Verse 4—He is gracious and full of compassion.
    a. *Compassion* (HEB) = a moving, a deep inner yearning, an overwhelming desire of the heart toward supplying the needs of others
    b. Compassion is God's love surging through the heart of one to another.
    c. Luke 10:33-35: "But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion on him, and went to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And on the morrow when he departed, he took out two pence, and gave them to the host, and said unto him, Take care of him; and whatsoever thou spendest more, when I come again, I will repay thee."
5. Verse 5—He displays favor and lends.
    a. MSG: "The good person is generous and lends lavishly."
    b. NIV-84: "Good will come to him who is generous and lends freely, who conducts his affairs with justice."
    c. Proverbs 11:24-25 (NIV-84): "One man gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty. A generous man will prosper; he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed."
    d. Philemon 1:18-19: "If he hath wronged thee, or oweth thee ought, put that on mine account; I Paul have written it with mine own hand, I will repay it: albeit I do not say to thee how thou owest unto me even thine own self besides."
6. Verses 6-8—His heart is established and is not moved during adverse economic times.
    a. Jeremiah 17:7-8 (AMPC): "[Most] blessed is the man who believes in, trusts in, and relies on the Lord, and whose hope and confidence the Lord is. For he shall be like a tree planted by the waters that spreads out its roots by the river; and it shall not see and fear when heat comes; but its leaf shall be green. It shall not be anxious and full of care in the year of drought, nor shall it cease yielding fruit."
    b. Psalm 1:3 (NIV-84): "He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its

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fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers."

7. Verse 9—He is a giver who reaches out to the poor and continues to be promoted.
    a. AMPC: "He has distributed freely [he has given to the poor and needy]."
        i. Our motivation for accumulation is distribution.
    b. MSG: "They lavish gifts on the poor—a generosity that goes on, and on, and on. An honored life! A beautiful life!"
    c. 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."
    d. Proverbs 22:9 (NIV-84): "A generous man will himself be blessed, for he shares his food with the poor."
    e. Proverbs 31:20 (NIV): "She opens her arms to the poor and extends her hands to the needy."
8. Verse 10—He resists the devil—and the devil flees!
    a. Lack of any kind has no place in the house of the righteous.
    b. The prosperous believer stands strong and firm.

C. 1 Timothy 6:19—A Foundation for the Future

1. By following these instructions, the rich will be laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life.
2. *Laying up in store* (GK)
    a. To treasure away
    b. To store up a treasury
    c. To deposit in abundance for future use
3. *A good foundation* (GK)
    a. Something put down
    b. The foundation of a building, wall or a city
    c. The beginnings, the first principals, system of truth
4. That they may lay hold on eternal life
    a. Not just for heaven
    b. Eternal life is also the quality of life here and now.
5. Matthew 6:20-21 (NIV-84): "But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

D. Are You Prepared for Prosperity?

"…I am looking to and fro across the earth for those to whom I may show Myself strong and transfer My property and My influence in the earth out of the hands of the powers of darkness and into the hands of My people.

"Are you prepared?

"What would you do if I put you in charge?

"Would you follow the plan that the world already has that is full of confusion and doubt and unbelief, or would you dare rise up and say, 'Thus saith The LORD…'?"

—Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, June 27, 2011

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10 Days of Wealth Transfer

Supernatural Wealth Transfer

Day #91

A. Psalm 103:1-2—All of God's Covenant Blessings

1. AMPC: "Forget not one of all His benefits."
2. MSG: "Don't forget a single blessing."
3. "For all of you who will take My WORD and stand on it, saith The LORD—the Kingdom is for you, the angels are for you, all of heaven's reserves are at your call." —Word from the Lord through Brother Copeland, October 28, 2010
4. God wants us to take advantage of every provisional benefit.
5. One of those benefits is supernatural wealth transfer.

B. The Largest, Most Significant Wealth Transfer

Word from the Lord through Brother Copeland, Branson Victory Campaign, March 8, 2012

1. "The largest, most significant transfer of property, goods, wealth and people from the hands of the devil into the hands of God's people who are prepared to receive it.
2. "I am telling you, the biggest transfer of property in the history of mankind has just begun and it is swinging into....
3. "It has moved over into its final stage, saith The LORD.
4. "And those who will listen to Me and follow Me and trust Me—those who I have taught My WORD and have given the authority to walk in these things, it is the most outstanding thing that human eyes have ever seen.
5. "And the time is now. Your time has come. Your hour has come. So rise and do those things by faith that you know to do and all that belongs to heaven will come into your hands for your joy."

C. Financial Inversion Shall Increase in These Days

Word from the Lord through Charles Capps, February 1, 1978

"Financial inversion [*inverted*—turned upside down, reversal in position] shall increase in these days. For you see, it is My desire to move in the realm of your financial prosperity. But release Me, saith the Lord, release Me that I may come on your behalf and move on your behalf.

"For yes, yes, yes, there shall be in this hour financial distress here and there. The economy shall go up and it will go down; but those who learn to walk in the Word, they shall see the prosperity of the Word come forth in this hour in a way that has not been seen by men in days past.

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drained into the gospel of Jesus Christ. It shall be done, saith the Lord. It shall be done in the time allotted and so shall it be that the word of the Lord shall come to pass that the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just.

"Predominantly in two ways shall it be done in this hour. Those who have hoarded up and stored because of the inspiration of the evil one and held the money from the gospel shall be converted and drawn into the Kingdom. But many, many will not. They'll not heed the voice of the Word of God. They'll turn aside to this and they'll turn to that and they'll walk in their own ways, but their ways will not work in this hour. It'll dwindle and it'll slip away as though it were in bags with holes in them. It'll go here and it'll go there and they'll wonder why it's not working now. 'It worked in days past,' they'll say.

"But it shall be, saith the Lord, that the word of the Lord shall rise within men—men of God of low esteem in the financial world—that shall claim the Word of God to be their very own and walk in the light of it as it has been set forth in the Word and give. They'll begin to give small at first because that's all they have, but then it will increase, and through the hundredfold return, so shall it be that the reservoirs that have held the riches in days past, so shall it return to the hands of the giver. Because of the hundredfold return shall the reservoirs be lost from the wicked and turned to the gospel. For it shall be, it shall be in this hour that you will see things that you've never dreamed come to pass. Oh, it'll be strong at first in ways, then it will grow greater and greater until men will be astounded and the world will stand in awe because the ways of men have failed and the ways of God shall come forth.

"As men walk in My Word, so shall they walk in the ways of the Lord. Oh yes, there will be some who say, 'Yes, but God's ways are higher, surely higher than our ways, and we can't walk in those.' It's true that the ways of God are higher. They are higher than your ways as the heavens are above the earth, but I'll teach you to walk in My ways. I never did say you couldn't walk in My ways. Now learn to walk in it. Learn to give. So shall the inversion of the financial system revert and so shall it be that the gospel of the kingdom shall be preached to all the world, and there shall be no lack in the kingdom. Those who give shall walk in the ways of the supernatural! They shall be known abroad. My Word shall spread and the knowledge of the Lord shall fill all the earth in the day and the hour in which ye stand. Ye shall see it and know it, for it is of Me, and it shall come to pass, saith the Lord."

"Heaven's release is continuing to increase."
—Word from the Lord through Brother Copeland, December 31, 2011

"The world says doom, and we say bloom!"
—Gloria Copeland

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10 Days of Wealth Transfer

Walking in the Word

Day #92

A. Financial Inversion Shall Increase in These Days

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2. "For you see, it is My desire to move in the realm of your financial prosperity.
3. "But release Me, saith the Lord, release Me that I may come on your behalf and move on your behalf.
4. "For yes, yes, yes, there shall be in this hour financial distress here and there. The economy shall go up and it will go down.
5. "But those who learn to walk in the Word, they shall see the prosperity of the Word come forth in this hour in a way that has not been seen by men in days past."

B. Proverbs 4:7-8—Give God's Word First Place

1. AMPC: "The beginning of Wisdom is: get Wisdom (skillful and godly Wisdom)! [For skillful and godly Wisdom is the principal thing.] And with all you have gotten, get understanding (discernment, comprehension, and interpretation). Prize Wisdom highly and exalt her, and she will exalt and promote you; she will bring you to honor when you embrace her."
   a. *Principal*—first in importance, the main thing
   b. God's Word is His wisdom.
2. "God's Word is His wisdom. Giving the Word first place in your life is the only way that His wisdom can obtain its rightful position. The Bible is God's wisdom written for man. He has sent His Word to you so you can operate in His wisdom on the earth. Put the Word first in your life and exalt it, and it will exalt and promote you." —From *God's Will for You—Expanded Legacy Edition* by Gloria Copeland
3. Proverbs 4:20-22 (AMPC): "My son, attend to my words; consent and submit to my sayings. Let them not depart from your sight; keep them in the center of your heart. For they are life to those who find them, healing *and* health to all their flesh."
4. You give the Word first place in your life by arranging your schedule around the Word instead of trying to make the Word fit into your busy schedule.
   a. Gloria read the Gospels and the book of Acts three times in 30 days, right after moving to Tulsa, while looking after her children and unpacking their house.
   b. Gloria got up at 5:30 and read until everyone got up and read during the children's naps.

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   c. She accomplished this as well as painting and antiquing four pieces of furniture, finishing the accumulated ironing, and getting the house in order.
5. Matthew 6:33: "Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."
   a. Give the Word time.
   b. Give the Word attention.

C. Psalm 34:10—Make God's Word Final Authority

1. AMPC: "The young lions lack food and suffer hunger, but they who seek (inquire of and require) the Lord [by right of their need and on the authority of His Word], none of them shall lack any beneficial thing."
2. Romans 13:1 (AMPC): "There is no authority except from God."
3. Making God's Word final authority is believing what the Word says rather than believing people, Satan or circumstances.
   a. Believe you are what God's Word says you are.
   b. Believe you can do what God's Word says you can do.
   c. Believe you have what God's Word says you have.
4. Matthew 8:7-10: "And Jesus saith unto him, I will come and heal him. The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed. For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this man, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it. When Jesus heard it, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel."
5. Make God's Word final authority by:
   a. Speaking the Word
   b. Meditating the Word
   c. Acting on the Word
   d. Making God's Word the first and last word in every situation of your life

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10 Days of Wealth Transfer

100 DAYS OF PROSPERITY

The Wealth of the Sinner

Day #93

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4. "Those reservoirs shall be tapped and shall be drained into the gospel of Jesus Christ. It shall be done, saith the Lord."
    a. A place where anything is collected in great amount
    b. A large or extra supply or stock; a reserve
    c. "Reservoirs are going to givers, the supporters of the gospel." —Gloria Copeland
5. "It shall be done in the time allotted and so shall it be that the word of the Lord shall come to pass that the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just."

B. Proverbs 13:22—The Wealth of the Sinner

1. AMPC: "A good man leaves an inheritance [of moral stability and goodness] to his children's children, and the wealth of the sinner [finds its way eventually] into the hands of the righteous, for whom it was laid up."
2. "A good person bequeaths his merits and wealth to his grandchildren. The sinner, however, leaves no inheritance, not even to his children; for his wealth is hidden away to be given to the righteous, as in the case of Haman, whose house and wealth were given to Mordechai." —From *Mishlei/Proverbs*
3. Esther 8:2 (NIV): "The king took off his signet ring, which he had reclaimed from Haman, and presented it to Mordecai. And Esther appointed him over Haman's estate."
4. Genesis 41:41-43 (NIV): "So Pharaoh said to Joseph, 'I hereby put you in charge of the whole land of Egypt.' Then Pharaoh took his signet ring from his finger and put it on Joseph's finger. He dressed him in robes of fine linen and put a gold chain around his neck.

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He had him ride in a chariot as his second-in-command, and men shouted before him, 'Make way!' Thus he put him in charge of the whole land of Egypt."

5. Daniel 2:48 (NIV): "Then the king placed Daniel in a high position and lavished many gifts on him. He made him ruler over the entire province of Babylon and placed him in charge of all its wise men."

C. Ecclesiastes 2:26—The Wealth of the Sinner

1. AMPC: "For to the person who pleases Him God gives wisdom and knowledge and joy; but to the sinner He gives the work of gathering and heaping up, that he may give to one who pleases God."
2. NLT: "God gives wisdom, knowledge, and joy to those who please him. But if a sinner becomes wealthy, God takes the wealth away and gives it to those who please him."
3. Proverbs 22:22-23 (NIV-84): "Do not exploit the poor because they are poor and do not crush the needy in court, for the Lord will take up their case and will plunder those who plunder them."
4. Proverbs 6:30-31 (NIV): "People do not despise a thief if he steals to satisfy his hunger when he is starving. Yet if he is caught, he must pay sevenfold, though it costs him all the wealth of his house."
5. "Think about all of the sinners working for us. Let them heap up the money and transfer it to you." —From *The Kingdom of God—Days of Heaven on Earth* by Gloria Copeland

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10 Days of Wealth Transfer

The Wealth of Evil People

Day #94

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    a. A place where anything is collected in great amount
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5. "It shall be done in the time allotted and so shall it be that the word of the Lord shall come to pass that the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just."

B. Job 27:16-19—The Wealth of Evil People

1. Verses16-17 (NLT): "Evil people may have piles of money and may store away mounds of clothing. But the righteous will wear that clothing, and the innocent will divide that money."
2. Verse 19 (NLT): "The wicked go to bed rich but wake to find that all their wealth is gone."
    a. "If you don't have it—demand it." —Gloria Copeland
    b. "A 'suddenly' that is going the wrong way" —Gloria Copeland
    c. "Overnight financial reversals" —Gloria Copeland
3. "What happens to evil people's money? Whether money is good or bad depends on who has the money. When the righteous have money, they do good things with it. When the wicked have money, they do bad things with it. And those bad things lead to death—many times at an early age. You can't look at the rich and wonder how they got their money. Money acquired by ill-gotten gain is not from God. You could be part of the mafia and have lots of money—but you probably won't live out your full number of days. What happens to all of the 'ill-gotten gained' money? It goes right into the hands of the just." —From *True Prosperity* by Gloria Copeland

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C. Proverbs 28:8—The Wealth of the Loan Shark

1. NIV-84: "He who increases his wealth by exorbitant interest amasses it for another, who will be kind to the poor."
2. AMPC: "He who by charging excessive interest and who by unjust efforts to get gain increases his material possession gathers it for him [to spend] who is kind and generous to the poor."
3. Proverbs 14:31 (NIV): "Whoever oppresses the poor shows contempt for their Maker, but whoever is kind to the needy honors God."
4. Proverbs 19:17 (NLT): "If you help the poor, you are lending to the Lord—and he will repay you!"
5. "Think about the loan sharks, drug dealers and unjust gain. Think about the billions of dollars that God is going to vacuum in to the Kingdom. Start ministering to the poor if you want to get in on the end time transfer." —From *The Kingdom of God—Days of Heaven on Earth* by Gloria Copeland

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10 Days of Wealth Transfer

Here Comes the Wealth

Day #95

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B. Isaiah 60 (NLT)—Wealth Comes to Israel

1. Verses 5-7: "Your eyes will shine, and your heart will thrill with joy, for merchants from around the world will come to you. They will bring you the wealth of many lands. Vast caravans of camels will converge on you, the camels of Midian and Ephah. The people of Sheba will bring gold and frankincense and will come worshiping the Lord. The flocks of Kedar will be given to you, and the rams of Nebaioth will be brought for my altars. I will accept their offerings, and I will make my Temple glorious."
2. Verses 10-11: "Foreigners will come to rebuild your towns, and their kings will serve you. For though I have destroyed you in my anger, I will now have mercy on you through my grace. Your gates will stay open day and night to receive the wealth of many lands. The kings of the world will be led as captives in a victory procession."
3. Verse 13: "The glory of Lebanon will be yours—the forests of cypress, fir, and pine—to beautify my sanctuary. My Temple will be glorious!"
4. Verse 16: "Powerful kings and mighty nations will satisfy your every need, as though you were a child nursing at the breast of a queen. You will know at last that I, the Lord, am your Savior and your Redeemer, the Mighty One of Israel."

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5. Isaiah 61:5: "And strangers shall stand and feed your flocks, and the sons of the alien shall be your plowmen and your vinedressers."

C. 1 Kings 10:10-12 (NIV)—Wealth Comes to Solomon

1. The Queen of Sheba was overwhelmed by Solomon's wisdom, prosperity and kingdom.
2. Verse 10a: "And she gave the king 120 talents [4.5 tons] of gold, large quantities of spices, and precious stones.
3. Verse 10b: "Never again were so many spices brought in as those the queen of Sheba gave to King Solomon."
4. Verse 11: "Hiram's ships brought gold from Ophir; and from there they brought great cargoes of almugwood and precious stones."
5. Verse 12: "The king used the almugwood to make supports for the temple of the Lord and for the royal palace, and to make harps and lyres for the musicians. So much almugwood has never been imported or seen since that day."

D. Matthew 2:7-11 (NLT)—Wealth Comes to Jesus

1. Verse 7: "Then Herod called for a private meeting with the wise men, and he learned from them the time when the star first appeared."
2. Verse 8: "Then he told them, 'Go to Bethlehem and search carefully for the child. And when you find him, come back and tell me so that I can go and worship him, too!'"
3. Verse 9: "After this interview the wise men went their way. And the star they had seen in the east guided them to Bethlehem. It went ahead of them and stopped over the place where the child was."
4. Verses 10-11: "When they saw the star, they were filled with joy! They entered the house and saw the child with his mother, Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasure chests and gave him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh."
5. Psalm 72:10-11 (NIV-84): "The kings of Tarshish and of distant shores will bring tribute to him; the kings of Sheba and Seba will present him gifts. All kings will bow down to him and all nations will serve him."

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10 Days of Wealth Transfer

Get It 'To Go'!

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B. Transfer of Wealth From the Egyptians to the Children of Israel

1. This is a prime example of massive wealth transfer.
    a. The Egyptians gave their wealth to the children of Israel on the way out of Egypt.
    b. They came out with silver and gold.
    c. The Egyptians said, "Take it and go and get out of our sight!"
2. Exodus 3:20-22 (AMPC): "So I will stretch out My hand and smite Egypt with all My wonders which I will do in it; and after that he will let you go. And I will give this people favor and respect in the sight of the Egyptians; and it shall be that when you go, you shall not go empty-handed. But every woman shall [insistently] solicit of her neighbor and of her that may be residing at her house jewels and articles of silver and gold, and garments, which you shall put on your sons and daughters; and you shall strip the Egyptians [of belongings due to you]."
3. Exodus 12:35-36 (AMPC): "The Israelites did according to the word of Moses; and they [urgently] asked of the Egyptians jewels of silver and of gold, and clothing. The Lord gave the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they gave them what they asked. And they stripped the Egyptians [of those things]."

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a. Verse 36 (NIV): "They plundered the Egyptians."
b. Verse 36 (MSG): "They picked those Egyptians clean."

4. Psalm 105:37 (AMPC): "He brought [Israel] forth also with silver and gold, and there was not one feeble person among their tribes."
   a. *Feeble* (HEB)—There was not one pauper among their tribes.
   b. Pauper
      i. An extremely poor person
      ii. A person without any means of support
      iii. A destitute person who depends on aid from public welfare funds or charity
   c. *Tehillim* Commentary:
      i. Rabbi Eliezer the Great taught: The lowliest among the children of Israel brought ninety asses laden with silver and gold when he left Egypt.
      ii. The feeble man is one who became impoverished and stumbled from his original financial level. No Jew who left Egypt could be described as a pauper because all were enriched by the booty of their oppressors.
      iii. The pauper is a man whose health has deteriorated to the point that he stumbles unless he uses a cane. When the Jews left Egypt, a miracle occurred—not a single person amongst them was sick or debilitated.
   d. MSG: "He led Israel out, their arms filled with loot."

C. Deuteronomy 6:10-11—Wealth Transfer in the Promised Land

1. Great and goodly cities with they did not build
2. Houses they didn't fill, full of good things
3. Wells dug they didn't dig
4. Vineyards and olive trees which they didn't plant
5. Deuteronomy 6:3—It was a land that flowed with milk and honey.

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10 Days of Wealth Transfer

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Transfer From the Enemy's Camp

Day #97

A. Financial Inversion Shall Increase in These Days

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B. 2 Kings 7:3-8—Wealth Transfer From the Enemy's Camp

1. Verses 3-4—The lepers decided to go to the Syrian camp.
2. Verse 5—No one was there.
3. Verse 6—The Lord created the noise of chariots.
4. Verse 7—The Syrians left everything in the camp.
5. Verse 8—The lepers ate, drank and took the gold, silver and clothes.

C. Confusion in the World of the Wicked

1. Word from the Lord through Charles Capps:

   "So shall it be as it was in that day [speaking about the lepers in 2 Kings 7] that confusion shall come to the world of the wicked. For they have sought their own ways and have walked in their own purposes. They have gained and hoarded up and kept from the gospel that with which they have prospered.

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"But, in the days to come, the days are changing and the ways are changing.

"It shall be so that confusion shall be on every hand. The monetary system shall be disturbed. Men shall look here and shall look there looking for an answer. But they shall not find it.

"So shall it be that in these that have come and spoiled the camp, shall the men in this day walk in the midst of confusions that shall be in the day in which you live. They shall believe for and receive the direction of the Lord. They shall flee their possessions. They shall flee it—drop it here and drop it there because they hear of that which is coming like the Syrians that fled from that camp who left their goods.

"They will release it and they will let it go.

"But as the Christians pick it up, it will not be so. [The Christians won't be confused.] Then, it will flourish and it will prosper."

2. "When there is confusion all around, there is clarity in the life of the believer." —Gloria Copeland
3. "We will pick up opportunities the world has missed because of all the confusion." —Gloria Copeland
4. "It will come to pass that you will see the Word of the Lord at work. And the power of God will be set in the earth in a day in which men will stand in awe. For the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just. It is time, says the Lord, that it finds its way into the hands of the just. And so shall the gospel be preached throughout the land.

   "Walk in My precepts. For you shall hear with the ear a little at a time. And, I will reveal a little at a time. So shall you know that day that it will come. So, walk in My precepts and it will be done." —From *The Kingdom of God—Days of Heaven on Earth* by Gloria Copeland

D. 2 Chronicles 20:25-26 (AMPC): "When Jehoshaphat and his people came to take the spoil, they found among them much cattle, goods, garments, and precious things which they took for themselves, more than they could carry away, so much they were three days in gathering the spoil. On the fourth day they assembled in the Valley of Beracah. There they blessed the Lord. So the name of the place is still called the Valley of Beracah [blessing]."

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10 Days of Wealth Transfer

Two Ways of Wealth Transfer

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   b. "But many, many will not. They'll not heed the voice of the Word of God. They will turn aside to this and they will turn to that and they will walk in their own ways. But their ways will not work in this hour. It will dwindle and it will slip away as though it were in bags with holes in them. It will go here and it will go there and they will wonder why it is not working now. 'It worked in days past,' they will say."

B. Luke 19:1-10 (NIV)—The Conversion of Zacchaeus

1. Verses 1-2: "Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy."
2. Verses 3-4: "He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short he could not see over the crowd. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way."
3. Verses 5-6: "When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, 'Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today.' So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly."
4. Verses 7-8: "All the people saw this and began to mutter, 'He has gone to be the guest of a sinner.' But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, 'Look, Lord! Here and now I give

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half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount.'"

5. Verses 9-10: "Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.'"

C. Luke 12:13-21—A Rich Man's Wealth Transferred

1. Verses 13-14: "And one of the company said unto him, Master, speak to my brother, that he divide the inheritance with me. And he said unto him, Man, who made me a judge or a divider over you?"
2. Verse 15: "And he said unto them, Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth."
3. Verses 16-17: "And he spake a parable unto them, saying, The ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully: And he thought within himself, saying, What shall I do, because I have no room where to bestow my fruits?"
4. Verses 18-19: "And he said, This will I do: I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry."
5. Verses 20-21: "But God said unto him, Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided? So is he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."
    a. NIV: "Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?"
    b. Psalm 39:6 (NIV-84): "He heaps up wealth, not knowing who will get it."
    c. Isaiah 10:1-3 (NIV): "Woe to those who make unjust laws, to those who issue oppressive decrees, to deprive the poor of their rights and withhold justice from the oppressed of my people, making widows their prey and robbing the fatherless. What will you do on the day of reckoning, when disaster comes from afar? To whom will you run for help? Where will you leave your riches?"
    d. Proverbs 13:22: "The wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just."
    e. Jeremiah 17:11: "As the partridge sitteth on eggs, and hatcheth them not; so he that getteth riches, and not by right, shall leave them in the midst of his days, and at his end shall be a fool."

D. 1 Timothy 6:9-10, 17-18—Surviving the Wealth

1. Verses 9-10: "But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. 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."
2. Verses 17-18: "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; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate."
3. We must be taught and trained how to handle wealth—or it will handle us.
4. We survive the wealth by:
    a. Tithing
    b. Sowing
    c. Obeying
    d. Serving
5. We must develop our "wealthability" (new word by Gloria Copeland).

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10 Days of Wealth Transfer

End-Time Wealth Transfer

Day #99

A. Financial Inversion Shall Increase in These Days

Word from the Lord through Charles Capps, February 1, 1978

1. "Financial inversion shall increase in these days. For you see, it is My desire to move in the realm of your financial prosperity. But, release Me, saith the Lord, release Me that I may come on your behalf and move on your behalf.
2. "For yes, yes, yes, there shall be in this hour financial distress here and there. The economy shall go up and it will go down; but those who learn to walk in the Word, they shall see the prosperity of the Word come forth in this hour in a way that has not been seen by men in days past.
3. "Yes, there is coming a financial inversion in the world's system. It has been held in reservoirs of wicked men for days on end. But the end is nigh. Those reservoirs shall be tapped and shall be drained into the gospel of Jesus Christ. It shall be done, saith the Lord."
    a. A place where anything is collected in great amount
    b. A large or extra supply or stock; a reserve
4. "It shall be done in the time allotted and so shall it be that the word of the Lord shall come to pass that the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just.
5. "Predominantly in two ways shall it be done in this hour:
    a. "Those who have hoarded up and stored because of the inspiration of the evil one and held the money from the gospel shall be converted and drawn into the Kingdom.
    b. "But many, many will not. They'll not heed the voice of the word of God. They will turn aside to this and they will turn to that and they will walk in their own ways. But their ways will not work in this hour. It will dwindle and it will slip away as though it were in bags with holes in them. It will go here and it will go there and they will wonder why it is not working now. 'It worked in days past,' they will say."

B. The Final Stage of Wealth Transfer

Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, Branson Victory Campaign, March 8, 2012

"Now, this generation of people, the time in which you and I live, we are living in the most important time in God's schedule and what He has planned. You and I are living in "the" most important moment of time since the Day of Pentecost. Two thousand years of heaven going toward one specific event which is the catching away of the Body of Christ and glorification of His people. And, we are in it.

"Thank God for that early Church. Thank God for all of the great things that God has done over all this whole period of time. But, glory to God, we get to get in on it right here. This is the blowout! Do you understand?

"And I will give you a little bit of a preview here.

"Everything that Satan has accumulated in the way of property, wealth, influence—anything in

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this entire planet that he has his hands on and under his control, he stole it!

"Now, up until the ministry of Jesus on the earth from the time Adam committed treason before God—from that time until Jesus came into the earth, there were things that Satan did and accumulated. He did not have to steal because it had been put into his hands. And what he did and what he had, he got from Adam. Adam gave it to him. Don't you remember when Satan said to Jesus, 'Look at all of the kingdoms of this world. Bow down before me and I will give them to you. They have been given to me and I give it to whomsoever I will.' 'Now, Brother Copeland, he's [the devil is] a liar....'

"But, Jesus got it back! He took from him everything that he had taken from Adam. He took it back!

"The largest, most significant transfer of property, goods, wealth and people from the hands of the devil into the hands of God's people that are prepared to receive it—I am telling you the biggest transfer of property in the history of mankind has just begun and it is swinging into...it has moved over into its final stage, saith The LORD.

"And those who will listen to Me and follow Me and trust Me—those who I have taught My WORD and have given the authority to walk in these things, it is the most outstanding thing that human eyes have ever seen. And the time is now. Your time has come. Your hour has come. So rise and do those things by faith that you know to do and all that belongs to heaven will come into your hands for your joy."

C. James 5:1-8—You Have Heaped Treasure Together for the Last Days

Quotes from *Supernatural Wealth Transfer* by Bill Winston

1. "[God is] restoring the earth back into the hands of its rightful owners, as well as restoring the power or Blessing to govern it. Because of Adam's sin, the earth was not in the hands of God's family. Now, God is working His redemptive plan to get it all back...what I refer to as a *supernatural* transfer of wealth.
2. "As we get closer to our Lord's return, there is an invasion of the kingdom of heaven into this world—the imposing of God's will on the plans of the devil. Earthly systems, laws, rules, policies and values must now come in line with Heaven's order or Heaven's Government, the Government of the Kingdom of God. Psalm 103:19 (ESV)... His kingdom rules over all.
3. "One of the major things coming in this hour is an *explosion of wealth* in the Body of Christ. Through divine favor, witty inventions and the grace of giving, we are at the season of the greatest *wealth transfer* in the history of this planet. There will be inventions that make the iPhone© seem like child's play.
4. "This is a prophetic time in history, the same as the "set-time" that triggered the release of the children of Israel from Egyptian bondage. This is a season when, what happened then is happening now. It is a set-time or a season which is the consummation of something pledged or promised by God. The reservoirs of the wicked will now be drained, and as the Babylonian system of the world fails, the system of the Kingdom of God will prevail.
5. "We are even going to see money supernaturally transfer into the bank accounts of the people of God. Why the transfer of wealth? Mainly for the advancing of the kingdom and bringing in the end-time harvest of souls. God needs the wealth in our hands to fulfill the call that is on our lives for this generation—to reclaim what Jesus redeemed."

D. Isaiah 53:12: "Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors."

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10 Days of Wealth Transfer

The Hundredfold Wealth Transfer

Day #100

A. Financial Inversion Shall Increase in These Days

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2. "For yes, yes, yes, there shall be in this hour financial distress here and there. The economy shall go up and it will go down; but those who learn to walk in the Word, they shall see the prosperity of the Word come forth in this hour in a way that has not been seen by men in days past.
3. "Yes, there is coming a financial inversion in the world's system. It has been held in reservoirs of wicked men for days on end. But the end is nigh. Those reservoirs shall be tapped and shall be drained into the gospel of Jesus Christ. It shall be done, saith the Lord."
    a. A place where anything is collected in great amount
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4. "It shall be done in the time allotted and so shall it be that the word of the Lord shall come to pass that the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just.
5. "Predominantly in two ways shall it be done in this hour:
    a. "Those who have hoarded up and stored because of the inspiration of the evil one and held the money from the gospel shall be converted and drawn into the Kingdom.
    b. "But many, many will not. They'll not heed the voice of the Word of God. They will turn aside to this and they will turn to that and they will walk in their own ways. But their ways will not work in this hour. It will dwindle and it will slip away as though it were in bags with holes in them. It will go here and it will go there and they will wonder why it is not working now. 'It worked in days past,' they will say.
6. "But it shall be, saith the Lord, that the word of the Lord shall rise within men—men of God of low esteem in the financial world—that shall claim the Word of God to be their very own and walk in the light of it as it has been set forth in the Word and give.
7. "They will begin to give small at first because that is all they have. But then it will increase, and through the hundredfold return, so shall it be that the reservoirs that have held the riches in days past, so shall it return to the hands of the giver. Because of the hundredfold return shall the reservoirs be lost from the wicked and turned to the gospel.
8. "For it shall be in this hour that you will see things that you have never dreamed come

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to pass. Oh, it will be strong at first in ways. Then, it will grow greater and greater until men will be astounded and the world will stand in awe because the ways of men have failed and the ways of God shall come forth."

B. Mark 10:28-30—The Hundredfold Return

Quotes from *God's Will Is Prosperity* by Gloria Copeland

1. "Peter began to say unto him, Lo, we have left all and have followed thee. 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, 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."
2. "How great the hundredfold return is: give $1and receive 100!"
3. "Where in the natural world are you offered the return of 100 times your investment?"
    a. "If you double your money, you do well."
    b. "If you receive 10 times your investment, it is a marvelous deal."
    c. "But who talks in terms of receiving 100 times your investment?"
4. "After I let what the Word offers us in the hundredfold return become a reality to me, the Lord led me to continually give thanks for it every time I thought about it."
    a. "I would say, 'Thank You, Father, for the hundredfold return offered in Your Word.'"
    b. "It is such a generous return and it belongs to me."
5. "I would say any faith words of praise that came into my spirit in regard to continually thanking God for the hundredfold return."
    a. "This thanksgiving kept my faith active and operative to receive."
    b. "Continually confessing the hundredfold return causes the seed of Mark 10:29-30 to grow."

C. Genesis 26:12-14—Transfer of Wealth to Isaac

1. Verses 12-14 (MSG): "Isaac planted crops in that land and took in a huge harvest. God blessed him. The man got richer and richer by the day until he was very wealthy. He accumulated flocks and herds and many, many servants, so much so that the Philistines began to envy him."
2. The Philistines envied him because their wealth was being transferred to Isaac.
3. "Through the hundredfold return, so shall it be that the reservoirs that have held the riches in days past, so shall it return to the hands of the giver. Because of the hundredfold return shall the reservoirs be lost from the wicked and turned to the gospel." —From *God's Will Is Prosperity* by Gloria Copeland
4. Continually confess, "The hundredfold return is working for me."
5. Then, believe for and receive a continual flow of the wealth of the world being transferred into your life.

Under the curse, you diminish. Things flow away from you.
Under THE BLESSING, you increase. Things flow into you.
—Gloria Copeland

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21 Days to Your Debt Freedom

"I Want My People Living Debt Free"

Day #101

A. "I will show you how to be debt free."

"I Will Bless You Beyond Your Means," word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland at the West Coast Believers' Convention, Monday, July 9, 2007

1. The manifestation of THE BLESSING is at an all-time high. You are approaching a blessing manifestation of Glory that is an explosion in ways and intensity that the human race has never seen before….
2. THE BLESSING will encase you and you will learn to walk in the secret place of the Most High God. Blessed in His BLESSING, blessed in His Glory, blessed in your comings, blessed in your goings. Blessed in your pocketbook.
3. All debt will have to get up and leave you the way leprosy left the lepers of old.
4. Debt is financial sickness. It is financial leprosy. It is an attempt to do with the natural world's monies and abilities what I created THE BLESSING to do for you. Only, it is a burden and not a blessing. Debt is part of the curse.
5. If you will begin to confess [the Word], you will be shocked and thrilled at how quickly you will have the Glory arise and drive the debt out of your life.
6. If you will bring your tithe to Me and spend time with Me, tithing that tithe to Me, I will teach you, and I will train you, and I will show you how to be debt free.
7. I will bless you beyond your means. I will bless you beyond your income. I will bless you beyond your salaries. I will bless you beyond anything you have ever known before.
8. I will show you things that you have never heard of before. You will take advantage of those things and be financially blessed. I will bring such a financial blessing upon you that you won't have any idea where it came from.
9. It has come to an explosive place.
10. I am ready, saith the Lord, if you will begin to confess it, walk in it and make it a priority in your life. Then, the Glory will manifest in your midst and you will give Me praise. I will come and visit you and together, we will have a grand time.

B. Galatians 3:13-14—We Are Redeemed From the Curse

1. "Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree: That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith."
2. Verse 14—That we might receive by faith everything that the Spirit promised to Abraham—including freedom from debt.

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3. *Redeemed* (GK)
    a. To buy up, ransom, rescue from loss
    b. To liberate by payment of price
    c. To free someone from the power of another
4. We have been redeemed from the curse of poverty, lack and debt.
5. Proverbs 10:22: "THE BLESSING of the Lord, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it."

C. Deuteronomy 28—THE BLESSING and the Curse

1. Verses 1-14—THE BLESSING of Abraham
2. Verses 15-68—The Curse of the law
3. Verses 43-44: "The stranger that is within thee shall get up above thee very high; and thou shalt come down very low. He shall lend to thee, and thou shalt not lend to him: he shall be the head, and thou shalt be the tail."
    a. Debt is part of the curse.
    b. *Lend* (HEB) = Twine; unite with, cleave to, to join oneself to another
    c. *Tail* (HEB) = End, stump, smite the hindmost, cut off, attack the rear, to wag
4. Verses 12-13: "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. And the Lord shall make thee the head, and not the tail; and thou shalt be above only and thou shalt not be beneath."
    a. Debt freedom is part of THE BLESSING.
    b. *Head* (HEB) = Top, summit, chief, ruler
5. Thou shalt not borrow.
    a. "Borrowing is a replacement covenant. It is going to someone else when you should have gone to God." —Kenneth Copeland, from *It's Time to Get Out of Debt!*
    b. So, let's go to God!

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21 Days to Your Debt Freedom

Reasons Why We Must Live Debt Free—Part 1

Day #102

A. John 8:31-32—The Truth Shall Make You [Debt] Free

1. "If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you [debt] free."
2. The more we know why we should be debt free according to the Word, the easier it will become to believe for debt freedom.
3. Debt is a burden and a weight which God wants removed from our lives.
4. As we prepare to make our quality decision to live debt free, it is important to know what God says about the subject.
5. Let's take a look at scriptural reasons why we must pursue living debt free.

B. Reason #1—Because the Word Tells Us to Owe No Man Anything Except Love

1. Romans 13:8: "Owe no man any thing, but to love one another."
2. In 1967, the Copelands made a commitment to God.
   a. "Lord, whatever we see in Your Word, and we understand what You are telling us in Your Word, we will adopt that into our own lifestyle immediately, whether we like it or not, because Your Word is final authority."
   b. "We will obey whatever Your Word tells us to do."
   c. "We committed ourselves to do whatever we saw in the Word, no matter what it was."
3. Then, Brother Copeland found Romans 13:8.
   a. "Surely God didn't mean that!"
   b. "That scripture must mean something else!"
4. Looking for another interpretation, he read *The Amplified Bible, Classic Edition*.
   a. "Keep out of debt and owe no man anything, except to love one another."
   b. "It looked impossible to do anything without borrowing money."
5. Gloria Copeland's response to Romans 13:8
   a. "Well, praise God! The Word of God was not written for our disadvantage. It was written for our advantage. It is to our advantage to live debt free."
   b. "You would think that God was putting you in a bind when you commit to living debt free."
   c. "On the contrary. You are allowing Him to stretch you and pull you out into something better than what you had."
   d. "We are taking God's Word literally and whatever we see in it, that is what we will do."
   e. "If you have access to gold streets, you have an excess of goods."

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C. Reason #2—Because Our Covenant Must Be With God—Not With the World

1. "Borrowing is a replacement covenant. It is going to the world when you should have gone to God." —Kenneth Copeland, from *It's Time to Get Out of Debt!*
    a. The world has a system of finance which is complex and very poor in its operation.
    b. It continually rocks back and forth between the two extremes of depression and inflation.
2. We are in covenant with Almighty God through the blood of Jesus Christ—the most powerful form of agreement ever established.
3. 1 Chronicles 16:15: "Be ye mindful always of his covenant; the word which he commanded for a thousand generations."
    a. Philippians 4:19 (AMPC): "And my God will liberally supply (fill to the full) your every need according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus."
    b. Deuteronomy 28:11 (AMPC): "And the Lord shall make you have a surplus of prosperity."
    c. Genesis 15:1: "After these things the word of the Lord came unto Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram: I am thy shield, and thy exceeding great reward."
        i. "I am your rapidly increasing money supply."
4. God has a much better way to supply your needs than to get in covenant with the world. He wants to be our:
    a. Supreme Provider
    b. Abundant Supplier
    c. Total Source of Supply
5. God is saying to us today, "Look to Me and not to the world. They will loan it to you. I will give it to you!"

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21 Days to Your Debt Freedom

Reasons Why We Must Live Debt Free—Part 2

Day #103

A. John 8:31-32—The Truth Shall Make You [Debt] Free

1. "If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you [debt] free."
2. The more we know why we should be debt free according to the Word, the easier it will become to believe for debt freedom.
3. Debt is a burden and a weight which God wants removed from our lives.
4. As we prepare to make our quality decision to live debt free, it is important to know what God says about the subject.
5. Let's take a look at scriptural reasons why we must pursue living debt free.
    a. Reason #1—Because the Word tells us to owe no man anything except love.
    b. Reason #2—Because our covenant must be with God—not with the world.

B. Reason #3—Because Borrowing From the World Makes Us Slaves to the Lender

1. Deuteronomy 28:43-44: "The stranger that is within thee shall get up above thee very high; and thou shalt come down very low. He shall lend to thee, and thou shalt not lend to him: and he shalt be the head, and thou shalt be the tail."
    a. *Lend* (HEB) = Twine; unite, cleave, to be joined with
    b. *Head* (HEB) = Top, summit, chief, ruler
    c. *Tail* (HEB) = End, stump; to wag
2. Proverbs 22:7: "The rich ruleth over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender."
    a. *Servant* (HEB) = To work, to enslave, to keep in bondage
    b. The problem with borrowing is that it is controlled by the world's system.
    c. In order to borrow, you must subordinate yourself to another person.
    d. NASB—Becomes the lender's slave.
3. 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."
    a. When you borrow and go into debt to someone else, you bow your knee to that person and look to him as your source of supply.
    b. This creates a spiritual problem that is very serious, especially if the other person is ungodly.
4. 2 Corinthians 6:14-18: "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that

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believeth with an infidel? And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty."

5. Deuteronomy 15:6: "For the Lord thy God blesseth thee as he promised thee; and thou shalt lend unto many nations, but thou shalt not borrow; and thou shalt reign over many nations, but they shalt not reign over thee."
    a. Living debt free allows you to freely give what you own without having to ask permission from anyone.
    b. No one is reigning over you.

C. Reason #4—Because We Must Teach Our Children How to Live Debt Free

1. Proverbs 22:6-7: "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it. The rich ruleth over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender."
2. The average Christian child is born into a family whose life exists around credit cards, mortgages and loans.
    a. Most Americans raise their children in homes that have a 30-year mortgage.
    b. The drive their children to school in financed cars.
    c. They wash their clothes in washing machines that have been financed through department-store revolving credit.
    d. They sleep on mortgaged beds, sit in mortgaged furniture and watch mortgaged television sets.
    e. Most of these children never see their families come out of debt during their lifetimes.
3. What we do sets the pace for our children. We "herd" them toward the desired destiny, setting godly boundaries.
4. Instead of teaching them how to trust God as their Source, they teach them how to get the very best rate on a loan or how to finance a car.
5. God has a better way, a higher way, a debt-free way for us and our children to live.

D. How One EMIC Couple Taught Their Children

1. Saturday was allowance day at our house. We distributed our children's allowances in four steps.
2. Upon counting the increase, they stopped and thanked Jesus for the increase, acknowledging God as their Source. As they got older, the increase included not only their allowance, but also any money they earned or received as gifts.
3. Each learned early in life how to calculate the tithe at 10 percent and separated that portion of the increase for that purpose. They also learned the difference between "gross" and "net" and learned to tithe on the "gross."
4. Each considered what offering was to be given. This part was totally voluntary, but they usually decided to add a significant offering to their tithe. Sometimes the offering was

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directed at a specific cause or need, such as the church's building fund.

5. Each decided how much of their increase was to be saved. We wanted them to experience the value of developing their storehouse (savings account). We taught them how to calculate a rate of return on their storehouse and how to convert an annual rate of return to a weekly rate of return. After they finished this calculation, we provided the return to their storehouse and they calculated a new total.
6. The results:
    a. Our oldest two children have each purchased their first car (good cars—not "junkers") out of their savings with zero debt.
    b. Our first child has completed college with no debt.
    c. Our second child is nearing completion of college and also has no debt.
7. We have helped them as parents do, and we also have encountered no debt.

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21 Days to Your Debt Freedom

Three Debt-Freedom Issues Which Must Be Settled

Day #104

A. Philippians 4:19—God Is My Source—Not People

1. Settle this issue today—"God is my total Source of supply for my debt freedom."
   a. A source is the point of origin.
   b. The beginning place of a stream or river
   c. Where something can be traced back to
   d. Supply is provision, inventory, stock
2. Our Source of supply is the point of origin for our debt freedom.
3. This answers the question, "Where will it come from?"
4. Philippians 4:19: "My God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus."
   a. BBE: "My God will give you all you have need of from the wealth of his glory in Christ Jesus."
   b. AMPC: "My God will liberally supply (fill to the full) your every need according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus."
5. "My God is the total Source of supply to remove all debt and provide all I need to live debt free."

B. Ephesians 3:20—I Am Not Limited to a Salary

1. It would look impossible to live debt free if a person were to compare their debt load to their salary, pension or social security.
   a. Your job is only one channel for God to use.
   b. Ephesians 4:28: "Let him labour working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth."
   c. Your salary should ultimately be used as seed to sow.
2. God has unlimited, supernatural ways to get us out of debt and into living a debt-free lifestyle.
   a. While believing for a new home, I immersed myself in Pastor Leroy Thompson's series, *Money Cometh.*
   b. I found 191 scriptures that related to ways God provides.
3. Ephesians 3:20 (AMPC): "Now to Him Who, by (in consequence of) the [action of His] power that is at work within us, is able to [carry out His purpose and] do super-abundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams]."
4. Psalm 68:19 (NKJV): "Blessed be the Lord, who daily loads us with benefits."
5. Isaiah 55:1: "Come, buy…without money and without price."

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C. Deuteronomy 28:12—It is God's Will for Me to Live Debt Free

1. "Thou shalt lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow."
2. That sounds more like a command than a suggestion.
3. Romans 13:8 (AMPC): "Keep out of debt and owe no man anything, except to love one another."
4. Matthew 6:12: "Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors."
    a. *Debts* (GK) = Something owed or legally due, to owe money
5. 1 John 5:14-15: "And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us: And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him."
    a. Great confidence comes from knowing God's will.
    b. Faith begins where the will of God is known.
    c. Faith stops, wavers, hesitates and is double-minded at the question mark.
    d. It is unquestionably God's will for us to live debt free.
    e. If it is His will, then He will supply.

D. Settle These

1. God is my Source—not people.
2. I am not limited to a salary.
3. It is God's will for me to live debt free.

What is the solution to being 'plastic dependent' (to credit cards)?
Plastic surgery. Cut up the cards.
—Gloria Copeland

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21 Days to Your Debt Freedom

Make the Quality Decision to Live Debt Free

Day #105

A. James 1:5-8—You Must Make a Quality Decision to Live Debt Free

1. We must thoroughly resolve and settle the debt issue.
   a. We can no longer play with it.
   b. This takes a vigorous and aggressive faith assault.
2. Living debt free will take a quality decision.
   a. A quality decision settles the issue once and for all.
   b. A quality decision is a decision with which there is no retreat, no turning back, no return.
   c. A quality decision is a decision where argument and debate no longer exist.
   d. A quality decision becomes a memorial to look back at when you are challenged to compromise your stand.
3. A quality decision opens the door to the reality of what you are desiring and believing for.
4. You are only one decision away from debt freedom.
5. The moment you make the quality decision to live debt free, God sees you debt free.
   a. That decision will activate your faith and will lead you out of debt.
   b. A firm, quality decision will stand the test of time.

B. Quality Decisions by the Copelands That Have Stood the Test of Time Since 1967

1. Never ask anyone for a place to preach.
2. Don't ever ask anyone for money.
3. Never preach for anyone based on a financial arrangement.
4. If faith won't get it, we won't have it.
5. Whatever we see in Your Word, and we understand what you are telling us in Your Word, we will adopt that into our own lifestyle immediately, whether we like or not, because Your Word is final authority.
6. Our children are not going to hell.
7. Don't borrow money.

C. Make Your Quality Decision to Live Debt Free

1. Say, "By faith in Jesus' Name, we make the quality decision to live debt free."
2. Say, "We are getting out of debt, staying out of debt and will live in God's abundant overflow."

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3. Say, "As of (date and time), we declare that we are debt free!"
4. Say, "I AM DEBT FREE NOW IN JESUS' NAME! MY DAYS OF DEBT ARE OVER FOREVER!!"
5. Hebrews 1:3—All of heaven backs your decision.
    a. God upholds (backs) all things (your quality decision to live debt free) by the power of His Word.
    b. Because you have aligned yourself to His Word, all of heaven's reserves are at your disposal.
    c. Now, as you set your face like flint according to Isaiah 50:7-9, the Lord will help you get out of debt.

What happens if you don't have to borrow? You don't have to pay back.

—Gloria Copeland

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Week One Review

Day #106

Monday Broadcast: ***"I Want My People Living Debt Free!"***

1. "The manifestation of THE BLESSING is at an all-time high. You are approaching a blessing manifestation of Glory that is an explosion in ways and intensity that the human race has never seen before…. THE BLESSING will surround you. THE BLESSING will encase you and you will learn to walk in the secret place of the Most High God, blessed in His BLESSING, blessed in His Glory, blessed in your comings, blessed in your goings and blessed in your pocketbook. All debt will have to get up and leave you the way leprosy left the lepers of old.… If you will begin to confess [the Word], you will be shocked and thrilled at how quickly you will have the Glory arise and drive the debt out of your life. If you will bring your tithe to Me, and spend time with Me…tithing that tithe to Me, I will teach you and I will train you and I will show you how to be debt free." —word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, West Coast Believers' Convention, 7/9/07
2. Deuteronomy 28 tells us that debt is a curse and debt freedom is a blessing.
3. Galatians 3:13-14 tells us that we have been redeemed from the curse of debt.

Tuesday and Wednesday Broadcasts: ***Reasons Why We Must Live Debt Free***

1. Because Romans 13:8 says to owe no man anything except love.
2. Because 1 Chronicles 16:15 says we are in covenant with God—not with the world.
   a. Borrowing is a replacement covenant. It is going to the world when you should have gone to God.
   b. God says, "Look to Me and not to the world. They will loan it to you. I will give it to you!"
3. Because Proverbs 22:7 says borrowing from the world makes us slaves to the lender.
4. Because Proverbs 22:6-7 says we must teach our children how to live debt free.
   a. What we do sets the pace for our children.
   b. "Herd" them in the desired direction, setting godly boundaries.
5. Because debt freedom is a much better way to live.

Thursday Broadcast: ***Three Debt-Freedom Issues Which Must Be Settled***

1. God is my Source—not people.
2. I am not limited to a salary.
3. It is God's will for me to live debt free.
4. All things are possible to him that believes.

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Friday Broadcast: ***Make the Quality Decision to Live Debt Free***

1. A quality decision is a decision of no return, no retreat, no argument.
2. A quality decision settles the issue forever.
3. The moment you make the quality decision to live debt free, God sees you debt free.
4. "You are only one decision away from debt freedom."
5. "Dare to believe—your decision opens the door to unlimited avenues of God's provision." —Gloria Copeland
6. "Some think when they commit to live debt free they will never have anything. But really, a quality decision to live debt free opens them up to have everything." —Gloria Copeland
7. "What is the soution to being 'plastic dependent' (to credit cards)? Plastic surgery. Cut up the cards." —Gloria Copeland
8. "When you make a quality decision, you lay it (your decision) on the line and throw it over onto the Lord. You have to believe God without reserve." —Gloria Copeland

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Developing Your Faith for Debt-Free Living—Part 1

Day #106

A. September 12, 1998—Our Quality Decision to Live Debt Free

1. "30 Days of Glory" meeting at EMIC
2. We had recently sown a debt-free home and then borrowed the money to get into our next home.
3. Brother Copeland preached about debt freedom that evening and made two statements that led to our quality decision to live debt free.
   a. "What one does today for the sake of tomorrow is called an investment. What one does to enjoy today at the expense of tomorrow is called debt." —Kenneth Copeland, from *It's Time to Get Out of Debt!*
   b. "Borrowing is a replacement covenant. It is going to someone else when you should have gone to God." —Kenneth Copeland, from *It's Time to Get Out of Debt!*
   c. I wrote the word *ouch* in my notebook.
4. I looked out over the congregation.
   a. "How are these people going to live debt free?"
   b. "How are they going to buy their cars and houses if they can't borrow the money?"
   c. "I know the financial condition of some of them. Some of them are barely living from paycheck to paycheck."
5. We made our quality decision that night to live debt free.

B. Wednesday, October 13, 1999—Time to Go to the Next Level of Faith

1. I was taping a weeklong series on debt freedom with Brother Copeland.
2. He asked me the question heard 'round the world: "George, you have heard me preach living debt free for as long as you've been around me. Why then, did you borrow the money to get your new house?"
3. I froze, then mumbled a few disconnected words and was very thankful that Brother Copeland answered the question for me.
   a. "Your faith was not strong enough or big enough to receive a debt-free house."
   b. "Your faith level was not up to where you could receive a debt-free house."
   c. "You had enough faith developed to give a house debt free. But your faith was not developed enough at the time to receive a debt-free house."
   d. "It takes time to develop your faith. You don't just jump off into this kind of thing."

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4. After the broadcast, I went home, talked to Terri and determined it was time to ramp up our pursuit of debt freedom.
5. We then began a spiritual regimen to strengthen and develop our faith to get out of debt and live debt free.
    a. Romans 12:1-3—Be not confirmed to the world's system of debt—but be transformed into the kingdom of God's system of provision by the renewing of your mind.
    b. Verse 2 (JBP): "Don't let the world around you squeeze you into its own mould, but let God re-mould your minds from within, so that you may prove in practice that the plan of God for you is good."
    c. Verse 2 (NLT): "Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person."

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Developing Your Faith for Debt-Free Living—Part 2

Day #107

A. "George, Why Did You Borrow the Money to Get Your New House?"

1. "Your faith was not strong enough or big enough to receive a debt-free house."
2. "Your faith level was not up to where you could receive a debt-free house."
3. "The level of commitment to getting out of debt and staying out of debt has to grow."
4. "You increase in the revelation and in God's Word in your mouth until it overwhelms what you are presently seeing."
5. Faith for debt-free living comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God.

B. What Does God's Word Say About Living Debt Free?

1. God's Word must be at the base and foundation of your commitment—and that commitment to getting out of debt and staying out of debt must grow.
2. Romans 13:8: "Owe no man any thing but to love one another."
   a. AMPC: "Keep out of debt and owe no man anything, except to love one another."
   b. JBP: "Keep out of debt altogether, except the perpetual debt of love which we owe one another."
3. Proverbs 22:6-7: "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it. The rich ruleth over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender."
4. Deuteronomy 28:12: "Thou shalt lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow."
5. Deuteronomy 15:6: "For The Lord thy God blesseth thee, as He promised thee: and thou shalt lend unto many nations, but thou shalt not borrow; and thou shalt reign over many nations, but they shall not reign over thee."

C. Scriptures I Used to Stretch My Faith for Debt Freedom

1. Genesis 18:14: "Is any thing too hard for the Lord?"
   a. Absolutely not!
   b. I am debt free!
2. Numbers 11:23: "And the Lord said unto Moses, Is the Lord's hand waxed short? thou shalt see now whether my word shall come to pass unto thee or not."
   a. God, Your hand is not short.
   b. God, Your Word concerning my debt freedom will come to pass.
3. Psalm 78:41: "Yea, they turned back and tempted God, and limited the Holy One of Israel."
   a. God, I am not turning back.
   b. God, I am not tempting You.
   c. God, I am not limiting You.

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4. Isaiah 59:1: "Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear."
5. Matthew 19:26: "With men, this is impossible; but with God all things are possible."
    a. Through God, it is possible for me to live debt free.
6. Mark 9:23-24: "If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth."
    a. I believe I am debt free.
7. Luke 18:27: "The things which are impossible with men are possible with God."
    a. It is possible for me to live debt free.
8. Romans 4:21: "And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform."
    a. I am fully persuaded that I am debt free.
9. Ephesians 3:20 (AMPC): "Now to Him Who, by (in consequence of) the [action of His] power that is at work within us, is able to [carry out His purpose and] do super-abundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams]."
10. 1 John 5:4: "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the word, even our faith."
    a. Debt is of the world's system.
    b. I overcome the power of debt with my faith.

D. "Stretch Your Vision for Debt Freedom"

—word from the Lord to Pastor George

1. I am demanding you to break out of the religious, restricted, poverty, inferior, mediocre, below-standard, cut-back, barely-getting-by, small-minded, cheapskate mentality, limited box you have been in concerning what I want to do in you, for you and through you.
2. You have been restrained by three things:
    a. Your lack of trust in My Word
    b. Negative events that have piled up over the past years designed by Satan to erode away at your hope and zeal and cause you to give up
    c. Fear of failure, fear of not making it and fear of stepping out in faith
3. It is a new day, a new time, a new hour. I am now commanding you to reach out further with your faith, more than you ever have before. Stretch. Stretch. Stretch forth and see it with your faith. That is the key—the ability to see. Only through the eye of faith will you be able to see the exceeding, superabundant, above all you could ask or think.
4. Call for it. Call for what you see with the eye of faith. Exceeding provision beyond comprehension awaits My Body. But you must come up over your limitations into a realm yet untapped.
5. Aim your faith higher. Call for the harvest. Raise the standard. Set a new mark. Lift up your eyes and look!

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God's Strategic Plan for Your Debt Freedom

Day #108

A. Proverbs 19:21—God Has a Plan

1. AMPC: "Many plans are in a man's mind, but it is the Lord's purpose for him that will stand."
2. Terri and I were in debt at the time.
3. Confusion about what to do began to settle in.
4. I went before the Lord to receive clarity to know exactly what to do.
5. This is the exact prayer I prayed: "Lord, I need Your plan for debt freedom and supernatural provision. I need Your wisdom as to what steps I am to take. My congregation needs Your plan for their debt freedom as well. Show us how to lay hold of Your specific, strategic plan. What do I do?"

B. The Lord said, "Write this down!"

1. God has a debt-cancellation plan for me.
   a. Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV): "'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.'"
   b. There is a specific, tailor made plan to get you out of debt.
2. I receive God's debt-cancellation plan by faith—nothing wavering—sight unseen.
   a. James 1:5-8: "If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him. But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord. A double minded man is unstable in all his ways."
   b. Lord, I take Your plan by faith without even having to see it first. It is mine now!
3. God's debt-cancellation plan will come out of the realm of the Spirit—not the natural.
   a. 1 Corinthians 2:9-10: "But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him. But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God."
   b. Brother Copeland's instructions:
      i. Commit one to three days to pray about God's wisdom concerning your debt freedom.
      ii. Pray out the plan in tongues.
      iii. Pray until you know what to do.

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4. I have the ability to hear God's debt-cancellation plan.
    a. Psalm 85:8: "I will hear what God the Lord will speak: for He will speak peace unto his people, and to His saints."
    b. Confess, "The Lord is my Shepherd and I shall not want. I hear the voice of the Good Shepherd."
5. I am obedient to God's debt-cancellation plan.
    a. Isaiah 1:19: "If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land."
    b. We will do whatever the Lord instructs us to do.
    c. Stay in a continual state of sowing and reaping throughout this process.

C. Relax, Roll the Care and Enter the Rest

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God's Plan for Kenneth and Gloria's Debt Freedom

Day #109

A. Matthew 6:33—Seek First the Kingdom of God

1. Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.
2. AMPC: "But seek (aim at and strive after) first of all His kingdom and His righteousness (His way of doing and being right), and then all these things taken together will be given you besides."
3. Kenneth and Gloria Copeland committed themselves to seek the Kingdom by:
    a. Giving God's Word first place
    b. Making God's Word final authority
    c. Committing to obey whatever they saw in the Word.
4. Financial times were hard and they were in debt.
5. And then they saw Romans 13:8.

B. Romans 13:8: "Owe no man any thing but to love one another."

1. AMPC: "Keep out of debt and owe no man anything, except to love one another."
    a. It looked impossible to do, but they did it.
    b. They made a quality decision to live debt free.
2. "You are only one decision away from debt freedom."
3. A quality decision forever settles the issue, is a decision of no retreat, and is a memorial that settles all future decisions.
4. "Some think when they commit to live debt free they will never have anything. But really, a quality decision to live debt free opens them up to have everything." —Gloria Copeland
5. They settled forever that God was their Source, they were not limited and it was God's will for them to live debt free.

C. What Kenneth and Gloria Copeland Did to Live Debt Free

—From *God's Will Is Prosperity* by Gloria Copeland

1. "We stopped using our charge accounts and began to believe God to get out of debt."
    a. "Everything we owned was 'buy now, pay later.'"
    b. "Sometimes it was much later!"
2. "We set our affections on God's Word."
    a. "We were determined to walk according to what we saw in the Word."
    b. "Things didn't come to us in one day. We had to build the Word of God into our

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spirits and walk in what we knew. We would get some of the Word in us and walk in it; get more Word in us and walk in that; get more Word in us and walk in that. We were involved in the Word almost every waking hour. Television was not interesting to us. Even the world events could not hold our attention."

3. "We were committed to the Word regardless and were not willing to borrow money."
4. "We devoted ourselves to God's Word literally day and night."
    a. Joshua 1:8 (AMPC): "This book of the law shall not depart out of your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, that you may observe and do according to all that is written in it. For then you shall make your way prosperous, and then you shall deal wisely and have good success."
5. "It was 11 months from the time that we first decided to believe God to get out of debt until that goal was achieved. During those 11 months, we stood fast on what we knew from God's Word."

D. What Kenneth and Gloria Copeland Did to Live Debt Free

From *The Laws of Prosperity* by Kenneth Copeland

1. "One night we sat down and figured out how much we owed. I got my checkbook and wrote out the checks that would pay these debts. We laid hands on them and prayed according to Romans 13:8."
2. "Father, in the Name of Jesus, I am putting these checks in this desk drawer and am believing You to get us out of this mess. I am looking to You for the money to pay all these debts, in the Name of Jesus."
3. "I was not so foolish as to mail those checks before the money was in the bank."
4. "We figured to the last penny how much it would take to operate our household abundantly, even allowing for unexpected things. We wrote it down and prayed over it in the Name of Jesus."
5. "I made up my mind to be single-minded from that day forward, and in less than 12 months from that night, we did not owe anything and haven't owed a penny since."

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Supernatural Debt Cancellation

Day #110

A. Isaiah 10:27—Don't Forget to Factor the Anointing

1. Isaiah 10:27: "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."
    a. *Burden*—A heavy load carried with great difficulty; to be weighed down.
    b. *Yoke*—Agency of oppression, slavery and servitude.
2. People are experiencing financial demands during challenging times.
3. They are trying to figure out how to supply their own need.
4. Under the pressure, they forget to include the key element that would completely alter their financial condition.
5. Don't forget to factor the anointing.
    a. The anointing will make a way where there is no way.
    b. The anointing will accelerate the increase of your storehouses.
    c. The anointing will wipe out all debt.

B. Luke 4:18-19—The Purpose of the Anointing

1. Verses 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."
    a. The year of Jubilee
    b. The year when all debts were cancelled and released
    c. AMPC—The day when salvation and the free favors of God profusely abound.
3. Verse 21: "…This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears"—right now!
4. The anointing for debt cancellation.
    a. To anoint—It is God's provision poured over, smeared on and rubbed into our financial lives.
    b. It is the burden-removing, yoke-destroying power of God.
5. The power of God will remove the burden of lack and the yoke of debt.
    a. It is the power of God on our lives doing only what God can do.
    b. It is God's *super* abundance added to our *natural* situation.

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C. Three Supernatural Ways God Removes Debt

1. He provides the finances.
    a. Matthew 17:24-27—Taxes were paid from money in a fish's mouth.
    b. 2 Kings 4:1-7 (NLT): "…sell the olive oil and pay your debts, and you and your sons can live on what is left over."
    c. Luke 5:1-11—Simon Peter's fishing business avoided bankruptcy after Jesus told him where to drop the nets.
2. He moves upon others.
    a. Philemon 18-19 (AMPC): "If he has done you any wrong in any way, or owes anything [to you], charge that to my account. I, Paul, write it with my own hand, I promise to pay it [in full]."
    b. Luke 10:30-37: "He took out two pence and gave them to the host and said unto him, Take care of him, and whatsoever else thou spendest more, when I come again I will repay thee."
    c. Let God move on others.
        i. Faith puts no pressure on people.
        ii. Faith puts pressure on the covenant.
        iii. Faith says, "God is my Source."
        iv. "We never put a push on money. We put a push on our faith." —Gloria Copeland
3. He removes the debt.
    a. Matthew 18:27: "Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and forgave him the debt."
    b. Nehemiah 5:1-13—Nehemiah cancelled the debts of the poor Jews.
    c. Colossians 2:13-14 (AMPC)—"[Jesus] cancelled and blotted out and wiped away the handwriting of the note with its legal decrees and demands…. He set [it] aside and cleared [it] completely out of our way by nailing it to [His] cross."

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Debt Freedom Is God's Will

Day #111

A. The Blessing Manifestation of Glory

"I Will Bless You Beyond Your Means," word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland at the West Coast Believers' Convention, Monday, July 9, 2007

1. "The manifestation of THE BLESSING is at an all-time high. You are approaching a blessing manifestation of Glory that is an explosion in ways and intensity that the human race has never seen before….
2. "THE BLESSING will surround you. THE BLESSING will encase you. You will learn to walk in the secret place of the Most High God, blessed in His blessing, blessed in His Glory, blessed in your comings, blessed in your goings. Blessed in your pocketbook.
3. "All debt will have to get up and leave you the way leprosy left the lepers of old.
4. "Debt is financial sickness. It is financial leprosy. It is an attempt to do with the natural world's monies and abilities what I created THE BLESSING to do for you. Only, it is a burden and not a blessing. Debt is part of the curse.
5. "If you will begin to confess [the Word], you will be shocked and thrilled at how quickly you will have the Glory arise and drive the debt out of your life.
6. "If you will bring your tithe to Me and spend time with Me, tithing that tithe to Me, I will teach you and I will train you and I will show you how to be debt free.
7. "I will bless you beyond your means. I will bless you beyond your income. I will bless you beyond your salaries. I will bless you beyond anything you have ever known before.
8. "I will show you things that you have never heard of before. You will take advantage of those things and be financially blessed. I will bring such a financial blessing upon you that you won't have any idea where it came from.
9. "It has come to an explosive place.
10. "I am ready, saith The Lord, if you will begin to confess it, walk in it and make it a priority in your life. Then, the Glory will manifest in your midst and you will give Me praise. I will come and visit you and together, we will have a grand time."

B. Topics from *10 Days of Debt Freedom—Part 1 & Part 2*

1. Three Debt-Freedom Issues Which Must Be Settled
    a. God is my Source—not people.
    b. I am not limited to my salary.
    c. It is God's will for me to live debt free.

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2. Make the Quality Decision to Live Debt Free
    a. The moment you make the quality decision to live debt free, God sees you debt free.
    b. "Your debt freedom is only one decision away." —Gloria Copeland
3. Developing Your Faith for Debt-Free Living
4. God Has a Plan for Your Debt Freedom
5. God's Plan for Kenneth and Gloria's Debt Freedom
6. Supernatural Debt Cancellation
7. Reasons Why We Must Live Debt Free
    a. Reason No. 1—Because the Word tells us to owe no man anything except love (Romans 13:8)
    b. Reason No. 2—Because our covenant is with God—not with the world (1 Chronicles 16:15)
    c. Reason No. 3—Because borrowing makes us slaves to the lender (Proverbs 22:7).
    d. Reason No. 4—Because we must teach our children how to live debt free (Proverbs 22:6-7)

C. Genesis 12:2—Why We Must Live Debt Free, Reason No. 5—Because Our Motivation for Debt Freedom Is Giving

1. AMPC:"I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you [with abundant increase of favors] and make your name famous and distinguished, and you will be a blessing [dispensing good to others].
2. True prosperity is not for keeping your bills paid and your body well just so you can lie around and watch TV in comfort. God is not prospering us to get us out of debt so we can get into bigger debt. He is not prospering us so we can buy and buy and buy. He is prospering us so we can give and give and give.
3. True prosperity is the ability to look a person in the eye in their moment of impossibility and take their need on as your own.
4. True prosperity is walking with God to be able and equipped to do for others whatever He needs done, whenever He needs it done and with whatever He needs it done.
5. Our motivation for accumulation and debt freedom is distribution.

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21 Days to Your Debt Freedom

Our Motivation for Debt Freedom

Day #112

A. Genesis 12:2—Our Motivation for Debt Freedom

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5. Our motivation for accumulation and debt freedom is distribution—that is my motivation to live debt free.

B. 2 Corinthians 9:8—Furnished in Abundance for Every Good Work

1. AMPC: "And God is able to make all grace (every favor and earthly blessing) come to you in abundance, so that you may always and under all circumstances and whatever the need be self-sufficient [possessing enough to require no aid or support and furnished in abundance for every good work and charitable donation]."
2. Our motivation for debt freedom must reach beyond our own needs.
3. The reason God wants us debt free is so that we are in position to supply the needs of others and promote the kingdom of God.
4. "I am convinced in my mind by my heart, the reason I want money is to do the work of the gospel! Thank You, Lord, for the peace of that revelation. Satan, you will never be able to make me believe ever again that the reason I want money is for selfish gain." —Jeremy Pearsons, May 6, 1998 (age 18)
5. "Lord, I am a giver. I want to become debt free so I can take the same money I am paying the bank and help others. I want to prosper and live debt free so I can establish God's covenant in the earth." —Pastor George Pearsons' prayer, October 1999

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C. "Begin to Include Others in Your Own Needs"

From *The Laws of Prosperity* by Kenneth Copeland

1. "There is a basic, fundamental truth that runs throughout the entire Bible, throughout God's history of dealing with man. Every time there was a need, no matter what that need was, God had a man somewhere who had the resources—spiritually, mentally or financially—to meet that need.
2. "For Israel, there was Moses. For the world, there was Jesus. For Jesus, there was a man with a donkey. For Ephesus, there was Paul. The Bible says God gave gifts to men—apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, teachers (Ephesians 4:11). He had a man to provide every need. No one person will ever be so spiritual that he doesn't need other people. We all need one another.
3. "Begin to include the Body of Christ in your needs. Begin to include the lost in your needs. If a man came to you needing clothes and you didn't have any clothes to give him, both of you would be in trouble. You need clothes for yourself and you need to be able to supply him with clothes. Jesus said, 'Why do you worry about what you will eat and what you will wear? Your heavenly Father knows you have need of these things' (see Matthew 6:31-32). But He also said, 'Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom' (Luke 6:38).
4. "When I realized this and began to consider the needs of others before my own, I found that my needs were met supernaturally! It was uncanny! I had spent practically all of my adult life in debt. It seemed that every business venture I tried just fell apart, leaving me even further in debt.
5. "Then I turned to The Lord, determined to commit myself to His Word, and began walking my bedroom floor with my Bible in my fist, shouting at the top of my voice, 'My God meets all my needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus!' I just kept confessing this hour after hour, day after day! My situation looked absolutely impossible at the time! I had no place to preach and nothing much to say! (One thing I could say was, 'My God meets all my needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus!' I knew that sentence very well!)
6. "Eleven months later I was completely out of debt. In the meantime, I learned to include other people in my needs by giving to them and getting involved with them. When I began to give, I suddenly realized one day how very busy I was with God's work.
7. "Years have come and gone and I haven't caught up yet. When you do this, God will move heaven and earth if necessary to reach you."

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Yield to the Plan and Not to the Pressure

Day #113

A. Psalm 34:19—"Many are the afflictions (pressures) of the righteous: But the Lord delivers him out of them all."

1. I got under pressure after we borrowed the money for a new house.
2. Serious condemnation tried to settle in.
3. The devil was beating me up for going back into debt.
4. I wanted out of debt and I wanted out of debt NOW!
5. I was struggling with the pressure of being in debt until I learned:
    a. To seek after God's wisdom.
    b. To yield to God's plan and not to the pressure.

B. Proverbs 4:7—"Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding."

From my notes of Kenneth Copeland's message "Yield to the Plan, Not to the Pressure," from the CD series *It's Time to Get Out of Debt!*

1. Don't create unnecessary pressure for yourself.
    a. Settle this right now.
    b. Your debt-cancellation plan is wrapped up in God's wisdom.
2. Don't get impatient—stay with it until you are out of debt.
    a. God sees the complete picture.
    b. You may be in a holding pattern for a reason.
    c. God may be waiting on someone else to obey.
3. Relax by faith.
    a. When the pressure starts, press toward peace.
    b. Get in control and calm down.
    c. Learn to operate in "Low Slow."
    d. Say, "I don't have to do anything!"
4. Press through the wall of pressure into the wisdom of God.
    a. Stop pressing so much where getting out of debt is concerned.
    b. Press into the wisdom of God to know HOW to get out of debt.
    c. Quit trying to figure it out and get God's wisdom.
    d. "The wisdom of God is your ticket out from under the curse." —Gloria Copeland
    e. Say, "I receive God's wisdom to know HOW to get out of debt."
5. When God's wisdom is known, the peace that passes understanding takes over.
    a. Wisdom takes the pressure off the situation.

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b. Time deadlines won't mean anything to you.
c. The situation will begin to look easier and easier.

C. Three-Step Process to Receive God's Wisdom for Debt Freedom

1. Commit one to three days to pray about nothing else except God's wisdom concerning your debt freedom.
2. Pray in tongues over your debt-freedom plan.
3. Pray until you know exactly what to do.

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Three Steps to Receiving God's Wisdom for Debt Freedom

Day #114

A. Step #1—Commit one to three days to pray about nothing else except God's wisdom concerning your debt freedom.

1. That is the way to make your wisdom connection.
2. The investment of time will produce powerful results.
    a. You are seeking God's way.
3. James 1:2-8—Ask for God's wisdom in faith, nothing wavering.
    a. Setting yourself apart will keep you single-minded on the answer.
4. Don't discuss the situation in the natural realm—keep it in the spirit.
    a. Don't try to figure it out.
    b. That was the problem in the first place.
5. God will take care of other issues while you press into this one.

B. Step #2—Pray in tongues over your debt-freedom plan.

1. 1 Corinthians 14:2: "For he that speaketh in an unknown tongue speaketh not unto men, but unto God: for no man understandeth him; howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries."
    a. AMPC: "…He utters secret truths and hidden things [not obvious to the understanding]."
    b. God's wisdom will come up and out of your spirit.
2. Praying in tongues is dipping the bucket down into the well of God's wisdom and knowledge, drawing up your debt-freedom plan.
3. Pray in tongues by faith, believing you receive your debt-freedom plan.
4. Say, "As I pray in tongues, I am receiving God's wisdom."
5. 1 Corinthians 14:13: "…Pray that [you] may interpret."

C. Step #3—Pray until you know exactly what to do.

1. Say, "I won't make a move until I receive God's wisdom."
2. Say, "I will not allow pressure to push me."
3. Proverbs 6:22—You will wake up one morning and the answer will be there.
4. It may only be one word—but it will get you started.
5. It will look like the easiest thing you have ever done.

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Give Your Way Out of Debt

Day #115

A. Ecclesiastes 11:4—"He that observeth the wind shall not sow; and he that regardeth the clouds shall not reap."

1. Many make a huge mistake while pressing into debt freedom.
2. They become so intent on getting out of debt that they discontinue their tithing and sowing.
   a. When people endeavor to become debt free, there is a temptation to stop giving.
   b. It seems like the "logical" thing to do.
3. Terri and I realized that our debt freedom was dependent upon staying in a continual state of sowing and reaping.
4. We determined to be sensitive to the Holy Spirit as to our giving while believing God to become debt free.
5. God said, "In order for you to go up to a higher level of receiving, you will have to go up to a higher level of giving."

B. Proverbs 3:9-10—"Honor the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase: So shall thy (debt-free) barns be filled with plenty, and thy (debt-free) presses shall burst out with new wine."

1. "Lord, we need $1 million!"
   a. Many years ago, KCM was financially behind.
   b. It seemed that all the prayers and faith that brought previous victories didn't seem to get the job done.
   c. Kenneth went before the Lord.
      i. "Lord, I need $1 million."
      ii. The Lord told Kenneth that KCM needed to start tithing 10 percent of the income into other ministries.
   d. "When you talk to The Lord about your need, He will talk to you about sowing seed." —Jerry Savelle
   e. As KCM began to sow 10 percent, the million dollar deficit began to disappear.
2. From Gloria Copeland's KCM Partner Letter, February 1985

   "As I am writing to you today, Ken is in prayer and fasting during the month of January. He left with baskets full of prayer requests. I know he is praying for you and that you have been praying for him.

   "During January of last year [1984], Kenneth was instructed to give the first 10 percent of the ministry's income to other ministries that are reaching out to the poor. At the time, we were in desperate financial condition. I think he felt like, 'Well, if I am going under, I am going under obedient!' It was a step of faith. In the natural, it looked impossible, not to mention ridiculous.

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"Since the World Communion Service in 1982, we had been behind financially and our deficit continued to increase from a few hundred thousand dollars to $1 million. Construction had been completely halted on our new headquarters building, and it seemed that we could make no headway.

"When Ken went to prayer concerning these critical situations, to give 10 percent of our income off the top of a ministry already behind $1 million was not the answer he expected or wanted!

"By faith, we obeyed.

"It took a while, but by midyear, we were in the black and had invested many hundreds of thousands of dollars into the ministry to the poor. As a result of our obedience, people all over the world were blessed by our giving. Hallelujah. And then God began to move on our behalf.

"We continued to meet the budget in 1984 and in September, we started construction again on the international headquarters building."

3. Debt is the umbilical cord to the Babylonian system of finance. The tithe is the umbilical cord to THE BLESSING.

C. "Bring your tithe to Me...and I will show you how to be debt free."

1. "…If you will begin to confess [the Word], you will be shocked and thrilled at how quickly you will have the Glory arise and drive the debt out of your life. If you will bring your tithe to Me and spend time with Me, tithing that tithe to Me, I will teach you and I will train you and I will show you how to be debt free. I will bless you beyond your means. I will bless you beyond your income. I will bless you beyond your salaries. I will bless you beyond anything you have ever known before. I will show you things that you have never heard of before. You will take advantage of those things and be financially blessed. I will bring such a financial blessing upon you that you won't have any idea where it came from."— "I Will Bless You Beyond Your Means," word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland at the West Coast Believers' Convention, Monday, July 9, 2007
2. Genesis 14:17-24, 15:1-4—Abraham received direction as a result of tithing.
3. Hebrews 3:1; 7:8—Take the time to pray over your tithe.
   a. Bring it before Jesus, the High Priest of your tithe.
   b. Read Hebrews 3:1; 7:8; Malachi 3:10-12; Leviticus 27:30, 32; Deuteronomy 26:1-15.
   c. The Lord will reveal to you how to get out of debt.

D. Proverbs 11:24 (NLT)—"Give freely and become more wealthy; be stingy and lose everything."

1. Whenever money would come to us, we did not automatically pay on the house.
2. Terri and I continually looked for ways to sow seed.
3. We would ask the Lord to reveal to us whose "debt freedom" we needed to sow into.
4. We would tithe and then ask how much (or all of it) we should sow.
   a. Sometimes we sowed it as seed.
   b. Sometimes it went toward the house.
   c. We eventually sowed and tithed our way out of debt.
5. 2 Corinthians 9:8 (AMPC): "And God is able to make all grace (every favor and earthly blessing) come to you in abundance, so that you may always and under all circumstances and whatever the need be self-sufficient [possessing enough to require no aid or support and furnished in abundance for every good work and charitable donation]."

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The Power of Agreement

Day #116

A. Matthew 18:18-20—The Power of Agreement

1. After much prayer, Terri and I decided to sow our house—debt free. I went to Brother Copeland to let him know. The only comment he made was, "Are you and Terri in agreement with each other?" I said, "Yes, sir." He replied, "OK."
2. We determined if our agreement would work for sowing a debt-free home, it would work for reaping a debt-free home.
3. Verse 19 (AMPC): "If any two of you on earth shall agree (harmonize together, make a symphony together) about whatever [anything and everything] they may ask, it will come to pass and be done for them by My Father in heaven."
4. *Agree* (GK) = SUMPHONEO
   a. *Symphony*—the unity of sound made by all available instruments
   b. *Agreement* is a covenant term.
   c. A covenant agreement based on the Word and led by the Holy Spirit places Jesus right in the midst to bring that agreement to pass.
   d. Verse 20 (AMPC): "For wherever two or three are gathered (drawn together as My followers) in (into) My name, there I AM in the midst of them."
5. All of heaven's reserves back this agreement.

B. Psalm 133—THE BLESSING of Debt Freedom Comes From Agreement

1. Verses 1-3: "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity! It is like the precious ointment upon the head, that ran down upon the beard, even Aaron's beard: that went down to the skirts of his garments; as the dew of Hermon, and as the dew that descended upon the mountains of Zion: for there the Lord commanded THE BLESSING, even life for evermore."
2. Deuteronomy 28:12: "Thou shalt lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow."
3. Proverbs 10:22: "THE BLESSING of the Lord, it maketh rich, and He addeth no sorrow with it."

C. The Prayer of Agreement for Debt Freedom (see pages 59-60)

1. List all debts that you presently owe and all bills that need to be paid.
   a. Be specific about what you are believing for.
   b. Philippians 4:6 (AMPC): "Do not fret or have any anxiety about anything, but in every circumstance and in everything, by prayer and petition (definite requests), with thanksgiving, continue to make your wants known to God."

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   c. Formally present your requests to your heavenly Father—the Source of all supply.
   d. "We sat down and figured out how much we owed. I got my checkbook and wrote out the checks that would pay these debts. We laid hands on them and prayed according to Romans 13:8." —Kenneth Copeland, *The Laws of Prosperity*
   e. "We figured to the last penny how much it would take to operate our household abundantly, even allowing for unexpected things. We wrote it down and prayed over it in the Name of Jesus." —Kenneth Copeland, *The Laws of Prosperity*
2. Locate at least three scriptures to stand on concerning your debt freedom.
   a. Romans 13:8 (AMPC): "Keep out of debt and owe no man anything, except to love one another."
   b. Deuteronomy 28:12: "Thou shalt lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow."
   c. Proverbs 22:6-7: "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it. The rich ruleth over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender."
3. Exercise your spiritual authority:
   a. Over Satan—bind him concerning your finances.
   b. Over the angels—release them to go out and minister on your behalf.
4. Release your faith.
   a. "We now release our faith, believing for our total debt freedom now! We speak to the mountain of debt and command it to be removed. We call those things which be not as though they were (Romans 4:17). What things soever we desire, we believe that we receive them (Mark 11:22-25). Jesus, the High Priest of our confession, will bring it to pass (Hebrews 3:1)."
   b. Continually praise God.
      i. Praise keeps the door of abundance wide open.
      ii. Roll the care over onto the Lord as you give Him thanksgiving.
5. Sign and date the agreement.
   a. Take Communion over the agreement.
   b. Keep it before you and refer to it often.
   c. Terri and I agreed over our debt freedom and gave God praise every time we prayed over our meal.
   d. This will keep your faith alive and activated.

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Making Withdrawals From Your Heavenly Account

Day #117

A. Philippians 4:14-19—The Bank of Heaven

1. There are bank accounts on earth.
    a. Philemon 18 (AMPC): "If he has done you any wrong in any way or owes anything [to you], charge that to my account."
    b. John 12:6 (AMPC)—Judas had the "bag (the money box, the purse of the Twelve)…."
    c. 2 Chronicles 31:11: "Hezekiah commanded [the people] to prepare chambers [in the Hebrew, *storehouses]* in the house of the Lord."
    d. You can have earthly accounts—just don't put your trust in them.
2. There are bank accounts in heaven.
    a. Matthew 6:19-21—They are not subject to theft, ruin, corruption or economic conditions of any kind.
    b. Luke 12:33—A treasure in heaven that fails not
3. Many do not realize they already have an account in heaven
4. The Philippians had established an account in heaven
    a. Verse 15 (GOS): "No church but yours went into partnership and opened an account with us."
    b. They opened their account by giving
5. Verse 17 (AMPC): "Not that I seek or am eager for [your] gift, but I do seek and am eager for the fruit which increases to your credit [the harvest of blessing that is accumulating to your account]."
    a. CON: "I seek fruit which accrues to your account."
    b. TCNT: "I am anxious to see the abundant return that will be placed to your account."
    c. MOFFATT: "What I am anxious for is the interest that accumulates this way to your divine credit."
    d. NASB: "I seek for the profit which increases to your account."
    e. NJB: "What I value is the interest that is mounting up in your account."

B. Matthew 6:19-21—Making Deposits

1. Lay up—make deposits
2. Malachi 3:10—Tithing
3. Mark 10:29-30—Investing in the gospel
4. Proverbs 19:17—Giving to the poor
    a. Matthew 19:21: "Go and sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven."
5. 1 Chronicles 16:29—Giving as a praise to God

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C. 1 Timothy 6:17-19—Making Withdrawals

Kenneth and Gloria Copeland were living in Tulsa, Okla. He was a preacher without a place to preach and driving a worn-out car with 95,000 "hard" miles. They had children to take care of and college to pay for. Up until this point, their financial track record was not good at all.

They owed people with no apparent way to ever pay them back.

But after hearing Kenneth E. Hagin preach about faith from Mark 11:23, they decided to take action. They gathered all their debts. They listed every person and the amount owed. They calculated in great detail what it would take for them to operate their household. They included a 15% pad in their budget for extras. They determined what they needed in their immediate future. All of this information was written on paper in a formal prayer of agreement.

Days went by before they would sign their names to the agreement. They prayed and fasted. They repented before God for not being good representatives of the Lord Jesus Christ. They agreed together according to Romans 13:8 that they would never borrow another dime. They committed to God that they would pay back everyone they owed. They continued to make deposits into their heavenly account by faithfully tithing and sowing seed.

They released their faith and made a withdrawal from their heavenly bank account.

This process took time, effort, prayer, focus and diligence. They saturated themselves with God's Word and cut off every voice of the world—no TV or newspapers—just the Word of God.

Praise God—11 months from that day, every debt was paid in full and every need was completely met.

D. Seven-Point Bank of Heaven Withdrawal

1. Decide on the amount you need (James 1:5-8).
    a. Be exact and single-minded.
    b. Write it down.
    c. List your needs, debts and desires.
2. Get in agreement with people of like faith (Matthew 18:19-20).
3. Claim what you need by faith (Mark 11:23-24).
4. Bind the devil and his forces (Matthew 18:18).
    a. "Satan, take your hands off my money!"
5. Loose the angels to go get it (Hebrews 1:14).
    a. "Ministering spirits—go get my money!"
6. Continually praise God for it (Psalm 34:1).
7. Avoid strife and unforgiveness (James 3:16; Mark 11:25-26).

E. Sample Prayer of Agreement

"Father, in the Name of Jesus, we make a withdrawal of $_____ from our heavenly bank account. We have this money in our account and we are withdrawing this amount now. We believe we receive $_____. As in Mark 11:23-24, we believe in our hearts and confess now that it is ours in the Name of Jesus. We agree that we have this amount according to Matthew 18:19. From this day forward, we roll the care of this over on to You and thank You for it. Satan, we take authority over you; we bind your operation now and render you helpless. Ministering spirits, we charge you to go forth and cause this amount to come to us according to Hebrews 1:14. Father, we praise Your Name for meeting our needs according to Your riches in glory by Christ Jesus, and for multiplying our seed for sowing, in the Name of Jesus."

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It Will Take an Aggressive Faith to Live Debt Free

Day #118

A. Deuteronomy 28:15-68—Debt Is an Aggressive Spirit

1. It is part of the curse of the law.
2. Deuteronomy 28:43-44: "The stranger that is within thee shall get up above thee very high; and thou shalt come down very low. He shall lend to thee, and thou shalt not lend to him: he shall be the head, and thou shalt be the tail."
3. It feeds on hopelessness and fear.
4. Aggressive debt must be countered with an aggressive faith.
5. It will take a bold, aggressive faith to defeat debt.

B. Hebrews 11:32-34—Faith Is an Aggressive Force

1. *Faith* (GK) = PISTIS
   a. An aggressive, forward-directed force
   b. Never passive, retreating, backward or shy
2. Verses 32-34—The aggressive force of faith in action
3. 1 Samuel 17:48—David ran toward the army to meet the Philistine.
4. Faith is determined, persistent and stubborn.
5. Faith refuses to give up and quit—it won't let go and it will not take no for an answer.

C. Mark 11:22-24—Faith Aggressively Takes What Belongs to It

1. Verse 24 (GK)—Believe that you receive them.
   a. Take with much force
   b. Seize with a grip that cannot be shaken off
2. What God has so wonderfully provided through His grace, we must lay hold of, possess and take with our faith.
3. Joshua 18:3: "How long are ye slack to go to possess the land, which the Lord God of your fathers hath given you?"
   a. NLT: "How long are you going to wait before taking possession of the remaining land the Lord, the God of your ancestors, has given to you?"
   b. MSG: "How long are you going to sit around on your hands, putting off taking possession of the land that God…has given you?"
   c. *Possess* (HEB) = To take; to claim a territory by attacking it, seizing it, driving out the inhabitants and occupying it

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4. Aggressive faith makes a demand on God's Word and takes hold of debt freedom.
    a. "Debt, get out of my way, you uncircumcised Philistine!"
    b. "I take my aggressive stand of Bulldog Faith against debt."
    c. "In Jesus' Name, I am debt free!"

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It Will Take Total Immersion to Live Debt Free

Day #119

A. Romans 12:1-2—Do Not Be Conformed to the World

1. The attack on the mind is immense.
2. "How are we going to live debt free in these times?"
3. *Conformed*—to shape like another
   a. MSG: "Don't become so well-adjusted to your culture that you fit into it without even thinking."
   b. JBP: "Don't let the world squeeze you into its own mould."
4. *Transformed*—to undergo a complete change
   a. AMPC: "Be transformed (changed) by the [entire] renewal of your mind [by its new ideals and its new attitude]."
   b. GW: "Change the way you think."
   c. JBP: "Let God re-mould your mind from within."
5. Isaiah 26:3: "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee."
   a. NLT: "You will keep in perfect peace all who trust in you, all whose thoughts are fixed on you!"
   b. *Stayed*—established, focused, totally immersed

B. Psalm 1:1-3—The Principle of Total Immersion

1. Verses 1-3: "Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper."
2. "Day and night" is total immersion in God's Word.
3. Total transformation in your thinking from a dependence upon debt comes from total immersion in God's Word.
4. By constantly immersing yourself in God's Word, you will flush out all debt thinking.
5. This is what it will take to break the debt mentality and establish a new way of living debt free.

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C. The Pearsons' Total Immersion Program

1. Terri and I prayed and believed the Lord wanted us to sow our house debt free.
    a. The pressure of what to do next began to consume my mind.
    b. I found myself living by fear instead of faith.
2. The Lord led me to do three things to totally immerse my thinking and get me back over into faith for prosperity.
3. I totally immersed myself in scriptures that took my limitations off God.
    a. Genesis 18:14: "Is anything too hard for the Lord?" NO!
    b. Numbers 11:23 (AMPC): "Has the Lord's hand (His ability and power) become short (thwarted and inadequate)?" NO!
    c. Matthew 19:26: "With men this is impossible; but with God, all things are possible." YES!
4. I totally immersed myself in Dr. Leroy Thompson's audio series *Money Cometh,* and Brother Copeland's audio series *The Laws of Prosperity.*
    a. I listened to them all the time.
    b. At home, in the car, on the plane—everywhere!
5. I totally immersed myself in God's Word by locating and meditating on 21 major ways that God provides along with the total of 191 scripture references.
    a. My spirit was strengthened.
    b. My faith was fed.
    c. My mind was renewed.
    d. My life was completely transformed.
    e. That is what it will take to prosper in these times.

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Prayer of Agreement for Debt Freedom

Heavenly Father, in the Name of Jesus, we come before You with our faith request. We believe we receive our debt freedom by faith (Matthew 7:7–8).

We call the following paid in full:

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Our Stand on God's Word

We agree that the following scriptures are the substance of things we hope for and the evidence of the things we cannot presently see (Hebrews 11:1).

We are standing in faith, fully persuaded that what God has promised in His Word, He is well able to perform (Romans 4:21).

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OUR SPIRITUAL AUTHORITY

Satan, we bind you and render you helpless from interfering with our debt freedom in the Name of Jesus (Matthew 18:18). We loose the ministering spirits and the power of God to successfully complete this agreement (Hebrews 1:13-14).

THE RELEASE OF OUR FAITH

We release our faith, believing for our total debt freedom now! We speak to the mountain of debt and command it to be removed. We call those things which be not as though they were (Romans 4:17). What things soever we desire, we believe that we receive them and we believe we have them now in Jesus' Name (Mark 11:22-25). Jesus, the High Priest of our confession, will bring it to pass (Hebrews 3:1).

WE WILL PRAISE AND THANK GOD UNTIL WE SEE IT

Father, we praise and thank You for our debt freedom (Philippians 4:6-7). We honor You and glorify Your Name for the fulfillment of our prosperity. We have it now in Jesus' Name (1 John 5:14-15)!

MATTHEW 18:18–20

Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

SIGNED: _____

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DATED: _____ TIME: _____

JESUS IS LORD

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21 Days to Your Debt Freedom

Cast Your Care and Enter the Rest

Day #120

A. 1 Peter 5:6-7 (AMPC): "Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that in due time He may exalt you, casting the whole of your care [all your anxieties, all your worries, all your concerns, once and for all] on Him, for He cares for you affectionately and cares about you watchfully."

1. *Care* (GK) = Anxiety, worry, mental distress, fretful apprehension
   a. Whatever keeps you awake at night
   b. Whatever bothers you
2. Care focuses on the dreaded outcome of never getting out of debt rather than the desired result of living debt free.
3. Worry is the down payment on something that might not happen.
   a. Sleepless nights wasted by tossing and turning
   b. Care asks, "What am 'I' going to do?"
   c. The only thing worry changes is the number of lines on your face.
4. Care is placing trust in yourself and your ability to meet your own needs and be your own source.
5. Living "care-free" is placing your entire trust in Jesus and His Word as your total Source of debt freedom.

B. Rick Renner's Testimony

From *Sparkling Gems From the Greek* by Rick Renner

1. "When we were constructing a huge church facility many years ago in the Republic of Latvia—a former Soviet nation where our family once lived and worked—worry and anxiety tried so hard to control me. In fact, worry nearly broke me until I really came to understand and embrace the meaning of 1 Peter 5:7.
2. "At the time, no credit was available for building churches in that nation. That meant we had to believe for all the finances to come in quickly so we could pay cash as we constructed the massive facility. Then the local authorities gave us a deadline by which the building had to be complete and occupied; otherwise, there was a possibility we could lose everything we had invested.
3. "With this kind of pressure on me, I found myself continually worrying that we wouldn't have enough money to finish the project on time. I was constantly fighting thoughts about losing the building if we didn't make the deadline on time.
4. "I would lie in bed at night, rolling this way and that way, turning again and again, unable to sleep because my stomach was churning with acid and my mind was spinning

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with doubts, worries, fears, reservations and concerns. My heart pounded harder and harder each day and night as anxiety reached out its demonic fingers to grab hold of my emotions and twist them into a mangled mess of panic. My wife would tell me to quit worrying and start trusting the Lord, but instead of appreciating her advice, I only got angry that she wasn't worrying with me!

5. "Finally, one night, I got up, walked down the hallway to my study, opened my Bible, and read these words: 'Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you' (1 Peter 5:7). I had read this verse thousands of times in my life, but that night it was as if it reached out from the pages of the Bible and grabbed hold of my attention. I read it and read it and read it again. At last, I picked up my Greek New Testament and began to dig deeper into this verse. What I discovered changed my life and set me free from the worry, anxiety, fretting, and fear!"

C. 1 Peter 5:7 (AMPC): "Casting the whole of your care [all your anxieties, all your worries, all your concerns, once and for all] on Him."

From *Sparkling Gems From the Greek* by Rick Renner

1. *Cast* (GK) EPI-RIPTO = To violently throw or fling something with great force
2. Concerning the building, it was as if Jesus was calling out to Rick.
   a. "Your shoulders are not big enough to carry the burdens you're trying to bear by yourself.
   b. "This load will eventually break you.
   c. "So please let ME be your beast of burden!"
3. Rick Renner's Greek translation of 1 Peter 5:7:
   a. "Take that heavy burden, difficulty or challenge you are carrying—the one that has arisen due to circumstances that have created hardship and struggles in your life—and fling those worries and anxieties over onto the back of the Lord!
   b. "Let Him carry them for you! The Lord is extremely interested in every facet of your life and is genuinely concerned about your welfare.
4. "When I saw these Greek words and perceived how deeply Jesus cared about the burdens that were on my heart, I realized I was carrying a load I didn't have to bear by myself.
   a. "Jesus was standing right at my side, longing to help me and inviting me to shift the weight from my shoulders to His shoulders.
   b. "By, faith, I heaved those financial cares onto the back of Jesus.
5. "When I did, I was set free from the stress, anxiety and pressure that had been weighing me down at that time in my life."

D. Update From Rick Renner on the Riga Church Building

From Rick Renner's email communication to Pastor George on March 16, 2013

1. "The building in Riga was built debt free. The government gave us 22 months to build it or they would take it and everything we had built on it. No one believed we could do it, and the stress was the worst thing I had ever known in my life to that moment.

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2. "But, step by step, with the help of our partners and givers in our church, we did it. Today, that building is the finest church building in the entire former USSR. There has never been any debt on it.
3. "Today, many years later, the land on which the Riga church building is built, which Denise and I personally paid for, is worth about 18 million Euros. We paid a little over $200,000 for it. Now, it is worth 18 million Euros, or about 20 million USD. How is that for increase?
4. "When we bought that land, it was an abandoned area. But today, the church is surrounded on every side by shopping malls, exclusive tennis courts, car dealerships for Mercedes and Rolls Royce—it is one of the prime regions of Riga. Our building and land are debt-free. It is a huge, privately owned by the church piece of property right in the middle of one of Riga's fastest growing areas. The Holy Spirit knew all of this when He led Denise and me to make that purchase in what looked like a God-forsaken section of Riga 20 years ago.
5. "It was good that the banks would not loan money to churches in our part of the world because it means we had to pay cash as we went. It was one of the most difficult things I have been through. But, God's grace enabled us to do it and will remain one of the finest church facilities for many years to come."

E. Confession to Cast the Care and Enter the Rest

1. "Father, in the Name of Jesus, I throw the care, weight, anxiety, worry and concern of that debt load over onto You. I refuse to carry the care any longer. You are well able to carry it and well able to provide whatever I need.
2. "According to Hebrews 4:3, 9-11, I enter the rest and peace of God concerning my debt freedom. I believe it, receive and walk in it. I am free! My days of worry and anxiety, pressure and stressing over debt are over forever!
3. "I refuse the pressure and stress—I choose instead to enter the rest."
4. The quality decision to cast the care and live in God's rest is key to becoming debt free and living debt free.
5. Psalm 25:13 (NIV): "They will spend their days in prosperity, and their descendants will inherit the land."

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21 Days to Your Debt Freedom

Top 10 Debt-Freedom Strategies

Pastor George Pearsons and John Copeland

A. Debt-Freedom Strategy #1: Get a Plan

1. Write a vision statement with short-term financial goals and long-term financial goals. Keep it simple. (See Example 1.) You can adjust it as you go, but stay the course on debt freedom.
2. Track your spending. To ensure you understand where all your money is going, track all spending for 30 days. If your bank has online features, it may have most of the information you need. Use our budget spreadsheet to record your spending. (See Example 3; also available at www.kcm.org/budgetworksheet.) Compare your spending percentages to our averages and see what adjustments need to be made.
3. Create a budget. Use your spending data to create a monthly budget. Adjust your spending to be in line with your vision and goals.
    a. Use apps like:
        i. Easy Envelope Budgeting Aid (EEBA)
        ii. mint.com
        iii. Expense Tracker
    b. Software like:
        i. Quicken
        ii. Microsoft money
        iii. Many free programs on the Internet
    c. Online resources like:
        i. mint.com
        ii. mvelopes.com
        iii. crown.org

B. Debt-Freedom Strategy #2: Review Spending for Potential Savings

1. Evaluate what could be removed from your lifestyle for a season to accelerate the reduction of debt. Consider reducing the number of meals you eat out by $50 per week. This $50 can be applied toward debt reduction!
2. Consider refinancing your home. Move forward if the total paid over the life of the new loan would be less than you would pay over the rest of your current loan. Look at a shorter term loan. The interest rates on a 15-year mortgage are lower than on a 30-year mortgage.
3. Shop around for cellphone providers, cable/satellite providers, auto/home insurance, charge card providers, etc., for savings. If you haven't reviewed these items in a while, chances are you are leaving money on the table. Prices on these items can be negotiated, but do your homework and talk to other providers before calling your existing providers.

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C. Debt-Freedom Strategy #3: Commit to "No New Debt" and Saving $1,000

1. Stop using charge cards. Break the cycle of debt. Cut up your charge cards or leave them at home when you go out. Interest rates on charge cards can be up to 33 percent a year. Making minimum payments is not the way to acquire assets. It makes the item two to three times more expensive than if you would have paid cash. Adding no new debt allows you to focus on eliminating the existing debt.
2. Saving $1,000 in an emergency fund will stop the cycle of new debt that often arises from unexpected emergencies. Keep this money in a savings account and do not use it unless there is an unexpected emergency (e.g., car breaking down, unexpected medical bills).

D. Debt-Freedom Strategy #4: Make a Charge Card Plan

1. Charge card debt is an area many struggle with. Because cards are convenient and payments are deferred, we do not see the problem until it is too big. Studies have shown that shoppers spend up to 18 percent more when they use charge cards vs. cash. Consider using cash. Only use your charge card if you have the cash in the bank to pay it off.
2. Charge card companies have to disclose the interest rates they are charging you and how the interest is calculated. The majority of charge card companies charge daily rates while others charge monthly rates. This makes the timing of your payments very important.

a. If you have a daily rate card, make payments as soon as you can during the month or multiple payments throughout the month. Use your charge card companies' online payment process to make the payments as easy as possible.

b. If you have a monthly rate card, make payments before the due date. This will ensure excess interest and late fees are not added to the amount owed.

3. Call and talk to each of your charge card companies and ask if they can give you a better interest rate than the one you have now.
4. Consider a balance transfer if you have a charge card with a lower rate and you have enough credit available. Confirm that the "balance transfer" interest rate is the same as the interest rate for "purchases." Be aware of short-term balance transfer rates that may go up significantly after a period of time. Be sure to close the original account once the balance is transferred by calling the company, then destroy the card.

E. Debt-Freedom Strategy #5: Use Cash for Areas Where Spending Fluctuates

1. Set aside cash every paycheck for essential and nonessential areas, making spending more predictable and avoiding the need to borrow in the future. Use separate envelopes that are clearly marked to keep cash separated. This allows you to see where you stand in spending at any time during the month.
2. Essential areas: Groceries, clothing and car maintenance. (Studies show that we spend more when we shop hungry/tired and up to eight percent more if we pay with a debit/charge card vs. paying with cash.)
3. Nonessential areas: Dining out, entertainment, birthday and anniversary gifts, and Christmas presents. To plan effectively, estimate annual spending and divide by your number of paychecks.

F. Debt-Freedom Strategy #6: Use a Debt Snowball to Pay Off Debt Faster

1. Write down all of your debts, excluding your house debt, from smallest to largest. Add up all of the minimum payments into one big payment, which is being made to different

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places. This is critical to understand. Once a debt is paid off, your payment amount does not go down. Instead, you take the amount you would have paid and apply that to the next debt. You continue to pay the same amount every month until all debt is paid off.

2. Make the minimum monthly payment on all debts, while using all extra available cash to pay down the smallest debt. This will accelerate the payoff of the smallest debt. When the smallest debt is paid off, do not change your overall payment amount. Instead, add the amount you have been paying toward the smallest debt to the minimum payment on your next smallest debt. Continue until you have paid off all your debt.
3. Consider paying off an installment loan first (automobile or student loan) if there are six or less payments remaining. This will free up the largest dollar amount on a monthly basis to use to pay off other debts.

G. Debt-Freedom Strategy #7: Generate Extra Cash

1. If you regularly receive a large income-tax refund, consider adjusting your payroll withholdings. For example, a $3,000 income-tax refund equates to an extra $250 per month to add to the debt snowball. (Link to IRS Withholding Calculator: www.irs.gov/Individuals/IRS-Withholding-Calculator)
2. Use the 12-month rule. If you haven't used something for 12 months, it may be time to sell it. Consider a garage sale or using Craigslist. This extra cash should be added to your debt snowball.
3. Use additional income—part-time jobs, bonuses, raises, etc., to accelerate the debt snowball.

H. Debt-Freedom Strategy #8: Pay Off Your Mortgage

1. Once all other debt is paid off, use the money you no longer pay to charge card companies, student loans, etc., to pay off your house debt. Pay the one big payment amount we talked about in step #6 to your mortgage company. You will need to check your loan documents or with your mortgage company on how to ensure the additional payments you are making are being applied to principal.
    a. For most fixed rate loans today, payments above the normal payment are applied to the last payment of the loan.
    b. Keep a copy of all extra payments made and track the loan balance to ensure you are getting credit for your additional principal payments.
2. Make a half payment every two weeks. This equates to one extra payment per year. Check with your mortgage institution; they may offer a "biweekly payment plan."
    a. Knocks seven years off a 30-year mortgage! At $800 per month, that comes to $67,200 savings!
    b. Knocks three years off a 15-year mortgage! At $800 per month, that comes to $28,800 savings!
3. If a significant amount of the total loan amount has been paid down, consider talking to your mortgage institution about reamortizing the loan. This will allow for the money paid in advance to have the most impact. It will cause your loan to be paid off quicker, because the prepayments you made are impacting your compound interest calculation.

I. Debt-Freedom Strategy #9: Avoid Car Debt

1. After your car is paid off in the debt snowball, begin saving the monthly payment.
2. The average monthly car payment is $425. Saving the payment: 3 years = $15,300;

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2 years = $10,200; 1 year = $5,100.

3. Continue a pattern of saving. Buy a newer used car with cash every three to five years.

J. Debt-Freedom Strategy #10: Staying Out of Debt

1. When all debt is paid off, begin increasing savings from $1,000 to three to six months of living expenses. This will allow you to have a little more freedom in your spending.
2. Here is the fun part! Begin saving to make an extravagant offering or to sow a debt-free seed into a family/ministry.
3. Begin saving for college or vacations and other large expenditures.
4. Make investing a non-negotiable. Save 10 percent or more every paycheck. Think long term. (Proverbs 13:22 says, "children's children.") Think in terms of 40+ years. Saving $450 per month for 40 years earning nine percent = $2.1 million.

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Supplemental Notes

A. Things to Consider:

1. In 2012, the average household in the U.S. had an income of $50,223 and eight to 10 charge cards totaling $15,204, student loans of $33,005, and mortgage debt of $148,818—for a total household debt of over $197,000. That's almost four times the income!
2. In our experience, people who fully commit to a spending plan and attacking debt will achieve debt freedom (excluding a mortgage) in 10 to 14 months.
3. Including a mortgage, the worst situation we've seen will achieve total debt freedom in 10 years.

B. Example 1: Vision Statement, Short-Term and Long-Term Goals

1. Vision statement: To be a good steward of the finances God gives me
2. Short-term goals
   a. Save $1,000
   b. Pay off MasterCard
   c. Pay off VISA
3. Long-term goals
   a. Pay off student loans
   b. Pay off mortgage
   c. Buy car using cash

C. Example 2: Debt Snowball—Manage One Large Monthly Amount to Multiple Places

D. Example 3: Sample Budget Spreadsheet

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How to Believe God for a House

God's Will for Your House

Day #121

A. 1 John 5:14-15—Where Faith for a House Begins

1. AMPC: "And this is the confidence (the assurance, the privilege of boldness) which we have in Him: [we are sure] that if we ask anything (make any request) according to His will (in agreement with His own plan), He listens to and hears us. And if (since) we [positively] know that He listens to us in whatever we ask, we also know [with settled and absolute knowledge] that we have [granted us as our present possessions] the requests made of Him."
2. Faith stops at the question mark.
3. Faith for a house begins where the will of God is known.
4. God's Word is God's perfect will.
5. You must know from God's Word that it is His will for you to live in a beautiful, debt-free house.

B. Genesis 2:8—The Garden of Eden

1. AMPC: "And the Lord God planted a garden toward the east, in Eden [delight]; and there He put the man whom He had formed (framed, constituted)."
2. *Eden* (HEB) = The region of Adam's home; House of Pleasure; luxury
3. The Garden of Eden was God's original intent for our earthly homes.
4. Because of THE BLESSING, our surroundings should be like the Garden of Eden.
5. Our homes should be a refuge; places that minister the life of God.

C. Isaiah 32:18—Your Peaceful Habitation

1. *Habitation* (HEB) = Home, residence, dwelling, pleasant place
2. NIV: "My people will live in peaceful dwelling places, in secure homes, in undisturbed places of rest."
3. MSG: "My people will live in a peaceful neighborhood—in safe houses, in quiet gardens."
4. DRB: "My people shall sit in the beauty of peace, and in the tabernacles of confidence, and in wealthy rest."
5. NLT: "My people will live in safety, quietly at home. They will be at rest."

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A Debt-Free Stand of Faith

Day #122

A. Romans 13:8 (AMPC)—Keep Out of Debt

1. In 1967, Kenneth and Gloria determined that whatever they saw in God's Word, they would do.
2. "If faith won't get it, we won't have it. If the Word won't get it, we don't need it."
3. Then they found Romans 13:8 (AMPC) that says, "Keep out of debt and owe no man anything, except to love one another."
4. They committed to live debt free.
5. From *God's Will Is Prosperity* by Gloria Copeland
    a. "The first thing I began to believe God for was a home."
    b. "But what about Romans 13:8? It says that we are to owe no man anything but to love him. How can you believe God for enough money to buy a home?"
    c. "This is one area most people think is impossible."
    d. "Many have made the statement, 'Surely you don't have to believe for a home without borrowing money!'"

B. 2 Corinthians 9:8 (AMPC)—"I hung my faith on that scripture."

1. "Satan would come to me with thoughts of doubt and say, 'There is no way that you can buy a house without going into debt.' When he would do that, I would trust in and continually confess 2 Corinthians 9:8 (AMPC). It gave me the comfort and strength I needed to stand in faith."
2. "And God is able to make all grace (every favor and earthly blessing) come to you in abundance, so that you may always and under all circumstances and whatever the need be self-sufficient [possessing enough to require no aid or support and furnished in abundance for every good work and charitable donation]."
3. "I hung my faith on that scripture."
4. "Believing God was the only way I could have my home."
5. "The Word says that He is able to get it to you."

C. James 1:5-8—Stay Single-Minded on the Word

1. "When I believe God for something, I don't waver."
2. "I have made a quality decision that the Word is true."
3. "I have built into myself a reliance on God's Word."

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4. "I believe His Word more than I believe what I can see or feel."
    a. "You've got to dump your fear to make your stand." —Gloria Copeland
5. "As I have heard Kenneth Hagin say, 'If you are determined to stand forever, it won't take very long.'"
    a. "That's the way I am when I am believing God for something."
    b. "I could stand forever if necessary."

The Word says that He is able to get it to you. Don't look to natural sources. Don't look to your job. When you are believing God, you have to look to His Word. Keep your eye single on the Word. You have to realize and know that He can and will work in your behalf. God is a real operator! He is able to get things done.

—Gloria Copeland, *God's Will Is Prosperity*

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Three Revelations—Part 1

Day #123

A. Mark 11:24—Faith Begins With Believing

1. "We began believing God for the perfect home when we lived in Tulsa, Oklahoma, in 1968."
2. "At the same time, there was a lady in Fort Worth, Texas, who started building her home."
3. "It was several years before I saw that home, but the floor plan was exactly what we needed to meet our needs as a family. It was perfect for us."
4. "She began to build it at the very time we began to believe for it."
5. "God started to work immediately."
    a. After moving back to Fort Worth, Kenneth and Gloria looked at the house.
    b. The owners tried to sell it, even give it away—but it was given back.
    c. "They couldn't even give it away! That was our home!"

B. 2 Corinthians 4:13—Speak What You Believe

1. "We leased the house for one year. We agreed to pay cash for it at the end of that year."
2. "We lived well. But as far as having that much money in cash, we just didn't have it. In the natural there was no reason to expect to have it, but in the spirit we knew our God was able."
    a. "We could have borrowed the money years sooner, but we refused to compromise on our decision."
    b. "Whenever there is a choice between the world's way and the Word's way, we always go with the Word."
3. "When we moved in, the house was in need of repair. It needed to be completely remodeled, so I was faced with a decision."
    a. "I had enough money to start the remodeling."
    b. "This is not our house legally. It would be unwise to put thousands of dollars into a house that doesn't even belong to us."
4. "As an act of faith, I went to work."
5. "When Satan would say, 'That sure is a lot of money for you to lose,' I would answer, 'No, in the Name of Jesus, this is my house and it will be paid for in July. We will pay cash for it and I believe I have the money in the Name of Jesus!'"

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C. Gloria Copeland's Three Revelations Came While Believing for the Money

1. The Revelation of Divine Prosperity
2. The Revelation of Peace and Prosperity
3. The Revelation of Dominion and Authority

D. Galatians 3:13-14—The Revelation of Divine Prosperity

1. "Our commitment years before to stay out of debt made the difference."
2. "If we had not committed to God's Word then, we would not know what we know today about God's system of finance."
3. "One day as I was standing in my house, looking out the window and thinking about these things, God gave me what I would call a revelation of divine prosperity."
    a. "Divine prosperity works exactly the same way as divine healing."
    b. "We would allow symptoms of lack to come on us and stay there. We were willing to tolerate them."
    c. "I realized that Jesus bore the curse of poverty at the same time He bore the curse of sickness."
4. "You can believe for divine prosperity just as you believe for divine health. Both blessings already belong to you. You should refuse lack just as quickly as you refuse sickness."
5. "If you make up your mind—make a quality decision—that you are not willing to live in lack, but that you are willing to live in divine prosperity and abundance, Satan cannot stop the flow of God's financial blessings."
    a. Declare: "I am not willing to live in lack."
    b. Confess: "I am living in divine prosperity!"

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Three Revelations—Part 2

Day #124

A. Galatians 3:13-14—The Revelation of Divine Prosperity

1. Kenneth and Gloria were leasing a house, believing God to buy it at the end of a year.
2. The Lord gave Gloria three revelations of how to believe God for her house.
3. The first was a revelation of divine prosperity.
4. The Lord showed her that she was to stand in faith for her prosperity in the same way that she would stand in faith for her healing.
    a. Just as Jesus had borne her sicknesses and diseases, He had paid for her to be free from poverty and lack.
    b. "We need to see prosperity in the same light that we see healing and health."
5. "You begin to walk in divine prosperity with a decision to no longer allow Satan to put symptoms of lack on you."

B. Isaiah 53:5, 48:17-18—The Revelation of Peace and Prosperity

1. Isaiah 53:5: "The chastisement of our peace was upon him."
2. Isaiah 48:17-18 (AMPC): "Thus says the Lord, your Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel: I am the Lord your God, Who teaches you to profit, Who leads you in the way that you should go. Oh, that you had hearkened to My commandments! Then your peace and prosperity would have been like a flowing river, and your righteousness [the holiness and purity of the nation] like the [abundant] waves of the sea."
3. Genesis 15:1 (AMPC): "Peace and well-being include a prosperous life. God told Abram, 'Fear not, Abram, I am your Shield, your abundant compensation, and your reward shall be exceedingly great.'"
    a. "Abundant compensation is far-reaching."
    b. "Abundant compensation means everything."
    c. "It enveloped Abraham in a blanket of well-being."
4. "Peace and prosperity go hand in hand. Your prosperity has already been provided for you. Prosperity is yours. Rest in that."
5. *Peace* (HEB) = Nothing missing, nothing broken
6. "Peace is everything that makes for man's highest good." —Gloria Copeland

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C. Genesis 1:26-28—The Revelation of Dominion and Authority

1. Divine prosperity and abundance belong to you now
2. We, as born-again believers, have the same authority over the earth that Adam had in the Garden of Eden.
3. Verse 28 (AMPC): "And God blessed them and said to them, Be fruitful, multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it [using all its vast resources…]."
4. "While we were standing in faith for the money to pay for our house, the Lord reminded me of this scripture and revealed to me that every material thing here came from the earth's vast resources. Every piece of lumber, brick, glass, concrete, mortar—there was nothing in the makeup of our house that had not come from the earth's resources."
    a. "I wasn't taking authority over something that belonged to someone else. That house was up for sale."
    b. "The people had relinquished their authority when they put it on the market."
    c. "I had the right to take authority over it and receive it as mine in the Name of Jesus."
5. "I began to see that I already had authority over that house and authority over the money I needed to purchase it. I said, 'In the Name of Jesus, I take authority over the money I need. I command you to come to me. I take my place and I take dominion over that which I need. I command it to come in Jesus' Name. Ministering spirits, you go and cause it to come.'"

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How Far Will You Go on God's Word?

Day #125

A. Ephesians 6:13-14—The Stand of Faith

1. "It was six years from the time we started believing God for the perfect home until we moved into our home."
2. "At the end of the year's lease, we paid cash for our 'faith house.'"
3. "I am still not sure how, except by faith in God's Word."
4. "Had we borrowed the money, we would still have 35 years to pay!"
5. "Thank God, borrowed money is not our source—HE IS!"

B. This Must Become a Revelation to You

1. "You cannot receive these things just because I tell you about them."
2. "They must become real to you."
3. "You have to take the scriptures on prosperity and meditate on them until they become a reality in your heart, until you know that prosperity belongs to you."
4. "Once you have a revelation of divine prosperity, peace and prosperity, and dominion and authority in your spirit, you won't allow Satan to take it from you."
5. "The Word of God is the source of your prosperity."

C. Excerpt From a Partner Letter by Kenneth Copeland

1. "Ask yourself: 'Just how far will I go on the Word?'"
2. "When God told Israel that He would make them plenteous in goods and they would lend to many nations and borrow from none, He meant He would supply them better than if they went to another nation."
3. "When Gloria and I decided to owe no man anything, we made that decision to glorify God and please God by walking by faith. We started by making the quality decision to borrow no more and released our faith to pay all the debts we owed. We were faced with believing for our everyday supply. We learned to believe for the small things first."
4. "As God taught us to prosper, the day came when we knew we were ready to have a home. We were faced with the same question I told you to ask yourself. How far will we go on the Word? We made the decision then if we ever had a choice we would use our faith instead of some other source."
5. "We were in a good enough financial position to have borrowed the money and lived in a better house than the one we were living in all of those eight years. Believe me, the faith way was better. We have the perfect home. It is not just a nice home…. The Word is strong enough in any situation."

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21 House Scriptures—Part 1

Day #126

1. **Proverbs 24:3-4 (AMPC):** "Through skillful and godly Wisdom is a house (a life, a home, a family) built, and by understanding it is established [on a sound and good foundation], and by knowledge shall its chambers [of every area] be filled with all precious and pleasant riches."
    a. MSG: "It takes wisdom to build a house, and understanding to set it on a firm foundation."
    b. HCSB: "A house is built by wisdom."

2. **Proverbs 9:1 (AMPC):** "Wisdom has built her house."

3. **Proverbs 14:1 (AMPC):** "Every wise woman builds her house, but the foolish one tears it down with her own hands."
    a. DARBY: "The wisdom of women buildeth their house."
    b. Ruth 4:11: "Rachel and Leah…did build the house of Israel."

4. **Isaiah 65:21:** "They shall build homes and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, and eat the fruit of them."

5. **Proverbs 24:27 (AMPC):** "[Put first things first.] Prepare your work outside and get it ready for yourself in the field; and afterward build your house and establish a home."

6. **Jeremiah 29:5 (AMPC):** "Build yourselves houses and dwell in them; plant gardens and eat the fruit of them."

7. **Psalm 107:7 (AMPC):** "He led them forth by the straight and right way, that they might go to a city where they could establish their homes."
    a. MSG: "He put your feet on a wonderful road that took you straight to a good place to live."

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21 House Scriptures—Part 2

Day #127

8. **Psalm 18:19 (AMPC):** "He brought me forth also into a large place; He was delivering me because He was pleased with me and delighted in me."
    a. HEB—A roomy place with wide expanses
    b. NIV—A spacious place

9. **Psalm 66:12:** "Thou hast caused men to ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water: but thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place."
    a. NIV—A place of abundance
    b. YLT—A watered place

10. **2 Samuel 7:10:** "Moreover I will appoint a place for my people Israel, and will plant them, that they may dwell in a place of their own, and move no more; neither shall the children of wickedness afflict them any more, as beforetime."
    a. NIV—A home of their own

11. **John 14:2:** "In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you."

12. **Proverbs12:7 (AMPC):** "The wicked are overthrown and are not, but the house of the [uncompromisingly] righteous shall stand."
    a. NIV—Stands firm
    b. MSG: "The homes of good people hold together."

13. **Isaiah 32:18 (MSG):** "My people will live in a peaceful neighborhood—in safe houses, in quiet gardens."

14. **Psalm 78:55 (NIV):** "He drove out nations before them and allotted their lands to them as an inheritance; he settled the tribes of Israel in their homes."

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21 House Scriptures—Part 3

Day #128

15. **Proverbs 3:33 (NIV):** "The Lord's curse is on the house of the wicked, but he blesses the home of the righteous."
    a. DRB: "The habitations of the just shall be blessed."

16. **Acts 17:26 (AMPC):** "And He made from one [common origin, one source, one blood] all nations of men to settle on the face of the earth, having definitely determined [their] allotted periods of time and the fixed boundaries of their habitation (their settlements, lands, and abodes)."
    a. NIV-84: "He determined the times set for them and the exact places where they should live."

17. **Psalm 16:5-6 (NLT):** "Lord, you alone are my inheritance, my cup of blessing. You guard all that is mine. The land you have given me is a pleasant land. What a wonderful inheritance!"
    a. MSG: "My choice is you, God, first and only. And now I find I'm your choice! You set me up with a house and yard. And then you made me your heir!"

18. **Proverbs 14:11 (NLT):** "The house of the wicked will be destroyed, but the tent of the godly will flourish."

19. **Psalm 68:6 (AMPC):** "God places the solitary in families and gives the desolate a home in which to dwell; He leads the prisoners out to prosperity; but the rebellious dwell in a parched land."

20. **Psalm 127:1 (NIV-84):** "Unless the Lord builds the house, its builders labor in vain. Unless the Lord watches over the city, the watchmen stand guard in vain."

21. **Hebrews 11:10 (NIV):** "For he was looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God."

Bonus Scriptures:

2 Samuel 7:27 (NIV): "Lord Almighty, God of Israel, you have revealed this to your servant, saying, 'I will build a house for you.'"

1 Chronicles 28:19 (MSG): "Here are the blueprints for the whole project as God gave me to understand it."

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The Lord Will Furnish Your Home

Day #129

A. Psalm 112:1, 3: "Praise ye the Lord. Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord, that delighteth greatly in his commandments. Wealth and riches shall be in his house: and his righteousness endureth for ever."

"I'll never forget the time Gloria discovered that scripture. We didn't have any money at the time, and the walls in our house were as bare as they could be. But she was ready to decorate. So she took that promise, 'Wealth and riches shall be in his house' and laid claim to it by faith.

"Suddenly, everywhere we went, somebody was giving us a painting or some other little treasure for our house.

"Unfortunately, most believers aren't as quick to believe God for that kind of thing as Gloria was. Some even claim God doesn't promise us New Testament believers physical prosperity—just spiritual. But the truth is, you can't separate the two. That's why Jesus says if you'll seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, then all these (material) things will be added to you. He knows the spiritual realm and the material realm are connected.

"Don't let anyone talk you out of God's promises of prosperity. You don't have to choose between financial and spiritual prosperity. Both belong to you. Lay claim to them by faith. As a born-again child of God, dare to reach out and receive the riches that belong to you!" —Kenneth Copeland, *From Faith to Faith*

B. Home-Furnishing Scriptures

1. Deuteronomy 6:10-11 (AMPC): "When the Lord your God brings you into the land which He swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, to give you, with great and goodly cities which you did not build, and houses full of all good things which you did not fill, and cisterns hewn out which you did not hew, and vineyards and olive trees which you did not plant."
2. Psalm 112:3 (MSG): "Their houses brim with wealth and a generosity that never runs dry."
3. Psalm 122:7 (AMPC): "May peace be within your walls and prosperity within your palaces!"
4. Proverbs 15:6 (AMPC): "In the house of the [uncompromisingly] righteous is great [priceless] treasure."
    a. NIV-84: "The house of the righteous contains great treasure."
5. Proverbs 24:3-4 (AMPC): "Through skillful and godly Wisdom is a house (a life, a home, a family) built, and by understanding it is established [on a sound and good foundation], and by knowledge shall its chambers [of every area] be filled with all precious and pleasant riches."

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a. Verse 4 (NLT): "Through knowledge its rooms are filled with all sorts of precious riches and valuables."
b. NIV: "Through knowledge its rooms are filled with rare and beautiful treasures."
c. MSG: "It takes knowledge to furnish its rooms with fine furniture and beautiful drapes."

6. 1 Kings 6:38 (AMPC): "In the eleventh year, in Bul, the eighth month, the house was finished throughout according to all its specifications. So he was seven years in building it."
7. Isaiah 61:4 (NIV): "They will rebuild the ancient ruins and restore the places long devastated; they will renew the ruined cities that have been devastated for generations." (A scripture for renovating a house.)
8. Isaiah 65:22 (MSG): "No more building a house that some outsider takes over. No more planting fields that some enemy confiscates." (A scripture for foreclosure.)

C. Confession of Home Furnishings

Father, in the Name of Jesus,
I thank You that You provide all things richly to enjoy.
That includes the furnishing of my home.
According to Your Word, I believe I receive:

Wealth and riches in my home.
My house brimming with wealth.
Houses full of all good things which I did not fill.
Peace within my walls and prosperity within my palaces.
Great and priceless treasure.
The chambers of every area filled with all precious
and pleasant riches and rare and beautiful treasures.

In the same way You furnished the Temple,
thank You for furnishing my home!

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Stand Your Ground

Day #130

A. Galatians 6:9 (AMPC): "And let us not lose heart and grow weary and faint in acting nobly and doing right, for in due time and at the appointed season we shall reap, if we do not loosen and relax our courage and faint."

1. You made the quality decision to believe God for a house.
2. You gathered your scriptures and declared them every day.
3. Time went by and there didn't seem to be much change.
4. You got discouraged and your faith began to wane.
5. A word of encouragement: STAND YOUR GROUND AND DON'T GIVE UP—NO MATTER HOW LONG IT TAKES TO BELIEVE GOD FOR YOUR HOUSE.

B. Hebrews 6:12: "That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises."

1. Patience is not passively hunkering down until the storm passes over, being satisfied with whatever happens.
2. Patience is a force that undergirds your faith that stands firm until the desired result is achieved.
   a. Patience stays in one spot and does not move.
   b. It does not bend or break but remains constant and unwavering.
   c. Faith takes whatever you need, and patience keeps it.
3. James 1:2-4: "My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing."
   a. Verse 4 (AMPC): "But let endurance and steadfastness and patience have full play and do a thorough work, so that you may be [people] perfectly and fully developed [with no defects], lacking in nothing."
   b. Verses 3-4 (NLT): "For you know that when your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to grow. So let it grow, for when your endurance is fully developed, you will be perfect and complete, needing nothing."
4. Time can be an enemy or an opportunity.
   a. An enemy that causes you to become discouraged and quit.
   b. An opportunity to keep building your faith, watching it grow as you relentlessly refuse to give up.
5. The end result of standing: You will be fully developed in your faith, lacking nothing.

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C. **Hebrews 10:35-36 (AMPC):** "Do not, therefore, fling away your fearless confidence, for it carries a great and glorious compensation of reward. For you have need of steadfast patience and endurance, so that you may perform and fully accomplish the will of God, and thus receive and carry away [and enjoy to the full] what is promised."

1. After Terri and I paid for our house, it took us four years to move in.
2. There were times when we got discouraged. But we kept believing, stood our ground and refused to give up and quit.
3. We are thankful for the decision to pay for and renovate the house debt free.
4. We averted a 30-year mortgage, thousands of dollars in interest and did not bow our knee to a lender.
5. "I speak to my house in the Name of Jesus and command it to come to me! No matter how long it takes, I am standing my ground, walking by faith, holding fast to the Word and refusing to fling it away, throw in the towel and quit. I am strong in The Lord and in the power of His might. I believe I receive my debt-free house NOW!!"

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How to Believe God for a House
Our Personal Journey

Bonus Teaching with Pastors George and Terri Pearsons

"Every wise woman buildeth her house: and every wise husband lets her doeth it."
—Proverbs 14:1 (Pastor George Translation)

My wife is an amazing visionary and multitasker. She can run project circles around me. And she sure knows every detail! Her recall ability is absolutely astounding. I can give you a headline or two, but hands down—Terri Copeland Pearsons is definitely the "Detail Queen."

But even more than that, she is a woman of God and a woman of faith. All throughout our wonderful married life, she has been an inspiration to me. Because of her heritage, she taught me how to live by faith and give God's Word first place.

That is exactly why I asked her to join me with this special bonus teaching. We needed to have Terri's "take" on what we did. I wanted you to know—in intimate detail—"Our Personal Journey" of believing God for our homes.

What you are about to read is Terri's account of our walk of faith. She masterfully takes us behind the scenes and shares intimate details that have never been shared publicly. I appreciate the way she laid this out, house by house. There were so many details that I had forgotten when I first read this.

I know this will inspire you as it did me—and I was there!

Read it prayerfully. I believe as you do, revelation for your home will come.

Father, I pray for the ones reading this right now. Open the eyes of their understanding and reveal Your personal plan for their home. Thank You for helping them and encouraging their faith, in Jesus' Name."

Now, let your journey begin as Terri shares ours.

A. Foundation Scripture for Success in Life—John 4:23: "A time will come, however, indeed it is already here, when the true (genuine) worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth (reality); for the Father is seeking just such people as these as His worshipers" (AMPC).

1. First, note that Jesus said, "Thy word is truth" in John 17:17. *The Amplified Bible, Classic Edition,* defines truth as "reality."
    a. When you seek the Word as your reality, it will become real for you. It will actually become what it says it already is. The Word still becomes natural things just like it did in Genesis 1. It is already real in the spirit realm, but it will become real in all aspects of your life.
    b. Those who truly worship the Father are yielding to His Word in their lives.
    c. The Word of God will change your life step by step until you look like Jesus.
2. Second, note the phrase "in spirit." It is the Spirit who leads us in the Word of God, helping us to understand it and how to apply it to our lives. He is the One who shows us how to live by it.
3. John 16:13-15 says, "But when He, the Spirit of Truth (the Truth-giving Spirit) comes,

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He will guide you into all the Truth (the whole, full Truth). For He will not speak His own message [on His own authority]; but He will tell whatever He hears [from the Father; He will give the message that has been given to Him], and He will announce and declare to you the things that are to come [that will happen in the future]. He will honor and glorify Me, because He will take of (receive, draw upon) what is Mine and will reveal (declare, disclose, transmit) it to you. Everything that the Father has is Mine. That is what I meant when I said that He [the Spirit] will take the things that are Mine and will reveal (declare, disclose, transmit) it to you" (AMPC).

4. The Holy Spirit will guide you into all truth. He will point you to the Word, then help you walk out the Word in your life.
5. Give the Word of God first place, making it final authority.
6. I wasn't particularly aware of the verse in John 4, but in retrospect I can see that throughout our lives it was when we were worshiping God in spirit and in truth that our lives increased.
7. Increase is a good word to describe what happens when you walk with God by putting His Word first in your life and insist on being led by the Spirit.
    a. The word *increase* itself indicates a process. You don't go from beginning to end with no middle. Jesus gave us the Kingdom process in Mark 4:28: "First the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear."
    b. 3 John 2 says, "Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth."
    c. The ways of God always include prospering and increasing in quality and in quantity.
    d. You grow, or develop, in the Word. Paul used the phrase, "skillful in the Word of righteousness." Skill indicates maturing. It means being able to go to the Word of God and take up the Word the Holy Spirit quickens to you as a weapon (Ephesians 6:17).
    e. Romans 8:14 says that those who "are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God." Not just children. Not all children. But sons. The Greek word here indicates a maturity. This is talking about being sons, not just children.
    f. When you are led by the Holy Spirit there is a natural process of maturing.
    g. You are led by the Spirit as you mature. As you mature, you are led more and more by the Spirit.
8. I want to share how this process has worked in our lives. It was in preparing for this broadcast that I realized this is what's been happening over the course of our 36 years of marriage—and is still happening!
9. This isn't only about believing for the house we are currently in, but there have been four other houses. Our going from the first to the fourth house is a good picture of what walking with the Lord looks like—in every area of life, not just in regard to houses.

B. Our First Home

1. Our faith for a house started when we got married.
2. We sought to rent for our first house, with not much vision beyond that.
3. We looked as far away as an hour's drive to the office.
4. I am sure we prayed and asked the Lord for His help, but it wasn't that significant of a faith effort that I remember. It was the blessing of the tither at work for us.

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   a. We had committed to tithe. We had dedicated our lives to the Lord with all our hearts, but we weren't focused in faith for anything more than a place to live. I don't recall even asking the Lord for specifics for this house.
   b. We were seeking the Kingdom and God's will for our lives and that focus took all the faith we had.
   c. We had been developing in being led by the Spirit as a couple since our relationship started. We didn't know a lot about going to the Word of God for a house or about seeking to be led on purpose.
   d. The blessing of being a tither was at work for us, even though we didn't know to make specific requests.
5. We were seeking the Kingdom and He was faithful to His Word that ***He*** would add "things" to us (Matthew 6:33), and He did it. We found a rent house that was brand new.
   a. The landlords had built it for her parents, who didn't want it, so they decided to rent it. They were wonderful landlords. It was really cute.
   b. It was only seven minutes from the office, which was wonderful. I was working in the mailroom and George was working in the art department.
   c. The house was 1400 square feet, maybe, including the garage. That's a fairly small house, but we rolled around in it, like a marble in a jar.
      i. All we had was a kitchen table and chairs, a mattress, a bookshelf my cousin had made, a piano my grandmother gave us, and a very old chair.
      ii. Our clothes were in cardboard boxes when we got married. Praise God, someone gave us a halfway refurbished chest of drawers almost immediately after we were married. (It stayed halfway finished the rest of the time we owned it!)
6. It was at this point that we truly began going to the Word on purpose, not for a house, but for furniture. We prayed the prayer of agreement according to Matthew 18:18-19.
   a. We were seeking the Kingdom. We knew we needed to put action to our faith and we followed the leading of the Spirit.
   b. We marked off space on the floor with masking tape for a couch. We would walk around that space like a couch was there, thanking the Lord for our furniture.
   c. The Lord helped me and I found a set of three tall baskets for $25 that I used as end tables.
   d. I would pray and ask the Lord to show me how to arrange the living room to look fuller, in spite of having hardly any furniture, and He did.
   e. It took a little while, but eventually someone gave us a used couch—it was not my personal taste, but we were really grateful to have something to sit on. After nearly a year we bought our first new couch, and things were starting to look better.
7. We had been married two years and along came baby number one, Jeremy. By the time he was a year and a half old, we had outgrown that house—both inside and out. It was more than the fact that there was little room for us. The Word was growing in us. Without us really thinking about it, or on purpose by faith reaching for a bigger house, the Word in us was producing one for us. The vision it was producing in us was too big for that house anymore.
8. We were seeking the Kingdom and putting the Word first place in our lives. How was the Word first place?
   a. The preaching of the Word was playing in our home all the time. We were in conferences and in church and of course, we read our Bibles.

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   b. We were listening to, speaking and applying the Word we heard.
   c. The Word was an integral part of our lives.
9. The same process that brought us to the first house set us up for the second.

C. The Second House

1. Once again, I would say it was the blessing of being a tither that took over for us.
2. Matthew 6:33 says, "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."
3. We were seeking the Kingdom. Our lives were about seeking Kingdom realities. Being tithers was doing things for us that we didn't even know to ask for. We hadn't taken any action on looking for a house, but we knew it was time to move. Everything changed very quickly.
4. Our grandparents bought a house. Granddad could see the ministry moving north of Fort Worth and wanted to move that direction with it. After they bought it, however, my grandmother wouldn't budge out of her home. So, he wanted us to have the new house.
   a. It all happened in less than a week. I had only seen the house once. He called and asked us to take it. It was a nice brick home, and double the square footage of our current house.
   b. Granddad had paid cash for a sizable portion. He asked that we pay him back directly for that portion and then to assume the loan.
   c. I know for a fact that he didn't ask us to pay back the full portion of what he had paid, so we got a good Granddad deal. That was the blessing of the Lord for a good start.
   d. However, we had to make double payments—one to the loan company and one to him. That lasted for several years.
5. Things were tight, but the Lord helped us. In the natural, we wouldn't have been able to take a vacation, but more than once someone who received free Hawaiian vacations as a trade in business would give us one of those trips. So we weren't suffering—except that we couldn't afford to do anything inside the house. In that way, I was suffering! There are only a few colors that I run from in decorating: orange, rust and brown. This house had rust carpet; orange countertops; and orange, rust and silver wallpaper. I don't ever recall really asking the Lord for help in that area. We just tolerated it (which was help from the Lord in itself).
6. After we paid Granddad back, we were able to start saving for changes in the house. The Lord blessed us, and a little extra came in here and there.
7. When it came to home improvements, I didn't see us with money. I had a mental and spiritual block about believing God.
   a. Eventually, we had enough cash to change a few things that really helped, like carpet and paint in a few rooms. We had been in the house for six years. I remember because when Aubrey was born, I was giving last-minute instructions to the painter from my hospital bed!
   b. About six years later, I found myself really wanting to deal with those orange countertops. The Word had continued to develop a sense of purpose inside me that I wasn't even conscious of. We were busy with the Kingdom in lots of other ways, growing in faith and growing in God. So when the desire rose in me to change my surroundings, I was very much on purpose this time to ask and then believe I received.

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8. We were always giving and receiving. Our giving was increasing. We gave that couch the Lord had blessed us with and for some time used lawn furniture in the living room. We cleaned out the kitchen cabinets to help someone else. We gave into ministries and continued sowing into the Kingdom. God was faithful. He always replaced those things with better than what we had. We were living for the Kingdom. Whether it was working or raising our children, we were endeavoring to be led by the Spirit. God always provided for us and prospered us.
9. We were not pastoring at the time, but we were active in church. I was teaching a new-members class when a lady I had never met before came up to me and said, "The Lord has told me to get involved with you on whatever project you are working on." I told her, "My house." She was fine with that and wrote a check to me for several thousand dollars. There was my new flooring and countertops.
10. The Word continued to grow in us over the next six years. Our vision was growing from the inside out and it began to reach for the next place we were to live.
    a. This second house was the kind of house some people live in for their entire lives, but the Word was increasing in us and it was producing an increased vision that just had to get out.
    b. We didn't know exactly what to do except to put action to our faith. We got clear direction and an impression in our spirits to pack up as much of the house as we could. So we did, and for quite some time we lived with stacked boxes and the smell of cardboard; but it was a step that moved us to the next house.

D. The Third House

1. By now we had learned a lot about being on purpose with our faith. We had developed in faith for healing, love, our children, and our role in the ministry. You've heard my Dad, Kenneth Copeland, tell about us starting the TV and publications departments, which we did. But by this time the Lord had taken George from art director, to CEO of KCM, to pastor of the church there on ministry property.
2. We had been pastoring EMIC for about five years when this desire to move had grown in us. Again, this was a result of the Word producing vision and increase in us.
    a. It's the nature of the Word to do that.
    b. The Lord told me, *Did you know you have to believe against the Word for it not to produce in your life?* If you believe you are not supposed to increase in a certain area you can shut down what the Word will automatically do for you.
    c. If you will however, on purpose, focus and set your faith to allow the Word to produce for you in a certain area, it will expedite the results. We were growing in this.
3. God is faithful to His Word. God had to move us to get us in position for what He had for us.
4. Three years before, the Lord had let us know that we were to give our house to another family—debt free. We were not debt free at the time, so we began working to pay off the house.
    a. The house was our seed. In the spirit it was sown the moment we determined to give it.
    b. We did a little research and found a few ways to pay the mortgage down. We added to our payments and the Lord helped us.
    c. We knew it would be good to be debt free, but if the Lord hadn't told us to give

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the house without debt, I don't think we would have pressed into debt freedom the way we did.

d. Even with our best efforts, we still had a ways to go to completely pay the house off.

5. We received a call from a minister friend who said he had a word from the Lord for our congregation. We fully trusted him and said he could come right away. That Wednesday evening, the word he preached was about how God will bless those who honor Him, His Word, and His servants. He spoke of sowing and reaping and then, to our surprise, he received an offering for us for a new house! We hadn't told anyone about wanting to move, other than normal conversation with friends and family. It was a significant offering. The amount exceeded what would normally be expected from a congregation that size.
6. Of course, we immediately used the money to pay off the remainder of the loan. It took 17 years to pay off a 30-year mortgage. Glory to God, the house was paid for! That was a little over half the time it would have taken if we hadn't taken action. Thankfully, we had a little of the offering left over to help us get into the next house.
7. Yet, there was a mental and spiritual block in us for the next house, as we couldn't see ourselves living beyond our current part of town (and standard of living). The Lord had to help us.
8. As soon as the house was paid off, we gave it to the family the Lord had told us to three years before. The problem was, we had no place to go. So, to be honorable, since we had given the house, we paid rent to the new owners until we could find a house.
9. That was another place to use our faith—finding a house.
    a. The power of increase was strong in me, yet I didn't really know what it looked like. The Lord knew we needed to "come up." Just like He took Abraham outside and showed him the stars, He took us somewhere to help us begin to see what His blessing could look like for us.
    b. We were invited to some friends' house for a Christmas party. They had just moved to town, so we had not yet seen their house. They lived quite a distance from us. Their house was beautiful, with quality and class. The neighborhood was grand and uplifting—a feast for your eyes.
    c. George stood on the sidewalk, looked around the neighborhood and said, "This is too rich for my blood." The seed of faith in the Word had been planted, and it grew very quickly.
10. The Word was producing something bigger on the inside than we could see on the outside. We were being conformed to the Word.
    a. God was obligated to do what the Word was producing in us. God wanted to bless us.
    b. The Word in you will demand better. The Word brings increase.
    c. The Word produced a massive harvest in our lives.
11. Obviously, our heads had no idea what to look for—and on top of that, we didn't know where to look for it. Our thinking was limited, but the Lord was helping us to come up to the level the Word had brought our spirits.
    a. I was following the witness of the Spirit. We looked at dozens of houses. It was all part of the process of the Lord bringing us to what He had for us.
    b. After a couple of months of looking, the realtor said, "You have looked at every

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house on the market in this area. You are going to have to go outside this radius." I was apprehensive about that, and couldn't really "see" it.

12. The same minister friend called us again and said, "I was praying and it seems to me that you are not looking out far enough for your house. It's farther away." That's when freedom dropped into my spirit and I could see us moving outside our comfort zone, living somewhere beyond where I had been thinking.
13. We only looked at a few houses before the realtor took us to the most beautiful house I had ever been in. Every detail was impressive: crown moldings, woodwork, tile, appliances. The yard, the neighborhood, even the gas stations in the area were pretty. Remember the lady who gave me several thousand dollars some six years before? She and her husband were with us. After looking at that house for an hour, we danced on the front porch. This was it. Faith friends are a true blessing of the Lord.
14. We looked down the street just a few houses, and there was the house we had visited for a Christmas party only a few months before. There was the sidewalk where George had told the Lord that this neighborhood was "too rich for his blood." The goodness of the Lord had helped us again. He was faithful to His Word.
15. So we bought the house. That was miraculous. We had given our house, so we had no income from that, but we did have some left from the special offering that had been received for us. With some fancy footwork with the mortgage company, we were able to borrow the money.
16. Yes, we went from debt free back to debt owed. We wanted to be debt free, and thought it was a good idea to be debt free, but didn't fully understand that we *needed* to be debt free. We couldn't comprehend that.
17. Dad had been preaching about God's provision for debt freedom, but not as intensely as he is now. He was very kind and supportive, and told us from the very start that we needed to believe to get out of debt as soon as we could. We'd had some success in that area already, so we were ready for that challenge.
18. What we had faith for, the Lord gave us.
    a. We had faith for the ability to not only make the payments but to maintain the house. And that was a lot, financially. The yard itself was labor-intensive.
    b. I determined, because the Lord was putting it in us, that we were not going to let one thing wait that needed attention. And sure enough, what we purposed our faith for, the Lord provided. We never slacked in any area of that house.
    c. We had faith for furniture, and that was a good thing. A neighbor came to greet us after a couple of weeks and said, "Oh, your furniture hasn't arrived yet?" I told her it was coming. We were back to rolling around in the house like a marble in a jar. We believed God and we were sowing seed. We had given away nearly all the furniture we owned, and it was nice furniture.
19. Now this was not God's best. How could being thousands of dollars in debt be His best? Not by far.
    a. Praise God for Psalms 103:11 that says His mercy is toward those who fear Him. I asked the Lord, "What does that really mean?" He said, *If you are looking to honor the Lord, even your mistakes will work out.*
    b. Some may think, *Well, I'll just go ahead and do it and deal with it later. The Lord will fix it.* No. That's not the fear of the Lord. That does not honor His Word. If

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you take that approach you will have more to overcome than debt. It will set you back in so many ways and show up all across your life. Some may never recover because it is self-deception.

20. So, here we were, borrowers again and servants to the lenders. We were subject to people we did not know. Again, we wanted to be debt free, but we didn't see that we *needed* to be debt free.
21. Romans 13:8 says, "Owe no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law." This wasn't a revelation to us yet, but God was faithful to bring us to that point. We had never purposed to be debt free with the kind of intensity that it requires. But that was about to change.
22. Not long after we had moved into our house, change began in George during a 30 Days of Glory meeting. These are his comments:
    a. Sept. 12, 1998, Brother Copeland spent an entire service preaching about staying out of debt and suddenly my eyes were opened.
    b. "What one does today for the sake of tomorrow is called an investment. What one does to enjoy today at the expense of tomorrow is called debt." —Kenneth Copeland
    c. "Borrowing is a replacement covenant—it is going to someone else when you should have gone to God." —Kenneth Copeland
    d. I realized borrowing had become a serious breach of my covenant with God.
    e. Kenneth asked me to do a week of broadcasts with him about being debt free. On one of the broadcasts, Kenneth looked at me and asked, "You got out of debt and then you got back into debt. Why did you do that?" It felt like all of the air left the studio. I remember a camera operator peering around the side of her camera at us as I fumbled, attempting to answer. The Lord had told Brother Copeland to ask me that question. It made me determined and on fire to be debt free.
23. The Lord led the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt. He began to lead us too, and a transformation occurred.
24. A shift took place in us. Our view of debt changed. The Word of God was conforming us to His will.
    a. We drove past the place where we had signed the mortgage papers and without thinking I pointed at it and said, "That is where we committed that awful sin." Now, borrowing was a sin to us. It wasn't before. We didn't have vision for it. But we did now.
25. "The very moment you make the quality decision to live debt free, God sees you debt free. All you need to do now is walk this out by faith, believe God's Word and be obedient to whatever He tells you to do." —Kenneth Copeland
26. I don't know what it would have looked like to have believed God for a house without debt. It would have been good. It would have been better. But the Lord is so kind and so good, He helped us. He walked us into it.
27. When we moved into the house, I had an inner sense that led me to believe we would only live in this house for about three years. It was actually four, but what did happen in three years was the knowing that we were to move back to the area we had lived in for 17 years.
28. During those three years, the Lord ingrained in us a new and higher standard for living.
    a. We were surrounded with quality and beauty.

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b. It took those three years for us to see ourselves in that kind of environment and for that environment to be in us to the degree it could be reproduced someplace else.

29. By now, our purpose in faith was stronger than it had ever been. I had learned so much about being led by the inner witness of the Spirit. We had watched the Lord provide for us, and we were making good progress on getting rid of the debt.
    a. For the next year we set our faith and ALL our efforts to pay it off—and we did!
    b. It took 17 years to pay off the house we eventually sowed, but now, a house that was worth four times as much was paid off in only four years!
    c. The seed of the Word was working in our lives.
30. We were determined to be in God's will, in the perfect house, in the right location and debt free. That determination took us to the Word at a whole new level. And the Word, along with being led by the Spirit, took us to our next home.

E. The Fourth House

1. So, here we were, again needing a place to live. This time we were smarter, and we set time aside to seek the Lord in His Word and His leading.
2. We took three days away to pray about nothing else. We prayed and sought the Lord until the afternoon, and then we enjoyed each other and reflected on our prayer time.
    a. The Lord spoke to us. He gave us three things:
        i. He reassured us that there was a house for us. (Remember, we were moving back to the area where the realtor had told us we had seen every house available.)
        ii. He told us to not be afraid to remodel and to add on. I had struggled with that kind of thing in the past, but the Lord helped me through the decorating process of the house we were in. He told me that the house would have "personality."
        iii. He told us not to put the house we were in on the market until we had found the one we were going to live in.
3. It turned out that a house owned by a relative was for sale—it was a nice house but was not my style. It was only a little over half the size of the one we were living in. It was not what I thought I was looking for, but the Lord spoke.
    a. Two phone calls came. One was from Gloria and she said, "Terri, I think that house is your house." Another call came from a friend who had never been in the house but knew it was for sale. She said the same thing.
    b. Two phone calls were not enough to make me take action, but it was enough to look within. Now, when I looked at the house naturally, it was not what I needed or wanted; but when I turned inward, I found peace. "Let peace…act as umpire" (Colossians 3:15, AMPC).
    c. From that moment, we began a journey that took us step by step through a five-year process of a massive remodel. But it was five years of miracles and blessing. My, what we saw the Lord do. But, the greatest part of it all was the way our walk with Him increased. *That's the heart of what faith is all about—walking with Him.*
4. The difference this time from all the times before was that we were really putting the Word first place. We looked to it for everything—starting with the location. Deuteronomy 12:11 (plus Deuteronomy 12:18 and 16:6, 15) speak of the place that the Lord had chosen to put His Name, for His presence to dwell. He had led us to our place. We

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looked up scriptures about Abraham who was looking for a city whose builder and maker was God (Hebrews 11:10). We confessed those verses and we released faith that we were being led.

5. The first thing He did was give us a plan. We hadn't sold our house yet, so we agreed to buy this house, but we needed the owners to let us "rent" from them until our house was sold. They did and as soon as our house sold, we paid cash for their house. Debt free again!
6. I knew I had to make changes in the house for it to work for us. I needed much more storage, and I wanted other additions, like an office for myself.
    a. We started with an approach to make a few adjustments, but that is not what the Lord wanted. There was a vision the Lord had been working in me for nearly 30 years and it was scratching to get out. I was so agitated. I would start to settle for something because of cost or time, and the scratching inside would not let me do it. This scratching wouldn't let me tolerate things that didn't match the vision God had given me on the inside.
    b. After already working on the remodel for a few months, I become so agitated because I knew things weren't right. I stopped everything and again sought the Lord. We shut down any work for four months. We had expected to be in a rent house during this process for only six months. We would now see that was not going to happen. It was a great time to develop patience.
7. There was a key that really got the whole process moving again. The Lord put it in my heart to honor George. All he had ever expressed a desire for was an office with a view of the water, one that was designed in a New England style. That made sense since he was raised on Cape Cod. While this house is not on the lake, it is across the street from ones that are. I asked the architect what we could do. He put a tall ladder outside the house and climbed up, and discovered that from a second story we could see the lake. But there was no second-story portion of the house that could be George's office. Unbeknown to me, the leading of the Holy Spirit was beginning a domino effect that took us down an amazing path: *Just add on to the master bath a few feet and go up a story.*
    a. The effect of the Holy Spirit was phenomenal. We would pray in the spirit until an answer came, and it always did.
    b. We went from little, to closets galore. When we took out a bookcase that was agitating me, we discovered space enough for a walk-in storage closet and a walk-in cedar closet! We took in the driveway on one side of the house, bumped about 4 feet on the other end and connected the roofline. Little did we know that would give us a third floor! In addition, by connecting the roofline we were able to make way for a new staircase to the second floor and to George's office. As we connected the new section to the old, we discovered an enormous amount of space already under the roofing that simply needed to be finished out. Included was an area that I made our Christmas storage room, large enough for all our Christmas decorations, including our trees, which we are able to leave standing!
    c. One time, the Lord spoke to my heart and said, *Believe Me for a dining room.* That sounded crazy; I had a dining room. But I had learned to be led. The room that was supposed to be a dining room was really too small for our family and through a process of planning and then replanning, I finally realized what was just a big, open room was supposed to be our dining room, and the other room was to be our music room. Oh, the joy of being led.

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8. We had to be willing to listen, to learn, and sometimes redo. That scratching on the inside would not let me shortchange the vision.
9. All along, we were putting the Word first. We focused on the Word on a level we had never done before. We went to the Word for every element—for foundations, sinks, floors, walls, fabrics, light fixtures—and we found some cool ones. George found many of them in 1 Kings 6 and 7.* We discovered that God loves house design! We made confession cards and were speaking the scriptures, believing and receiving His perfect design for our house. Once we had stripped the existing sheetrock and reframed walls the way we wanted, we invited friends to write confessions from scripture on the studs that pertained to the rooms they were going in.** The Word became doorknobs, paint, light fixtures and everything we needed!
    a. The testimony about our light fixtures was outstanding. Our decorator found a tent sale with designer light fixtures, including chandeliers and even a Waterford-crystal sconce. We paid about 10 cents on the dollar.
    b. Things like that were happening all the time. Money was coming in from unexpected sources. It was truly miraculous.
10. Even though the actual add-on foot-print was small, we more than doubled the square footage of the house.
11. What an amazing journey it was, and still is.

F. Your Journey

1. Your journey involves a stand of faith. There is a home for you. There is debt freedom for you. The same Word that produced a vision for us, house by house, will produce for you.
2. Sometimes the journey is as important as the destination, if the journey is a walk with the Lord and not just a desire for "stuff." Walk with the Lord and "stuff" will follow.
3. As you walk out the Word of God and walk in His precepts and His way of doing things, you will prosper. Through faith and patience you will obtain the promises.

***Pastor George's House Scriptures from 1 Kings 6-7, NIV**

The temple that King Solomon built for the LORD was sixty cubits long, twenty wide and thirty high. The portico at the front of the main hall of the temple extended the width of the temple, that is twenty cubits, and projected ten cubits from the front of the temple. He made narrow windows high up in the temple walls. Against the walls of the main hall and inner sanctuary he built a structure around the building, in which there were side rooms. The lowest floor was five cubits wide, the middle floor six cubits and the third floor seven. He made offset ledges around the outside of the temple so that nothing would be inserted into the temple walls (6:2-6).

On the walls all around the temple, in both the inner and outer rooms, he carved cherubim, palm trees and open flowers. He also covered the floors of both the inner and outer rooms of the temple with gold (6:29-30).

All these structures, from the outside to the great courtyard and from foundation to eaves, were made of blocks of high-grade stone cut to size and smoothed on their inner and outer faces. The foundations were laid with large stones of good quality, some measuring ten cubits and some eight. Above were high-grade stones, cut to size, and cedar beams (7:9-11).

He then made ten bronze basins, each holding forty baths and measuring four cubits across, one basin to go on each of the ten stands. He placed five of the stands on the south side of the

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temple and five on the north. He placed the Sea on the south side, at the southeast corner of the temple. He also made the pots and shovels and sprinkling bowls…. (7:38-40).

****Scriptures Friends Wrote on Our House (paraphrased)**

There, of course, were many others. But the search for God's Word to YOU is, perhaps, the richest part of the journey. The Holy Spirit knows how to lead you. Armed with that knowledge and a good concordance you will discover an endless treasure of scriptures coming to life for you.

Front Entry:

Song of Solomon 2:4: "His banner over me is love."
Psalm 37:23: "The steps of a good man are ordered of the Lord."

For the Kitchen:

Deuteronomy 28:5: "Blessed shall be your basket and your kneading bowl."
Ecclesiastes 9:7: "Go your way, eat your bread with joy."
Psalm 103:5: "He satisfies your mouth with good things."

Behind the Refrigerator:

Romans 12:21: "Do not let yourselves be overcome by evil." (A personal favorite!)

Windows:

Ecclesiastes 11:7: "Truly the light is sweet and a pleasant thing it is for the eyes to behold."

By the Electrical Power Box:

Acts 1:8: "You shall receive power."
Matthew 5:14: "You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid."

Pastor's Study:

Proverbs 14:33: "Wisdom is at home in the mind of one who has understanding."
Psalm 5:3: "My voice shall You hear in the morning."
Psalm 119:68: "Teach me thy statues."

Bedroom:

Psalm 4:8: "I will both lay me down in peace and sleep for thou, Lord, only makest me dwell in safety."

Children's Room:

Isaiah 54:13: "Your children shall be disciples taught of the Lord and obedient to His will and great shall be the peace and undisturbed composure of your children."

Heirs of God

Heirs to a Fortune

Day #131

A. Galatians 3:13-14, 29—"Receive Your Inheritance!" by Gloria Copeland

1. "Have you ever been invited to an attorney's office for the reading of a will? I haven't. Where I come from, there was never enough money left for the relatives to fight over when someone died. Most of the people I knew didn't leave wills—they left bills.
2. "But, glory to God, that's not the case anymore. I became heir to a fortune, more than 40 years ago in Little Rock, Ark., when I gave my life to Jesus. At that moment I was born again into the richest family ever known. I was born into the royal family that owns and operates the universe. I received an inheritance so vast it will take me all of eternity to fully comprehend it.
3. "Some people get excited about tracing their natural family history. They like to know if they have great people in their family tree because it makes them feel they've come from good stock. You and I ought to be that way about our heritage as believers. Our ancestors are the greatest men and women who ever walked the face of the earth. We can trace our lineage back to Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, King David...all the way to Jesus. Think about that! Those are our forefathers.
4. "'Now wait a minute,' you might say. 'Those are Jewish men. They lived in Canaan and Israel. You're an American from Arkansas! You're not part of that family.' Well, not physically. But spiritually, according to the Bible, yes I am. And if you've made Jesus Christ the Lord of your life, you are too."
5. Galatians 3:13-14, 29 says, "Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree: That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith. And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise."
    a. Verse 29 (AMPC): "And if you belong to Christ [are in Him Who is Abraham's Seed], then you are Abraham's offspring and [spiritual] heirs according to promise."
    b. Verse 29 (NLT): "And now that you belong to Christ, you are the true children of Abraham. You are his heirs, and God's promise to Abraham belongs to you."
    c. Verse 29 (MSG): "Since you are Christ's family, then you are Abraham's famous 'descendant,' heirs according to the covenant promises."

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B. "I became heir to a fortune...when I gave my life to Jesus."

1. All that belongs to the Father became ours when we were born again.
2. We became heirs of God—children of the King with the right to partake of our full inheritance.
3. Many don't realize they are heirs.
4. They are ignorant of all that belongs to them in their inheritance.
    a. Article headline from the December 30, 2012, issue of London's *Daily Mail* newspaper.
    b. "Homeless man who didn't know he was a millionaire is found dead before he could be told about his fortune: Body of 'Heir' to $300,000,000 discovered frozen under railway bridge."
5. Others don't know how to take their inheritance.

C. The Purpose of This Study

1. To renew our minds and see ourselves as heirs of God
2. To discover what is included in our inheritance
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2. *Heir* (GK) = one who receives an inheritance by right of birth
3. Proverbs 13:22: "A good man leaveth an inheritance to his children's children.
   a. Jesse Duplantis' daughter and granddaughter will be taken care of for the rest of their lives simply by right of birth.
   b. My sister and I became heirs to our parents' estate simply by right of birth.
   c. Justus, Eiley, Kayelin and Jessie became heirs to the George and Terri Pearsons' estate simply by right of birth.
4. Long before he died, John D. Rockefeller Sr. began giving the Rockefeller estate to his son simply by right of birth.
   a. "Dear Son, I am giving you 166,072 shares of the stock of the Standard Oil Company."
   b. "Dear Son, I am giving you $20,688,000 par value in bonds."
   c. "Dear Son, I am giving you a check for $500,000. It will be available for use next Monday."
   d. "By the early 1920s, John D. Rockefeller Sr. had turned over close to half a billion dollars to his son, and with it, the stewardship of his great fortune."
   e. "I am indeed blessed beyond measure to have a son I can trust to do this work. With tenderest affection, Father."
5. Prince George became heir to the throne simply by right of royal birth.

C. 1 Peter 1:3-4—We Are Heirs by Birth

1. "I was born into *the* royal family that owns and operates the universe." —Gloria Copeland, "Receive Your Inheritance!"

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2. "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you."
3. AMPC: "Born anew into an inheritance which is beyond the reach of change."
4. NIV: "He has given us new birth...into an inheritance."
5. In Christ Jesus, we are heirs to the vast fortune of our loving heavenly Father simply by being born into *the* royal family.

We need to develop a mind-set that we are heirs of God and heirs to God's fortune.
—Pastor George Pearsons

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Heirs of God

Joint Heirs With Jesus

Day #133

A. Galatians 4:6-7—We Are Heirs of God

1. "And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father. Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ."
2. "I became heir to a fortune more than 40 years ago in Little Rock, Ark., when I gave my life to Jesus. At that moment, I was born again into the richest family ever known. I was born into the royal family that owns and operates the universe. I received an inheritance so vast it will take me all of eternity to fully comprehend it." —Gloria Copeland, "Receive Your Inheritance!"
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4. We have been born again into *the* royal family as heirs to our Father's kingdom.
5. 1 Peter 1:3-4—We are heirs by birth.
    a. ESV: "He has caused us to be born again...to an inheritance."
    b. ESV: "An inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you."

B. Romans 8:14-17—We Are Joint Heirs With Jesus

1. *Joint heir* (GK) = one who is in union together with an inheritor
    a. Terri and I were joint heirs to my parents' estate.
    b. We both received everything because we are one together.
2. Verse 17 (AMPC): "And if we are [His] children, then we are [His] heirs also: heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ [sharing His inheritance with Him]."
3. NLT: "Together with Christ, we are heirs of God's glory."
4. Ephesians 2:6-7 (AMPC): "He raised us up together with Him and made us sit down together [giving us joint seating with Him] in the heavenly sphere [by virtue of our being] in Christ Jesus. He did this that He might clearly demonstrate through the ages to come the immeasurable (limitless, surpassing) riches of His free grace (His unmerited favor) in [His] kindness and goodness of heart toward us in Christ Jesus."
5. His inheritance is immeasurable, limitless and surpassing.

C. Hebrews 1:1-2—Heir of All Things

1. "God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed *heir of all things,* by whom also he made the worlds."

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   a. Verse 2 (AMPC): "Whom He appointed Heir and lawful Owner of all things."
   b. NLT: "God promised everything to the Son as an inheritance."
2. Romans 8:29 (NLT): "For God knew his people in advance, and he chose them to become like his Son, so that his Son would be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters."
3. Colossians 1:18 (NIV): "And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead."
4. If Jesus is heir of all things, and we are joint heirs with Him, that makes us heirs of all things as well.
5. We have inherited everything that Jesus inherited.

When you were born again, Jesus moved in with everything He has.
—Gloria Copeland

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Heirs of *Everything*

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A. Galatians 4:6-7—We Are Heirs of God

1. "And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying, Abba, Father. Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son; and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ."
2. "I became heir to a fortune more than 40 years ago in Little Rock, Ark., when I gave my life to Jesus. At that moment, I was born again into the richest family ever known. I was born into the royal family that owns and operates the universe. I received an inheritance so vast it will take me all of eternity to fully comprehend it." —Gloria Copeland, "Receive Your Inheritance!"
3. *Heir* (GK) = one who receives an inheritance by right of birth
4. We have been born again into *the* royal family as heirs to our Father's kingdom.
5. 1 Peter 1:3-4—We are heirs by birth.

B. Romans 8:14-17—We Are Joint Heirs With Jesus

1. *Joint heir* (GK) = in union together with an inheritor
2. NLT: "Together with Christ, we are heirs of God's glory."
3. Ephesians 2:6-7 (AMPC): "He raised us up together with Him and made us sit down together [giving us joint seating with Him] in the heavenly sphere [by virtue of our being] in Christ Jesus (the Messiah, the Anointed One). He did this that He might clearly demonstrate through the ages to come the immeasurable (limitless, surpassing) riches of His free grace (His unmerited favor) in [His] kindness and goodness of heart toward us in Christ Jesus."
4. Hebrews 1:1-2: "God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed *heir of all things,* by whom also he made the worlds."
5. If Jesus is heir of all things and we are joint heirs with Jesus, we must be heirs of all things as well.

C. Galatians 4:7—We Are Heirs of *Everything*

1. NLT-96: "Since you are his child, *everything* he has belongs to you."
2. MSG: "If you are a child, you're also an heir, with complete access to the inheritance."
3. The inheritance is the full scope of God's provision that encompasses everything—spirit, soul, body, financially, socially.

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4. Ephesians 1:3 (NLT): "All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms because we are united with Christ."
5. 2 Peter 1:3-4 (AMPC): "For His divine power has bestowed upon us *all things* that [are requisite and suited] to life and godliness, through the [full, personal] knowledge of Him Who called us by and to His own glory and excellence (virtue). By means of these He has bestowed on us His precious and exceedingly great promises, so that through them you may escape [by flight] from the moral decay (rottenness and corruption) that is in the world because of covetousness (lust and greed), and become sharers (partakers) of the divine nature."
    a. *Bequeath* = to give or leave by will—used especially of property
    b. Verse 3 (NIV): "His divine power has given us *everything* we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.
    c. Our inheritance as heirs of God includes *everything* we would ever need.
6. Revelation 21:7: "He who overcometh shall inherit *all things;* and I will be his God, and he shall be my son."
7. Psalm 103:1-5 (NKJV): "Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, *bless* His holy name! Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits: who forgives all your iniquities, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from destruction, who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies, who satisfies your mouth with *good things,* so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's."

I am expecting my greatest blessing, ever—today—because great grace is upon us all.
—Pastor George Pearsons

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Heirs of God

Heirs of Everything *Now*

Day #135

A. Our Week in Review

1. "I became heir to a fortune more than 40 years ago in Little Rock, Ark., when I gave my life to Jesus. At that moment, I was born again into the richest family ever known. I was born into the royal family that owns and operates the universe. I received an inheritance so vast it will take me all of eternity to fully comprehend it." —Gloria Copeland, "Receive Your Inheritance!"
2. The purpose of our study
   a. To renew our minds and see ourselves as heirs of God
   b. To discover what is included in our inheritance
   c. To learn how to take our inheritance
3. Galatians 4:4-7—We are heirs of God.
4. 1 Peter 1:3-4—We are heirs by birth.
5. Romans 8:14-17—We are joint heirs with Jesus.
6. Galatians 4:7 (NLT)—We are heirs of everything.
7. When can we access our inheritance?

B. Colossians 1:12-13—We Are Heirs of Everything *Now*

1. "Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light: who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son."
2. *Meet* (GK) = to enable, qualify, make able, to equip
3. Verse 12 (AMPC): "Who has qualified us and made us fit to share the portion which is the inheritance of the saints."
4. We don't have to wait for heaven to claim our full inheritance.
5. Our full inheritance belongs to us *now!*

C. Our Inheritance Belongs to Us *Now*

1. Acts 20:32: "And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to *give you an inheritance* among all them which are sanctified."
   a. The Word builds you up and gives you your inheritance.
   b. AMPC—Your rightful inheritance
   c. ESV—The inheritance

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2. Galatians 4:7 (MSG): "If you are a child, you're also an heir, with complete access to the inheritance."
3. Ephesians 1:11: "…In whom also *we have obtained* an inheritance."
    a. NLT: "Because we are united with Christ, we have received an inheritance from God."
4. Ephesians 1:18 (AMPC): "…Know…how rich is His glorious inheritance in the saints."
    a. NLT-96: "I want you to realize what a rich and glorious inheritance *he has given* to his people."
5. 1 Peter 1:3-4: "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you."
    a. Verse 4 (NIV): "Into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you."
    b. NLT: "*We have a priceless inheritance*—an inheritance that is kept in heaven for you, pure and undefiled, beyond the reach of change and decay."
    c. Everything Jesus paid for as a result of His death, burial and resurrection is available to us *now!*

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Heirs of God

Heirs According to the Promise

Day #136

A. Review of Last Week

1. "I became heir to a fortune more than 40 years ago in Little Rock, Ark., when I gave my life to Jesus. At that moment, I was born again into the richest family ever known. I was born into the royal family that owns and operates the universe. I received an inheritance so vast it will take me all of eternity to fully comprehend it." —Gloria Copeland, "Receive Your Inheritance!"
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5. Romans 8:14-17—We are joint heirs with Jesus.
6. Galatians 4:7 (NLT-96)—Since you are His child, *everything* He has belongs to you.
7. Colossians 1:12-13—We are heirs of everything now.

B. Galatians 3:29—We Are Heirs According to the Promise

1. "And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise."
   a. MSG: "Also, since you are Christ's family, then you are Abraham's famous 'descendant,' heirs according to the covenant promises."
   b. AMPC: "And if you belong to Christ [are in Him Who is Abraham's Seed], then you are Abraham's offspring and [spiritual] heirs according to promise."
   c. NLT: "And now that you belong to Christ, you are the true children of Abraham. You are his heirs, and God's promise to Abraham belongs to you."
2. "As a Christian, you are the seed of Abraham! What does that mean? It means everything God promised him belongs to you. It has been passed down to you through Jesus. Abraham's blessing is your inheritance! It has been willed to you by the Word of God.
3. "So let's read the will today. Let's look in the Bible and find out how God treated Abraham, because that's how God has promised to treat us." —Gloria Copeland, "Receive Your Inheritance!"

C. Genesis 12:2-3—What Did God Promise Abraham?

1. AMPC: "And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you [with abundant increase of favors] and make your name famous and distinguished, and you will be a

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blessing [dispensing good to others]. And I will bless those who bless you [who confer prosperity or happiness upon you] and curse him who curses or uses insolent language toward you; in you will all the families and kindred of the earth be blessed [and by you they will bless themselves]."

a. "To fully grasp what God was saying here, you must realize when He blesses someone, He is not just telling them to have a good day. He is conferring upon them the power to increase and prosper in every area of life.
b. "In fact, according to W.E. Vine and Webster's dictionary, the true definition of *bless* is 'to cause to prosper, to make happy, to bestow favor upon, to consecrate to holy purposes, to make successful, to make prosperous in temporal concerns pertaining to this life, to guard and preserve.
c. "It was actually the blessing of God that made Abraham rich! It caused him to prosper wherever he went." —Gloria Copeland, "Receive Your Inheritance!"
d. Genesis 1:28: "And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth."
e. Proverbs 10:22: "The blessing of the Lord, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it."

2. Genesis 13:2 (AMPC): "Now Abram was *extremely rich* in livestock and in silver and in gold."
3. Genesis 13:6 (AMPC): "Now the land was not able to nourish and support them so they could dwell together, for *their possessions were too great* for them to live together."
4. Genesis 15:1 (AMPC): "After these things, the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram, I am your Shield, *your abundant compensation,* and your reward shall be exceedingly great."

a. "Years ago, when Ken and I first started to walk with the Lord, we were facing debts and problems that seemed overwhelming.
b. "So, I took that promise from God to Abraham and put my name in it. I read it like this: *Fear not, Gloria. God is your shield, your abundant compensation, and your reward shall be exceedingly great!*
c. "I decided that since I was an heir of Abraham, those words were just as true for me as they were for him. And sure enough, they have been.
d. "In the years since, God has protected me and rewarded me beyond anything I could ask or think. He has been as faithful to me as He was to Abraham!" —Gloria Copeland, "Receive Your Inheritance!"

5. Deuteronomy 28:1-14—The blessing of Abraham is our inheritance.

a. The blessing of Abraham "will enable you to prosper no matter what's happening around you. It will cause you to increase in the midst of recessions, depressions and every other kind of economic calamity the devil can dream up.
b. "If you're the seed of Abraham, you shouldn't even worry about such things. They don't have to affect you. You're not dependent on the economic cycles of this natural realm. You're not dependent on what the Federal Reserve does.
c. "You are dependent on your covenant with Almighty God—and that never changes! He never alters the Word that comes out of His mouth and He has said you are *blessed!*" —Gloria Copeland, "Receive Your Inheritance!"

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Heirs of God

Know Your Inheritance: Old Testament Scriptures

Day #137

The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints.
Ephesians 1:18

1. 1 Samuel 2:8—The Throne of Glory

A. NKJV: "He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the beggar from the ash heap, to set them among princes and make them inherit the throne of glory. For the pillars of the earth are the Lord's, and He has set the world upon them."
   i. *Glory*—The presence of God heavy with everything good
   ii. NIV—A throne of honor

B. Proverbs 3:35 (NKJV): "The wise shall inherit glory."

C. Romans 8:17 (NLT): "And since we are his children, we are his heirs. In fact, together with Christ we are heirs of God's glory."

2. Psalm 2:8—The Nations

A. AMPC: "Ask of Me, and I will give You the nations as Your inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth as Your possession."

B. "Genesis 41 tells us Abraham's great-grandson Joseph started out as a slave in the ungodly nation of Egypt. But because he was the seed of Abraham, he ended up saving the nation from being destroyed by famine. Not only that, he became the most powerful man in the nation next to Pharaoh himself. The entire country was blessed because of Joseph and his covenant with God!" —Gloria Copeland, "Receive Your Inheritance!"

3. Psalm 16:5—The Lord

A. NLT: "Lord, you alone are my inheritance, my cup of blessing. You guard all that is mine."

B. The Lord Himself is our inheritance—everything He is, everything He has and everything He can do.

4. Psalm 25:13—The Earth

A. NKJV: "He himself shall dwell in prosperity, and his descendants shall inherit the earth."

B. Psalm 37:11 (NKJV): "But the meek shall inherit the earth, and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace."

C. Matthew 5:5 (NKJV): "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth."

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5. Psalm 37:29—The Land

A. NKJV: "The righteous shall inherit the land, and dwell in it forever."

B. Joshua 1:6 (NIV-84): "Be strong and courageous, because you will lead these people to inherit the land I swore to their forefathers to give them."

C. Psalm 16:6 (NLT): "The land you have given me is a pleasant land. What a wonderful inheritance!"

6. Proverbs 8:17-21—Wealth

A. Verse 21 (NLT): "Those who love me inherit wealth. I will fill their treasuries."

B. Verses 20-21 (NIV): "I walk in the way of righteousness, along the paths of justice, bestowing wealth on those who love me and making their treasuries full."

C. Verse 21 (AMPC): "That I may cause those who love me to inherit [true] riches and that I may fill their treasuries."

7. Isaiah 54:17—Protection

A. "No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the Lord, and their righteousness is of me, saith the Lord."

B. *Heritage* (HEB) = inheritance

C. GW: "'No weapon that has been made to be used against you will succeed. You will have an answer for anyone who accuses you. This is the inheritance of the Lord's servants. Their victory comes from me,' declares The Lord."

D. Psalm 118:14 (NLT-96): "The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my victory."

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Know Your Inheritance: New Testament Scriptures

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Ephesians 1:18

1. Matthew 25:34—The Kingdom

A. NIV: "Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, *the kingdom prepared for you* since the creation of the world.'"

B. AMPC: "Inherit (receive as your own) the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world."

C. Romans 14:17: "For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost."

D. See *10 Days of Kingdom Prosperity BVOV* broadcasts and outlines (Days 51-60) at kcm.org for an in-depth study of all that is available in God's kingdom.

2. Romans 4:13—The World

A. ESV: "For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith."

B. *World* (GK) = KOSMOS

i. The arrangement, order, government
ii. The adornment, decoration, arrangement of the stars
iii. The inhabitants of the earth; the human family
iv. The ungodly multitude, the whole mass of men alienated from God and therefore hostile to the cause of Christ
v. World affairs
vi. The whole circle of earthly goods, endowment of riches, advantages, pleasures

3. Titus 3:6-7—Eternal Life

A. NLT: "He generously poured out the Spirit upon us through Jesus Christ our Savior. Because of his grace he declared us righteous and gave us confidence that we will inherit eternal life."

B. Both quantity and quality of life

i. Eternal life with Jesus
ii. The quality of life we live here on earth

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4. Hebrews 1:4—The Name of Jesus

A. "Being made so much better than the angels, as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they."

B. Philippians 2:9-11: "Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

C. Mark 16:17-18: "And these signs shall follow them that believe; *In my name* shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover."

5. Hebrews 1:14—Salvation

A. "Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?"

B. *Salvation* (GK) = SOTERIA

i. Deliverance
ii. Preservation
iii. Safety
iv. Health
v. Save, rescue
vi. God delivers believers out of destruction into His safety.
vii. Prosperity

C. Hebrews 5:9 (NIV): "[Jesus] became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him."

6. Hebrews 6:12—The Promises of God

A. "That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises."

B. 2 Peter 1:4: "Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust."

C. Acts 20:32: "And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified."

7. Revelation 21:6-7—All Things

A. Verse 7 (NKJV): "He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son."

B. Verses 6-7 (NIV-84): "To him who is thirsty I will give to drink without cost from the spring of the water of life. He who overcomes will inherit all this, and I will be his God and he will be my son."

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Heirs of God

Your *Full* Inheritance

Day #139

A. Galatians 4:7—We Are Heirs of *Everything*

1. NLT-96: "Since you are his child, *everything* he has belongs to you."
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    a. Our inheritance as heirs of God includes *everything* we need.
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B. Psalm 23—Take It All

1. Verse 5: "Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies."
2. Sometimes God has a hard time getting His kids to the table.
3. Mark 11:22-24: "Have faith in God…."
    a. Verse 24: "Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them."
    b. *Receive* (GK) = TAKE
    c. Take it when you pray it.

C. Joshua 18:1-3—Don't Leave Anything on the Table

1. "And the whole congregation of the children of Israel assembled together at Shiloh, and set up the tabernacle of the congregation there. And the land was subdued before them. And there remained among the children of Israel seven tribes, which had not yet received their inheritance. And Joshua said unto the children of Israel, How long are ye slack to go to possess the land, which the Lord God of your fathers hath given you?"
2. Verse 1: "The land" had already been conquered.
    a. Their full inheritance was available to them.
    b. It included all of their covenant benefits.
3. Verse 2—Seven tribes had not yet taken their inheritance.

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4. Verse 3—*Slack* (HEB) = lazy, slow to move
5. MSG: "How long are you going to sit around on your hands, putting off taking possession of the land that God…has given you?"

D. "I Have a Great Storehouse"

Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, Washington, D.C. Victory Campaign, November 10, 2011

1. "I have a great storehouse. Much more has been stored up in the storehouse of riches beyond your wildest dream that I laid up for you before the foundation of the world. Much more is stored up there than what the Church has ever called for.
2. "I never have held back on the Church, saith The LORD and the God of plenty. I've made it available to you. I put it in My WORD. I gave you promise and stood behind it with the blood—the precious blood of your Savior.
3. "But there has been a backwardness in My people about laying hold of the things that I have provided for you.
4. "But I will say this: There is a people in the land. There is a people around the world. There is a people strong and mighty, growing much stronger and much mightier and more bold to lay hold and put their claim of faith on the things that I have laid up for you.
5. "And it thrills me, saith The LORD, because it's been yours all the time."
6. See *10 Days of Prosperity BVOV* broadcasts and outlines (Days 71-74), *God's Great Storehouse—Parts 1-4,* at kcm.org for an in-depth study of this topic.

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Heirs of God

How Do We Take Our Inheritance?

Day #140

A. Our Two Weeks in Review

1. "I became heir to a fortune more than 40 years ago in Little Rock, Ark., when I gave my life to Jesus. At that moment, I was born again into the richest family ever known. I was born into the royal family that owns and operates the universe. I received an inheritance so vast it will take me all of eternity to fully comprehend it." —Gloria Copeland, "Receive Your Inheritance!"
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C. Hebrews 11:33-34—How Do We Take Our Inheritance?

1. We boldly claim it by faith.
2. Verse 33 (NLT): *"By faith* these people overthrew kingdoms, ruled with justice, and *received what God had promised them."*
3. Verse 33 (MSG): "Through acts of faith, they...took the promises for themselves."
4. Hebrews 6:12: "[Be] followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises."
5. Romans 4:17—Faith calls in the inheritance.
    a. *Call* (GK) KALEO = summons
    b. Order, edict, command
    c. "You are hereby summoned to appear."
    d. "If you don't *take it* when you pray, you haven't prayed boldly [in faith]." —Gloria Copeland

D. Our Confession as Heirs of God

I am a child of the King.

I became heir to His fortune when I was born again.

I am an heir of God and a joint heir with Jesus.

Everything He has belongs to me.

It is included in my inheritance.

I take all by faith in Jesus' Name!

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How to Reap Your Harvest

The Missing Link

Day #141

A. Matthew 9:37—The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few.

1. MSG: "'What a huge harvest!' he said to his disciples. 'How few workers!'"
2. On Sept. 28, 1999, Keith Moore said concerning EMIC's giving:
   God's heart is grieved. It is bothering God that we are not reaping. Some are disillusioned and aggravated with God. "How much more can I give?" You think you are waiting on God. You think reaping is automatic. You think once you put the money in, it's all up to Him. You just sit back and relax and think it's all going to just come on you. That is ignorance and confusion. I challenge you to hear the word of the Lord and make up your mind and say, "I am not just a good giver. I am a good reaper. I am going to get real good at reaping."
3. It would be wrong for a farmer to leave a harvest standing in the field.
   a. Pop's peaches
   b. "If you want to taste it, you have to harvest it." —Gloria Copeland
   c. The same principle applies to us.
4. It is time for us to get up, get out to our fields and reap our harvests.
   a. "When harvest time comes, you'd better call it in!" —Gloria Copeland
5. Jeremiah 17:7-8 (MSG): "But blessed is the man who trusts me, God, the woman who sticks with God. They're like trees replanted in Eden, putting down roots near the rivers—never a worry through the hottest of summers, never dropping a leaf, serene and calm through droughts, bearing fresh fruit every season."
   a. "Once you harvest, it's not seasonal—it's continual." —Gloria Copeland

B. Reaping: The Missing Link to Increase

1. My immediate challenge to the church:
   a. We are not just good givers.
   b. We are good reapers.
   c. We are going to "get real good at reaping."
2. I studied Keith Moore's series *Rules of Reaping.*
3. I conducted a three-day seminar at church.
4. We called in the harvest every time we sowed.
5. Result: We have become much better reapers.

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C. Psalm 107:36-37—It Is Time to Reap Our Harvest!

1. NLT-96: "He brings the hungry to settle there and build their cities. They sow their fields, plant their vineyards, and harvest their bumper crops."
2. MSG: "[He] brought in the hungry and settled them there; they moved in—what a great place to live! They sowed the fields, they planted vineyards, they reaped a bountiful harvest."
3. THEY sowed—THEY planted—THEY reaped.
    a. "You pick it, you pack it, you ship it." —Gloria Copeland
4. Verse 38 (MSG): "He blessed them and they prospered greatly; their herds of cattle never decreased."
5. Goal of this series: We are going to "get real good at reaping"!

If you haven't thought of yourself as a harvester before now, start thinking of yourself that way. Renew your mind to the truth of God's Word. Dare to believe the Lord of the Harvest is calling you—yes, you!—to help Him bring in His end-time crops. He's speaking to you and saying, Until now, you've known Me as the Lord over your seed. You've known Me as your bread provider. But I want you to know Me now as Lord and Minister of the harvest.

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How to Reap Your Harvest

Created to Harvest

Day #142

A. Matthew 9:37—The harvest truly is plenteous, but the laborers are few.

1. On September 28, 1999, Keith Moore said concerning EMIC's giving:
   God's heart is grieved. It is bothering God that we are not reaping. Some are disillusioned and aggravated with God. "How much more can I give?" You think you are waiting on God. You think reaping is automatic. You think once you put the money in, it's all up to Him. You just sit back and relax and think it's all going to just come on you. That is ignorance and confusion. I challenge you to hear the word of the Lord and make up your mind and say, "I am not just a good giver. I am a good reaper. I am going to get real good at reaping."
2. The principle of reaping was the missing link to our increase.
3. I immersed myself in Keith Moore's *Rules of Reaping* series.
4. I conducted a three-day seminar at church.
5. Result: We have become much better reapers.

B. We Were Created by God to Reap the Harvest

1. Reaping is not a new concept—it is the primary element of THE BLESSING.
2. Genesis 1:28: "And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply…."
   a. "Anytime is sowing time." —Gloria Copeland
3. Genesis 1:29 (NLT): "Then God said, 'Look! I have given you every seed-bearing plant throughout the earth and all the fruit trees for your food.'"
   a. There is a harvest attached to every seed.
4. Genesis 2:8-9 (MSG): "Then God planted a garden in Eden, in the east. He put the Man he had just made in it. God made all kinds of trees grow from the ground, trees beautiful to look at and good to eat."
5. Genesis 2:15-16 (NIV): "The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. And the Lord God commanded the man, 'You are free to eat from any tree in the garden.'"
   a. "We still have a harvesting gene. It's in our DNA." —Gloria Copeland
   b. There is a difference between natural harvest and spiritual harvest. The spiritual harvest does not rot (spoil)—it is still out there waiting to be harvested.

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C. Genesis 8:22—The Law of Seedtime and Harvest

1. NLT: "As long as the earth remains, there will be planting and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night."
    a. *Harvest* (HEB) = the process of harvesting; what is reaped
2. Matthew 6:24-26—We are better than birds because we were created by God to sow and reap.
    a. Birds don't sow—but we do.
    b. Birds don't reap—but we do.
    c. Birds don't gather into barns—but we do.
3. Proverbs 3:9-10: "Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase: so shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine."

That's the way we, as seed-sowing believers, ought to be today. We should have our "reaping" faith in gear and our minds on the harvest. That's a switch for a lot of us because until now, we've focused our faith primarily on planting. We've concentrated on God's promise to provide seed to the sower and bread to the eater. Thank God for such bread-receiving, seed-sowing faith! It's wonderful. It's opened the door for God to meet our needs and give us enough to invest in the work of His kingdom. But that's not all God wants to do for us. He didn't just promise to give us food to eat and seed to sow, He promised to multiply that seed and give us a harvest.

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How to Reap Your Harvest

Rules of Reaping

Day #143

A. Proverbs 10:5—Reaping Is Not Automatic

1. TLB: "A wise youth makes hay while the sun shines, but what a shame to see a lad who sleeps away his hour of opportunity."
   a. *Opportunity* and *reaping* are synonymous.
2. MSG: "Go fishing during harvest—that's stupid."
3. Harvesting takes effort on our part.
   a. We must not sleep through our harvest.
      i. "You can't sleep and harvest at the same time." —Gloria Copeland
   b. We must not allow our harvest to stand in the field.
4. Proverbs 6:6-8 (MSG): "You lazy fool, look at an ant. Watch it closely; let it teach you a thing or two. Nobody has to tell it what to do. All summer it stores up food; at harvest it stockpiles provisions."
5. Galatians 6:7: "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall HE also reap."
   a. "A man decides his harvest by the kind of seed he sows. Exact seed is exact harvest." —Gloria Copeland
   b. "We reap with our words." —Gloria Copeland

B. Mark 4:26-29—Reaping Is Our Responsibility

1. Verse 29 (MSG): "When the grain is fully formed, he reaps––harvest time!"
2. Who did the sowing? The man.
3. Who did the growing? God.
4. Who reaped the harvest? The man.
5. "Jesus compared the kingdom of God with the planting of seed and reaping the harvest. It's a simple concept. One all of us understand. Why, then, aren't all of us producing bumper crops every season? Because we are sitting around waiting for God to do all the work." —Kenneth Copeland, *From Faith to Faith*
   a. The harvest doesn't jump from the field to the barn.
   b. We have to go get it.

C. Ecclesiastes 11:4—Reaping Requires Faith

1. AMPC: "He who observes the wind [and waits for all conditions to be favorable] will not sow, and he who regards the clouds will not reap."

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2. NLT: "Farmers who wait for perfect weather never plant. If they watch every cloud, they never harvest."
3. People who continually look at negative conditions become discouraged and will fail to sow and reap.
4. Galatians 6:9 (MSG): "So let's not allow ourselves to get fatigued doing good. At the right time we will harvest a good crop if we don't give up, or quit."
5. Genesis 26:12 (NIV): "Isaac planted crops in that land and the same year reaped a hundredfold, because the Lord blessed him."
    a. We continually harvest—even during the toughest times.
    b. Jeremiah 17:7-8 (NLT): "But blessed are those who trust in the Lord and have made the Lord their hope and confidence. They are like trees planted along a riverbank, with roots that reach deep into the water. Such trees are not bothered by the heat or worried by long months of drought. Their leaves stay green, and they never stop producing fruit."

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How to Reap Your Harvest

Tithing and Reaping

Day #144

A. Proverbs 3:9-10—A Successful Harvester Tithes

1. NKJV: "Honor the Lord with your possessions, and with the firstfruits of all your increase; so your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will overflow with new wine."
2. Tithing is not sowing.
   a. Tithing is returning to the Lord what is His.
   b. It is returning to the Lord the firstfruits of your increase.
   c. The tithe belongs to Him.
3. Tithing is honoring God with His 10 percent.
4. Leviticus 27:30 (NKJV): "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 to the Lord."
5. People don't reap because they don't tithe.
   a. "When you tithe, you're bringing God into your deal."—Gloria Copeland

B. Malachi 3:10-11—Tithing Protects Our Harvest

1. Tithing is the key to your seed being blessed.
   a. "When you tithe, you bring God into your deal."—Gloria Copeland
2. Verse 10—He opens the windows of heaven and sends the rain on the seed that you have sown.
3. Verse 11: "And I will rebuke the devourer (seed eaters, crop-destroying pests) for your sakes, and he shall not destroy (corrupt, spoil or ruin) the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field."
4. Verse 11 (NIV-84): "'I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not cast their fruit,' says the Lord Almighty."
5. Verse 11 (NLT): "'Your crops will be abundant, for I will guard them from insects and disease. Your grapes will not fall from the vine before they are ripe,' says the Lord of Heaven's Armies."

C. A Farmer's Experiment in Tithing

From a book written in 1940 by a farmer named Perry Hayden

Perry Hayden heard his pastor preach a message about tithing. He decided to try an experiment to see how much harvest a seed would produce.

His plan was to sow 1 cubic inch of wheat—360 kernels. He committed to the Lord that, for a period of six years, he would tithe 10 percent of the harvest and sow the rest.

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In the first year, it took a 4-foot by 8-foot plot of land to sow 1 cubic inch of seed. At harvest time, he scraped the ground to get every kernel of wheat. Every precious seed counted. The first year produced a fiftyfold harvest.

He tithed 10 percent.

In the second year, it took a 24-foot by 60-foot plot of land to sow the seed from the harvest of the first year. He tithed 10 percent.

In the third year, it took three-quarters of an acre to sow. He tithed 10 percent.

In the fourth year, it took 14 acres to sow. He tithed 10 percent.

In the fifth year, it took 230 acres to sow. He tithed 10 percent.

By the sixth year, it took over 2600 acres to sow 5,000 bushels.

Three hundred sixty kernels had turned into 55 billion. And the largest yield was only fiftyfold. Perry Hayden made $288,000 in six years, compared to the other farmers who only made an average of $21,000.

The experiment worked. God can bless your harvest when you tithe.

Tithing is the open door to THE BLESSING, and it's THE BLESSING that God set forth that's going to meet your needs, give you what you need, bless you, keep you well, keep you prosperous. Our tithing opens that door for God to move supernaturally. Tithing keeps the door open when you do it in faith. Now you can tithe in unbelief and it's not the same. But, when you tithe in faith, you worship God with your tithe. Ken and I pray over our tithe. We worship God with it. We believe God, and we sow it to the kingdom of God.

—Gloria Copeland

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How to Reap Your Harvest

Sowing and Reaping

Day #145

A. Galatians 6:7—A Successful Harvester Sows Seed

1. NKJV: "Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap."
2. AMPC: "Do not be deceived and deluded and misled; God will not allow Himself to be sneered at (scorned, disdained, or mocked by mere pretensions or professions, or by His precepts being set aside.) [He inevitably deludes himself who attempts to delude God.] For whatever a man sows, that and that only is what he will reap."
3. It is not, "reaping and sowing"—it is "sowing and reaping."
4. In order to reap a harvest, you must sow a seed.
5. God will even minister seed to the sower.
    a. If you don't have anything, just ask God for seed and He will get you started.
    b. Brother Copeland sowed a pencil in Oral Roberts' partner offering.
6. Every seed is attached to a harvest.
7. "Everything takes faith for manifestation." —Gloria Copeland

B. 2 Corinthians 9:6-8—Qualities of a Good Sower

1. AMPC: "[Remember] this: he who sows sparingly and grudgingly will also reap sparingly and grudgingly, and he who sows generously [that blessings may come to someone] will also reap generously and with blessings. Let each one [give] as he has made up his own mind and purposed in his heart, not reluctantly or sorrowfully or under compulsion, for God loves (He takes pleasure in, prizes above other things, and is unwilling to abandon or to do without) a cheerful (joyous, "prompt to do it") giver [whose heart is in his giving]. And God is able to make all grace (every favor and earthly blessing) come to you in abundance, so that you may always and under all circumstances and whatever the need be self-sufficient [possessing enough to require no aid or support and furnished in abundance for every good work and charitable donation]."
2. Verse 6—*Generous* (Proverbs 11:24-25—Liberal giver)
3. Verse 7—*Spirit-led* (JBP—Let everyone give as his heart tells him)
4. Verse 7—*Obedient* (Isaiah 1:19—willing and obedient)
5. Verse 7—*Cheerful* (AMPC—Joyous, prompt to do it giver)
6. Verse 8—*Result* (AMPC—Furnished in abundance for every good work)

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C. Keys to Sowing

1. Sow into the areas you desire to reap a harvest.
    a. Money, clothes, houses, cars, rest, help
    b. Every seed produces after its own kind.
2. If you really believe in sowing and reaping, get busy finding something to sow.
3. Ask, "What increases are we going to make in our sowing?"
4. Don't forget where you sowed.
    a. Check the field all the time.
5. Sow into good ground and you will have a much bigger harvest.

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How to Reap Your Harvest

Harvest Essentials—Part 1

Day #146

A. Previous Week's Review

1. The Missing Link
   a. Keith Moore said concerning EMIC's giving, "God's heart is grieved. It is bothering God that we are not reaping. I challenge you to hear the word of the Lord and make up your mind and say, "I am not just a good giver. I am a good reaper. I am going to get real good at reaping."—Keith Moore, Sept. 28, 1999
   b. Reaping: The missing link to our increase
   c. Result: We have become much better reapers.
2. We were created by God to reap harvest.
   a. "If you want to taste it, you have to harvest it." —Gloria Copeland
   b. "We still have a harvesting gene. It's in our DNA." —Gloria Copeland
3. Rules of Reaping:
   a. Reaping is not automatic.
   b. Reaping is our responsibility.
   c. Reaping requires faith.
4. "If you haven't thought of yourself as a harvester, start thinking of yourself that way." —From "Get Your Mind on the Harvest" by Kenneth Copeland
5. The connection between tithing and reaping
6. The connection between sowing and reaping

B. Mark 4:26-29—Three Essentials for a Great Harvest

Quotes by Kenneth Copeland, *From Faith to Faith*

1. "Jesus compared the kingdom of God with the planting of seed and reaping the harvest. It's a simple concept. One all of us understand.
2. "Why, then, aren't all of us producing bumper crops every season?
3. "Because we are sitting around waiting for God to do all the work.
4. "He doesn't operate that way. He'll work with you, but He won't do it all.
5. "There are some essential things you must do by faith if you want to have a crop to reap at harvest time."

C. Essential #1—Expect Your Seed to Grow

1. "First, you must sow the seed of the Word in faith, expecting it to grow." —Kenneth Copeland, *From Faith to Faith*

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2. Live in a continual state of expectation of your seed producing harvest.
3. Luke 6:38 (ESV): "Give, and IT WILL be given to you."
4. "I am expecting a record-breaking harvest."
5. Psalm 65:11 (NLT): "You crown the year with a bountiful harvest; even the hard pathways overflow with abundance."

I am expecting my greatest blessing and my greatest harvest ever, today—because great grace is upon us all.

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How to Reap Your Harvest

Harvest Essentials—Part 2

Day #147

A. Mark 4:26-29—Three Essentials for a Great Harvest

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C. Essential #2—Water Your Seed

1. "Water it every day with praise. Water it with the spiritual water of the Word. That Word contains life and those seed promises can't grow without it." —Kenneth Copeland, *From Faith to Faith*
2. Psalm 67:5-6: "Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee. Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us."
   a. Note the connection between praise and harvest.
   b. Praise is like "Miracle Grow"—it moves things along.
   c. The depth of your praise will determine the magnitude of your harvest.
   d. Praise gives voice to your faith, expressing your utmost confidence in God's Word.
3. "Praise God, my seed always produces a bumper crop."
4. "Thank You, Lord—the hundredfold return is working for me all the time."

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5. Galatians 6:9 (AMPC): "Let us not lose heart and grow weary and faint in acting nobly and doing right, for in due time and at the appointed season WE SHALL REAP, if we do not loosen and relax our courage and faint."

You have to sow with the Word. You have to reap with the Word.
You add your words of faith to His words of faith until the manifestation of the fruit appears
(the car, the healing, the house, the finances, the supply, the peace).
—Gloria Copeland

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How to Reap Your Harvest

Harvest Essentials—Part 3

Day #148

A. Mark 4:26-29—Three Essentials for a Great Harvest

Quotes by Kenneth Copeland, *From Faith to Faith*

1. "Jesus compared the kingdom of God with the planting of seed and reaping the harvest. It's a simple concept. One all of us understand.
2. "Why, then, aren't all of us producing bumper crops every season?
3. "Because we are sitting around waiting for God to do all the work.
4. "He doesn't operate that way. He'll work with you, but He won't do it all.
5. "There are some essential things you must do by faith if you want to have a crop to reap at harvest time."

B. Review of the First Two Essentials

Quotes by Kenneth Copeland, *From Faith to Faith*

1. Essential #1—Expect Your Seed to Grow
   a. "First, you must sow the seed of the Word in faith, expecting it to grow."
   b. Live in a continual state of expectation of your seed producing a record-breaking harvest.
2. Essential #2—Water Your Seed
   a. "Water it every day with praise. Water it with the spiritual water of the Word. That Word contains life and those seed promises can't grow without it."
   b. The depth of your praise will determine the magnitude of your harvest.

C. Essential #3—Keep the Weeds Out

1. "When the weeds of unforgiveness, doubt, fear, discouragement, (and all the other junk the devil tries to sow into your crop) try to enter in, get rid of them. They'll choke the Word. That's going to take some diligence on your part. No one else will do it for you. You're going to have to weed your own crop yourself. So get tough about it. When a little weed pops up, kill it! Don't hang on to it for even a moment. Pull it up by its roots. Spray it with the Word." —Kenneth Copeland, *From Faith to Faith*
2. Genesis 2:15: "And the Lord God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it."
   a. *Dress* (HEB) = to work it, till it, cultivate it and develop it
   b. *Keep* (HEB) = to put a hedge of thorns around it, to watch over it; to guard, protect, defend and safeguard; bodyguard and gatekeeper

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3. You pull up and cast out the "weeds" with your words of faith.
4. Mark 11:22-26—When you stand praying, forgive.
5. I asked our former KCM South Africa director what her thoughts were about Nelson Mandela. She simply said, "Forgave easily."

Unless the seed and the soil come together, no tomato.
—Gloria Copeland

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How to Reap Your Harvest

What Every Good Harvester Must Know

Day #149

A. John 4:35—A Good Harvester Must Know WHEN to Reap His Harvest

1. MSG: "As you look around right now, wouldn't you say that in about four months it will be time to harvest? Well, I'm telling you to open your eyes and take a good look at what's right in front of you. These Samaritan fields are ripe. It's harvest time!"
    a. The Holy Spirit will show us when the harvest is ready.
    b. "I know exactly when to reap my harvest!"
2. Joy is a major indicator.
    a. Isaiah 9:3 (TLB): "For Israel will again be great, filled with joy like that of reapers when the harvesttime has come."
    b. The closer the harvest, the more excited you become.
3. Exercise patience until the harvest is ready to reap.
    a. Galatians 6:9 (MOFFATT): "Never let us grow tired of doing what is right, for if we do not faint we shall reap our harvest at the opportune season."
    b. Ecclesiastes 3:2 (MSG): "A right time to plant and another to reap."

B. Genesis 26:12—A Good Harvester Must Know WHERE to Reap His Harvest

1. MSG: "Isaac planted crops in THAT LAND and took in a huge harvest. The man got richer and richer by the day until he was very wealthy."
2. Luke 5:1-11—Peter nearly missed his harvest.
    a. Peter sowed his boat to Jesus to allow Him to preach.
    b. Then, Jesus told him to let down the nets for his harvest.
3. The Lord will show you where your harvest is located.
    a. Opportunities
    b. Expansion
    c. Projects
    d. New jobs

C. Mark 10:29-30—A Good Harvester Must Know to Reap ALL His Harvest

1. Verse 30: "…But he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time."
2. *Receive* (GK) = LAMBANO
    a. To seize or take vs. accept something offered
    b. To lay hold of, procure, claim
3. The hundredfold must be harvested.
4. Proverbs 27:23: "Be diligent to know the state of thy flocks and look well to thy herds."

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   a. Do you know how much you tithed last year?
   b. Do you know how much you sowed last year?
5. Reap ALL of your harvest.
   a. It is still out there.
   b. Go get it ALL!

Don't Eat Your Harvest Before It's Ripe

From *THE BLESSING of The LORD Makes Rich and He Adds No Sorrow With It*

by Kenneth Copeland

When Jesus talked about the time of harvest in the parable of the sower; He described it this way:

> So is the kingdom of God, as if a man should cast seed into the ground; and should sleep, and rise night and day, and the seed should spring and grow up, he knoweth not how. For the earth bringeth forth fruit of herself; first the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear. But when the fruit is brought forth, immediately he putteth in the sickle, because the harvest is come (Mark 4:26-29).

Notice, you don't get out your sickle and try to start reaping the moment the first little blade of faith appears. You have to be patient and let The WORD finish its work. You have to wait for your faith crop to ripen.

As you do, you'll begin to see the thing you're believing for more clearly with the eyes of your heart. You'll start getting some confirmations and revelations from The LORD about it. He'll begin to show you where that property is you've been standing in faith for. He'll show you the building...or the house...or whatever else you've been claiming according to His WORD.

When those things start to happen, it's exciting. But it's also a time when you must stay full of faith that THE BLESSING is working in your life. You must continue to be patient and keep believing it's working—when you see it and when you don't, when you feel it and when you don't. You have to stay steady and on track because the devil will do everything he can to push you into getting out ahead of God and trying to make something happen too early. He'll work hard to pressure you into eating your crop while it's still green.

A lot of people do that, and it's a serious mistake. That's how people end up in financial trouble. They try to buy the building or the house or the car God promised them before it's time, instead of waiting to find out from Him exactly how He wants to get it to them.

Every one of us has done that at one time or another. We can all remember the bitter taste of green corn. But, personally, I don't want to make a steady diet of it. So I asked The LORD one day, "How can we know for sure when our harvest is ripe?"

I have put in the heart of every human being an awesome sense of timing, He said. *They have an innate ability to know when something is right.*

I recognized right away just how true that is. People who have never even been on a farm can go to a grocery store and tell immediately what's ripe and what's not. They won't eat fruit that's been picked before it's ready, unless that's all they have to eat, because it just doesn't taste good.

One way we know something is ripe is when it just falls off the tree. That's true in the natural and the spirit realm. When the time for your faith harvest has come, things just start working. Circumstances fall miraculously into line. People just start doing their best to help you in that area. It becomes obvious: THE BLESSING has done its work, and harvest time is here.

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How to Reap Your Harvest

It's Time to Reap Your Harvest!

Day #150

A. Series Review

1. The Missing Link
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   a. Reaping is not automatic.
   b. Reaping is our responsibility.
   c. Reaping requires faith.
4. The connection between tithing and reaping
5. The connection between sowing and reaping
6. Three essentials for a great harvest:
   a. Expect your seed to grow.
   b. Water your seed.
   c. Keep the weeds out.
7. A good harvester knows:
   a. When to reap
   b. Where to reap
   c. To reap it all

B. Isaiah 41:15—It's Time to Reap Your Harvest!

1. Behold, I will make thee a new sharp threshing instrument having teeth: thou shalt thresh the mountains, and beat them small, and shalt make the hills as chaff.
2. *Teeth* (HEB) = mouths
3. We reap our harvest the same way we acquire anything else—by faith.
4. Our words of faith bring in the harvest.
5. Romans 4:17—Call those things which be not as though they were.
   a. *Call* (GK) = summons, command, demand
   b. Summon your harvest to come to you.

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C. Father, by faith we command our harvest to come to us right now. We believe we reap the hundredfold return harvest from our sowing. Satan, take your hands off of our harvest. Angels, go get it and bring it to us! We reap it by faith in Jesus' Name. We are getting "real good at reaping"!

I will send you the seasonal rains. The land will then yield its crops, and the trees of the field will produce their fruit. Your threshing season will overlap with the grape harvest, and your grape harvest will overlap with the season of planting grain. You will eat your fill and live securely in your own land.
—Leviticus 26:4-5, NLT

You will have such a surplus of crops that you will need to clear out the old grain to make room for the new harvest!
—Leviticus 26:10, NLT

You will still be eating last year's harvest when you will have to move it out to make room for the new.
—Leviticus 26:10, NIV

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The Blessing of Abraham

Deuteronomy 28:1-14

1 And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the Lord thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth:
2 And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God.
3 Blessed shalt thou be in the city, and blessed shalt thou be in the field.
4 Blessed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy ground, and the fruit of thy cattle, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep.
5 Blessed shall be thy basket and thy store.
6 Blessed shalt thou be when thou comest in, and blessed shalt thou be when thou goest out.
7 The Lord shall cause thine enemies that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy face: they shall come out against thee one way, and flee before thee seven ways.
8 The Lord shall command the blessing upon thee in thy storehouses, and in all that thou settest thine hand unto; and he shall bless thee in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.
9 The Lord shall establish thee an holy people unto himself, as he hath sworn unto thee, if thou shalt keep the commandments of the Lord thy God, and walk in his ways.
10 And all people of the earth shall see that thou art called by the name of the Lord; and they shall be afraid of thee.
11 And the Lord shall make thee plenteous in goods, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground, in the land which the Lord sware unto thy fathers to give thee.
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.
13 And the Lord shall make thee the head, and not the tail; and thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath; if that thou hearken unto the commandments of the Lord thy God, which I command thee this day, to observe and to do them:
14 And thou shalt not go aside from any of the words which I command thee this day, to the right hand, or to the left, to go after other gods to serve them.

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Redeemed From the Curse

Day #151

A. Galatians 3:13—Redeemed From the Curse

1. AMPC: "Christ purchased our freedom [redeeming us] from the curse (doom) of the Law [and its condemnation] by [Himself] becoming a curse for us."
2. The curse is a declaration which dooms someone to failure.
   a. To destroy, do away with, cease, terminate
   b. To render idle, unemployed, inactive
   c. To cause a person or thing to have no further efficiency
   d. To deprive of force, influence, power
   e. See "A Bitter Pill to Swallow," page 171
3. Everything that could go wrong, goes wrong.
4. The curse is found in Deuteronomy 28:15-68.
5. *Redeemed from the curse* (GK) = purchased, ransomed, paid for, rescued
6. Christ has purchased us, ransomed us and rescued us from the curse of doom, destruction and failure.
   a. 1 Corinthians 6:20 (NLT): "God bought you with a high price."
   b. 1 Peter 1:18-19 (NKJV): "Knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things...but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot."

B. Galatians 3:14—THE BLESSING of Abraham

1. THE BLESSING is a declaration which empowers someone to succeed.
2. Genesis 1:28: "And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over…every living thing."
3. Proverbs 10:22 (AMPC): "The blessing of the Lord—it makes [truly] rich, and He adds no sorrow with it [neither does toiling increase it]."
4. Everything that could go right, goes right.
5. Deuteronomy 8:18 (NLT): "Remember the Lord your God. He is the one who gives you power to be successful, in order to fulfill the covenant he confirmed to your ancestors with an oath."
6. THE BLESSING of Abraham is found in Deuteronomy 28:1-14.

C. Galatians 3:14—Blessed With Abraham

1. We are to receive by faith everything that the Spirit promised Abraham.

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2. NLT: "Through Christ Jesus, God has blessed the Gentiles with the same blessing He promised to Abraham."
3. Verse 9 (ESV): "Those who are of faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith."
4. Verse 29 (NKJV): "If you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise."
5. "Under the curse you diminish. Things flow away from you. Under THE BLESSING, you increase. Things flow into you." —Gloria Copeland, *50 Days of Prosperity Vol. 2*

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A Bitter Pill to Swallow

From *THE BLESSING of The LORD Makes Rich and He Adds No Sorrow With It*

by Kenneth Copeland

It's no wonder the Hebrew root of the word *curse* means "bitterness" because the curse made Adam and Eve's lives bitter in every way. It embittered both the spirit realm and the natural realm. It caused the animals Adam had named to see him as their enemy instead of their benefactor. Even the ground became bitter toward mankind. Instead of joyfully producing abundant fruit for them to eat, it didn't want to grow anything. Adam, who had once lived in a marvelous, beautiful place filled with abundance, was forced to scratch a living out of ground that rebuked him every time he tried to plant it and harvest it. He had to sweat and strain (Hebrew: *toil)* to earn a living, knowing the whole time that God had not designed him to *earn* a living, but to *create* a living.

Every aspect of the curse came as a horrible shock to Adam and Eve. Nothing in them was created to deal with it. Their spirits weren't created to be infested with death and darkness. They were created to be filled with life and light. Their minds weren't made to house things like hatred and fear. They were made for love and faith. Their bodies were designed for health—not sickness and disease.

Death, in all its manifestation, is totally foreign to human beings. The curse is completely contrary to the way God made us. That's why the body fights those things. Our whole system rebels against them because they don't have any business in or on us. When sin, hate, fear and other aspects of the curse invade us, our bodies recognize them as opposing, alien forces and begin to fight them. The body will fight those things until it dies.

Adam must have panicked as the consequences of the curse began to dawn on him. He must have thought, *How am I ever going to get out of this? My seed is bitter, so even my children will be affected by it. The earth is bitter. The animal kingdom is bitter. I've even embittered my relationship with God. Oh, God, how can I ever be Your friend again?*

Before he could even ask those questions, however, they were answered. God answered them before the foundation of the world, when He foresaw that mankind would fall. So, the moment Adam and Eve's sin was revealed and they stood before God, stripped of their former glory, He began revealing His merciful plan. He spoke about the Seed of the woman who would one day crush the serpent's head. He pointed down through the corridor of time to the last Adam, the Redeemer, who would undo what Satan had done through the first Adam. He gave the first clues to the mystery that would be kept secret for thousands of years: that God Himself would become the Son of Man, bear the bitterness of the curse and forever restore THE BLESSING.

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Then, God did for His beloved Adam and Eve what had to be done. Sacrificing an animal, He covered their nakedness and shame by making them tunics of skin. Through that sacrifice, He established the first blood covenant. He atoned for their sin and made a way to retain some form of relationship with them. Then, in His great mercy, God ensured that mankind would not live eternally in this fallen state.

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High Above All Nations (Verse 1)

Day #152

A. THE BLESSING Will Come to Pass...IF

1. There are conditions to THE BLESSING.
2. God is not trying to keep us from THE BLESSING—He is determined to see us walk in the fullness of THE BLESSING.
3. If you will listen diligently to the voice of the Lord your God
   a. Matthew 13:16: "Blessed are your eyes, for they see: and your ears, for they hear."
   b. John 10:27: "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me."
   c. Psalm 85:8: "I will hear what God the Lord will speak."
4. If you will observe His commandments
   a. God explained THE BLESSING in detail to the children of Israel—what it included and how it operated.
   b. He wanted to renew their minds from a bondage and lack mentality in Egypt to a BLESSING and prosperity mentality in Canaan.
   c. Why? So that THE BLESSING on them would create a Garden of Eden wherever they went.
   d. "Through Jesus, we get back in the Garden." —Gloria Copeland
   e. See "Clearing Up the Confusion," page 175
5. If you will do His commandments
   a. James 1:22-25 (NLT): "But don't just listen to God's word. You must do what it says. Otherwise, you are only fooling yourselves. For if you listen to the word and don't obey, it is like glancing at your face in a mirror. You see yourself, walk away, and forget what you look like. But if you look carefully into the perfect law that sets you free, and if you do what it says and don't forget what you heard, then God will bless you for doing it."
   b. Joshua 1:8 (AMPC): "This Book of the Law shall not depart out of your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, that you may observe and do according to all that is written in it. For then you shall make your way prosperous, and then you shall deal wisely and have good success."

B. Set You on High Above the Nations

1. This is the first article of THE BLESSING of Abraham.
2. "God, your God, will make you an elite (nation), above all the nations of the earth." —*The Chumash, The Gutnick Edition,* page 1305

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3. Proverbs 11:11 (NIV): "Through THE BLESSING of the upright a city is exalted, but by the mouth of the wicked it is destroyed."
4. Deuteronomy 28: 7, 12 makes it clear that this includes military and economic supremacy over all other nations.
    a. Verse 7 (NLT): "The Lord will conquer your enemies when they attack you. They will attack you from one direction, but they will scatter from you in seven!"
    b. Verse 12 (NLT): "The Lord will send rain at the proper time from his rich treasury in the heavens and will bless all the work you do. You will lend to many nations, but you will never need to borrow from them."
    c. See "Who Taught These Guys How to Fight?" page 176
5. You will not be dominated or destroyed by other nations.
6. Twenty-two percent of Nobel Prize winners are Jewish.[1]
7. Jews make up only 0.2% of the world population.[1]

C. Set on High With Christ Jesus

1. Ephesians 2:6 (AMPC): "And He raised us up together with Him and made us sit down together [giving us joint seating with Him] in the heavenly sphere [by virtue of our being] in Christ Jesus (the Messiah, the Anointed One)."
2. Ephesians 2:6 (MSG): "Then he picked us up and set us down in highest heaven in company with Jesus, our Messiah."
3. Colossians 1:13—We have been delivered from the power of darkness and have been translated into the kingdom of God.
    a. We have been set on high in dominion over powers and principalities.
    b. We rule over darkness.
    c. "We have authority in the Name of Jesus, and we rule over darkness. But, *we* have to rule. If we don't want the devil coming into our affairs, our bodies, our marriages, our finances, *we* have to say, 'you're not coming in here, Devil.' We have to stand our ground, and we have to say right words." —Gloria Copeland
4. Ephesians 6:10-14: "Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness."

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Clearing Up the Confusion

From *THE BLESSING of The LORD Makes Rich and He Adds No Sorrow With It*

by Kenneth Copeland

This is why it was so important for God to get the commandments to the children of Israel. It explains why He went to such great lengths to describe to them in detail their covenant of BLESSING and how it operates.

He wanted to renew their minds because whatever they carried on the inside would eventually come out. If they carried a mindset of bondage, they'd turn even the Promised Land into a place of bondage. But if they carried within them the mindset of BLESSING, that BLESSING would create a Garden of Eden wherever they went.

The same thing is true for us as New Testament believers, but we have a major advantage. We have a regenerated spirit that's been made righteous. We have available to us the mind of Christ. We have the very image of Jesus inside us. God has "BLESSED us with all spiritual BLESSINGS in heavenly places in Christ."

If we'll just believe what the Bible says about us and walk in the covenant of love, THE BLESSING will produce the conditions of the Garden of Eden around us as surely as it did for the Israelites in the Promised Land. In fact, it will do even more for us than it did for them. Because we carry THE BLESSING inside us wherever we go, God can send us to the hardest, thistle-growing, demon-infested place, and we can go with joy. We don't have to argue with Him about it. We don't have to complain and drag our feet. We can go in faith knowing that God is sending us there not to live in squalor but to release THE BLESSING that's within us and turn that dark corner of the world into a milk-and-honey kind of place.

"Oh, Brother Copeland, you're not being practical. There are some places even THE BLESSING won't work."

If there are, I've never seen them, and I've been to a lot of places. I've seen THE BLESSING work everywhere from the wilds of Africa to the urban jungles of America.

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Who Taught These Guys How to Fight?

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When the battle was over, Abraham's household army had not only whipped the four-king, military machine that had conquered everyone in that part of the world; they had stripped them of all their spoils. "And he brought back all the goods, and also brought again his brother Lot, and his goods, and the women also, and the people" ([Genesis 14] verse 16).

Talk about an upset! How on earth were Abraham and his servants able to pull off such an overwhelming victory? Where did they get the war technology to do that?

From THE BLESSING.

"Brother Copeland, surely you aren't saying that THE BLESSING taught them how to fight!"

That's exactly what I'm saying. What's more important, the Scriptures indicate the servants born in Abraham's house were trained warriors. Who trained them? Abraham couldn't have done it. He wasn't a military man. If a soldier or commander from another army had come in to train them, Abraham's servants wouldn't have had an edge on Ched's army at all. They would have been using the same battle strategies that he, and everyone else, was using. Clearly, someone taught Abraham's men military tactics no one else knew. Who was it?

It was the Spirit of God.

The anointing of THE BLESSING revealed to them strategies and tactics of war no one had ever heard of before. It empowered them to subdue and have dominion over whatever and whomever came against them. The Bible doesn't tell us how God trained Abraham's servants, but they wound up knowing how to fight so effectively that a few hundred of them could rout an army of thousands. When they showed up at Ched's camp in the night, he and his troops didn't know what to do but die or run. Abraham's commandos ruled the night.

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Overtaken by THE BLESSING (Verse 2)

Day #153

A. All These Blessings

1. "Before the Torah recounts the dire consequences of sin, it gives the blessings that will accrue to the nation for fulfilling the commandments. These blessings are wide ranging and involve every area of material life, thus reassuring the people that their spiritual accomplishments will bring them untold benefits in every area of life." —*The Chumash, Stone Edition*
2. Psalm 103:1-5 (NKJV): "Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless His holy name! Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits: who forgives all your iniquities, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from destruction, who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies, who satisfies your mouth with good things, so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's."
3. 2 Peter 1:3 (AMPC): "For His divine power has bestowed upon us all things that [are requisite and suited] to life and godliness, through the [full, personal] knowledge of Him Who called us by and to His own glory and excellence (virtue)."
4. Psalm 84:11 (NKJV): "For the Lord God is a sun and shield; the Lord will give grace and glory; no good thing will He withhold from those who walk uprightly."
5. "All these blessings" include everything it will take to empower us to succeed and prosper in everything we do.

B. All These Blessings Shall Come on You and Overtake You

1. Deuteronomy 28:2 (MSG): "All these blessings will come down on you."
2. Ezekiel 34:25-27—Showers of blessing
   a. *Shower* (HEB) = to pour down and rain violently
   b. *Shower* (Merriam-Webster) = a falling of things from the air in thick succession in great and large quantities
3. Malachi 3:10: "I will…open the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."
   a. *Brenton*—The torrents of heaven
   b. NIV—The floodgates of heaven
   c. CEV: "I will open the windows of heaven and flood you with blessing after blessing."
4. *Overtake you* (HEB) = take over your life, overwhelm you, engulf you, pile up on you, cover you over and load you up with an excessive amount, avalanche, heap, swamp, overflow, flood

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5. Luke 5:6-9—Peter was overtaken with fish.
    a. Verses 6-7 (NLT): "And this time their nets were so full of fish they began to tear! A shout for help brought their partners in the other boat, and soon both boats were filled with fish and on the verge of sinking."
    b. Every fish in Galilee showed up.
    c. The sale of those fish launched Peter into his full-time ministry.

C. If You Will Harken Unto the Voice of the Lord Thy God

1. This is the second time this statement has been made in as many verses—very important!
2. Deuteronomy 28:2 (ESV): "If you obey the voice of the Lord your God."
3. THE BLESSING is conditional to our obedience to His voice.
4. Obedience to His voice opens the door for THE BLESSING to overtake us.
5. And THE BLESSING always supplies the best.
    a. Isaiah 1:19 (NIV-84): "If you are willing and obedient, you will eat the best from the land."
    b. MSG: "If you'll willingly obey, you'll feast like kings."

To obey what He says, you have to know what He says and receive it.
—Gloria Copeland

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The Fullness of THE BLESSING (Verses 3-6)

Day #154

A. Galatians 3:13-14—Review of THE BLESSING

1. THE BLESSING is a declaration which empowers someone to succeed at whatever they do.
2. In Genesis 1:28, God empowered man when he was created to be fruitful, multiply, replenish the earth, subdue it and have dominion over it.
3. Man was empowered to establish the Garden of Eden wherever he went.
4. In Christ Jesus, we are to experience the fullness of THE BLESSING of Abraham.
5. Galatians 3:29 (MSG): "Also, since you are Christ's family, then you are Abraham's famous 'descendant,' heirs according to the covenant promises."
    a. Verse 7—We are children of Abraham.
    b. Verse 9—We are blessed with Abraham.

B. The Fullness of THE BLESSING

1. Deuteronomy 28:3-6 represents the fullness of THE BLESSING in every area of life.
    a. Israel has the highest rate of entrepreneurship in the world.[2]
        i. Highest among women[2] (Proverbs 31)
        ii. Highest among age 55 and above[2]
        iii. Twenty-two percent of Nobel Prize winners are Jewish[1]
    b. Israeli innovations
        i. Flash drive[3]
        ii. Cellphone[4]
        iii. Voice mail[2]
        iv. Instant Messaging[3]
        v. Smallest video camera (endoscope)[3]
        vi. PillCam (digestive tract camera)[3]
        vii. Vaccine against West Nile virus[5]
        viii. Nanowire—1,000 times thinner than human hair[3]
        ix. Iron Dome missile defense[3]
2. Blessed in the city and in the field
    a. Wherever you are
    b. *"Blessed shalt thou be in the city*—not only in the city of Jerusalem, where the Temple would be built, and there be blessed with the service, worship, and ordinances of God, but in all other cities of the land; where they should dwell in large, and spacious houses, and their cities should be walled and fenced, and be very populous; yet should enjoy health, and have plenty of all sorts of provisions brought unto them, as well as prosper in all kinds of merchandise there, as Aben Ezra notes." —*John Gill's Exposition of the Bible*
    c. *"Blessed shalt thou be in the field*—in the country villages, and in all rural

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employments, in sowing and planting, as the same writer observes; in all kinds of husbandry, in the culture of the fields for corn, and of vineyards and oliveyards; all should prosper and succeed, and bring forth fruit abundantly." —*John Gill's Exposition of the Bible*

3. Blessed in the fruit of your body, your ground, your cattle, the increase of your kine and the flocks of your sheep
    a. Whatever you do
    b. *"Blessed shall be the fruit of thy body*—their children, of which they should have many, and these live; be healthful, thrive, and arrive to manhood, and increase and perpetuate their families." —*John Gill's Exposition of the Bible*
        i. Psalm 115:14: "The Lord shall increase you more and more, you and your children."
    c. *"And the fruit of thy ground*—of their gardens, orchards, and fields; grass for the cattle, and the wheat, barley, vines, figs, pomegranates, olives, and dates for the use of men." —*John Gill's Exposition of the Bible*
    d. *"And the fruit of thy cattle, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep"*—simply meaning that you will be extremely productive in all you do.
        i. Genesis 13:2 (AMPC): "Abram was extremely rich in livestock and in silver and in gold."
        ii. *Extreme*—reaching a high or the highest degree, utmost, maximum, enormous, extraordinary
4. Blessed in your basket and in your store
    a. Whatever you have
    b. A basket holds reserves, surplus, increase and overflow.
        i. John 6:12-13—Gathered and filled 12 baskets that remained, over and above
    c. A kneading-trough is the preparation place for what is daily consumed.
        i. Matthew 6:11—Daily bread
5. Blessed when you come in and blessed when you go out
    a. Wherever you go
    b. "When you comest in from your employment, you shall find that no evil has happened to the family or dwelling in your absence." —*Adam Clarke's Commentary on the Bible*
        i. Psalm 121:8 (NKJV): "The Lord shall preserve your going out and your coming in from this time forth, and even forevermore."
    c. "When you goest out, your way shall be made prosperous before you, and you shall have the divine blessing in all your labors." —*Adam Clarke's Commentary on the Bible*
    d. "In all their business and employments of life whether within doors or without; in the administration of every office, whether more public or private; and in all their journeys going out and coming home; and particularly when they went out to war, and returned, all should be attended with success." —*John Gill's Exposition of the Bible*

C. Genesis 39:1-6—Joseph Experienced the Fullness of THE BLESSING

1. Wherever he was
2. Whatever he did
3. Whatever he had
4. Wherever he went
5. Verse 5: "THE BLESSING of the Lord was upon all that he had in the house, and in the field."

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Enemies on the Run (Verse 7)

Day #155

A. Enemies Smitten Before Your Face

1. *Smitten* (HEB) = sudden, quick, decisive fatal blow with the intent to utterly conquer and destroy
2. "This is a promise of security from foreign invasion, or total discomfiture of the invaders should they enter the land." —*Adam Clarke's Commentary on the Bible*
3. 1 Samuel 17:49: "And David put his hand in his bag, and took thence a stone, and slang it, and smote the Philistine in his forehead, that the stone sunk into his forehead; and he fell upon his face to the earth."

a. David was operating under the anointing of THE BLESSING.
b. The confrontation ended quickly.
c. It was a decisive fatal blow that resulted in victory.

4. Exodus 23:22 (ESV): "But if you carefully obey his voice and do all that I say, then I will be an enemy to your enemies and an adversary to your adversaries."
5. Exodus 23:27 (NLT): "I will send my terror ahead of you and create panic among all the people whose lands you invade. I will make all your enemies turn and run."

B. They Will Flee Seven Ways

1. Deuteronomy 28:7 (MSG): "God will defeat your enemies who attack you. They'll come at you on one road and run away on seven roads."
2. "It is common for people who flee in panic to disperse and run off in all directions (Rashi), discarding every semblance of military discipline. The juxtaposition of this verse with the next, which speaks of blessed storehouses, suggests that the fleeing enemy will leave behind a wealth of supplies and provisions for the Jews to take at will (Baal HaTruim)." —*The Chumash, Stone Edition*
3. "They shall come out against thee one way—in the firmest and most united manner. And flee...seven ways—shall be utterly broken, confounded, and finally routed." —*Adam Clarke's Commentary on the Bible*
4. What is so significant about the number 7?

a. Perfection
b. Completion
c. Total victory

5. The seven redemptive names of God completely cover the total defeat of seven major enemies of life.

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C. Seven Defeated Enemies of Life

1. The Enemy of Lack
   a. Jehovah Jireh—The Lord Will Provide
   b. Genesis 22:13-14 (NLT): "Then Abraham looked up and saw a ram caught by its horns in a thicket. So he took the ram and sacrificed it as a burnt offering in place of his son. Abraham named the place Yahweh-Yireh (which means 'the Lord will provide')."
2. The Enemy of Sickness
   a. Jehovah Rapha—The Lord That Heals
   b. Exodus 15:26 (NLT): "He said, 'If you will listen carefully to the voice of the Lord your God and do what is right in his sight, obeying his commands and keeping all his decrees, then I will not make you suffer any of the diseases I sent on the Egyptians; for I am the Lord who heals you.'"
3. The Enemy of Failure
   a. Jehovah Nissi—The Lord Our Banner and Victory
   b. Exodus 17:8-15 (NLT): "…After the victory, the Lord instructed Moses, 'Write this down on a scroll as a permanent reminder, and read it aloud to Joshua: I will erase the memory of Amalek from under heaven.' Moses built an altar there and named it Yahweh-Nissi (which means 'the Lord is my banner')."
4. The Enemy of Worry
   a. Jehovah Shalom—The Lord Our Peace
   b. Judges 6:24 (NLT): "And Gideon built an altar to the Lord there and named it Yahweh-Shalom (which means 'the Lord is peace')."
5. The Enemy of Confusion
   a. Jehovah Ra-ah—The Lord My Shepherd
   b. Psalm 23:1-3 (NKJV): "The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters. He restores my soul; He leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake."
6. The Enemy of Condemnation
   a. Jehovah Tsidkenu—The Lord Our Righteousness
   b. Jeremiah 23:5-6 (NLT): "'For the time is coming,' says the Lord, 'when I will raise up a righteous descendant from King David's line. He will be a King who rules with wisdom. He will do what is just and right throughout the land. And this will be his name: "The Lord Is Our Righteousness." In that day Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety.'"
7. The Enemy of Fear
   a. Jehovah Shammah—The Lord Is There
   b. Ezekiel 48:35 (NLT): "And from that day the name of the city will be 'The Lord Is There.'"

Resist the devil, and he will flee from you [as in stark terror].
James 4:7

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The Commanded Blessing (Verse 8)

Day #156

A. The Lord Shall Command THE BLESSING Upon You in Your Storehouses

1. *Command* (HEB) = to give an order, charge or decree
2. THE BLESSING is a declaration which empowers someone to prosper and succeed in everything they do.
   a. Proverbs 10:22: "The blessing of the Lord, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it."
   b. Genesis 1:28—God told Adam to be fruitful, multiply, replenish the earth, subdue it and have dominion over it.
3. *Storehouses*—multiple places where goods and wealth are stored.
   a. Bank accounts, investment accounts—wherever something of value is stored
   b. God will protect and multiply whatever is in those storehouses.
   c. These storehouses were, "Barns, granaries, and cellar, where their corn, wine and oil were laid up; by preserving the corn from being devoured by vermin, and the casks of wine and oil from bursting and running out." —*John Gill's Exposition of the Bible*
4. Deuteronomy 28:8 (NLT): "The Lord will guarantee a blessing on everything you do and will fill your storehouses with grain."
5. "Everything that you have shall come by divine appointment; you shall have nothing casually, but everything, both spiritual and temporal, shall come by immediate command of God." —*Adam Clarke's Commentary on the Bible*

B. The Lord Shall Command THE BLESSING Upon All You Set Your Hand to Do

1. Everything you undertake will succeed and prosper.
   a. "In all their manufactures, occupations, and trades, in which they were employed, and in the culture of their vines, olives, and other fruit trees." —*John Gill's Exposition of the Bible*
   b. "In all thy business." —*Commentary on the Old Testament in Ten Volumes, Volume 1, The Pentateuch*
2. Deuteronomy 2:7 (NIV-84): "The Lord your God has blessed you in all the work of your hands. He has watched over your journey through this vast desert. These forty years the Lord your God has been with you, and you have not lacked anything."
3. Deuteronomy 12:7 (NIV): "There, in the presence of the Lord your God, you and your families shall eat and shall rejoice in everything you have put your hand to, because the Lord your God has blessed you."

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4. Psalm 128:1-2 (NIV-84): "Blessed are all who fear the Lord, who walk in his ways. You will eat the fruit of your labor; blessings and prosperity will be yours."
5. Psalm 90:17 (NLT): "And may the Lord our God show us his approval and make our efforts successful."

C. He Shall Bless You in the Land

1. Deuteronomy 28:8 (CEV): "The Lord your God is giving you the land, and He will make sure you are successful in everything you do."
2. Deuteronomy 8:7-10—The land that God has given us
3. Genesis 26:12-13 (NLT): "When Isaac planted his crops that year, he harvested a hundred times more grain than he planted, for the Lord blessed him. He became a very rich man, and his wealth continued to grow."

a. A hundredfold return was an unusual harvest for Gerar.
b. Even in more fertile regions, the yield was usually not greater than twenty-five to fifty fold.
c. Isaac's land was blessed by God in spite of a serious famine.

4. Deuteronomy 28:8: "With health and long life in it, and with an abundance of all good things, it being a land flowing with milk and honey." —*John Gill's Exposition of the Bible*
5. "God will bring the blessing of prosperity into Eretz Yisrael, so that merchants and investors will have no need to travel abroad to make their fortunes (Haamek Davar)." —*The Chumash, Stone Edition*

What is BLESSED can't be cursed."
—Gloria Copeland

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THE BLESSING Clearly Seen (Verses 9-10)

Day #157

A. A Holy People for God

1. *Establish* (HEB) = raised up to become a powerful people; to bring them on the scene
2. *Holy* (HEB) = set apart, consecrated, purified, protected from ruin
3. Holy people = blessed people
4. THE BLESSING sets us apart to bring us on the scene and be a powerful people.
5. Deuteronomy 26:19 (NIV): "He has declared that he will set you in praise, fame and honor high above all the nations he has made and that you will be a people holy to the Lord your God, as he promised."
6. 1 Peter 2:9 (NIV-84): "But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light."

B. People Will See You Are Called by God

1. What about us will they see?
2. Deuteronomy 28:10—They will see we are "called his children, his people, his portion, and his inheritance; and that they are his, and he is theirs, by the care he takes of them, the provision he makes for them, and the protection they have from him." —*John Gill's Exposition of the Bible*
3. Genesis 26:26-29 (NLT): "One day King Abimelech came from Gerar with his adviser, Ahuzzath, and also Phicol, his army commander. 'Why have you come here?' Isaac asked. 'You obviously hate me, since you kicked me off your land.' They replied, 'We can plainly see that the Lord is with you. So we want to enter into a sworn treaty with you. Let's make a covenant. Swear that you will not harm us, just as we have never troubled you. We have always treated you well, and we sent you away from us in peace. And now look how the Lord has blessed you!'"
4. They will see that we are prospering, enlarging, increasing and walking in the overwhelming abundance of God in every realm of life.
5. Deuteronomy 28:10 (NLT): "Then all the nations of the world will see that you are a people claimed by the Lord."
6. "They will see your blessing and prosperity. Your blessing is a sign. You shall be a testimony." —Gloria Copeland

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C. People Will Be Astonished

1. The God they see in us will cause a reaction in them.
2. *Awe* (HEB) = reverence, fear, honor, respect
   a. To inspire godly fear
   b. To cause astonishment
   c. In other words, "Don't mess with My people!"
3. Deuteronomy 28:10 (MSG): "All the peoples on Earth will see you living under the Name of God and hold you in respectful awe."
4. "In the plain sense of the verse, it will be natural for nations to feel reverence for a people that is such an obvious recipient of God's blessings, for this Divine bounty will testify to the Name that they bear upon themselves. Each nation will have its god or set of beliefs, but all nations will come to realize that only God is the source of all strength and blessing—even of the powers that they ascribe to their gods. If so, the nation that is intimately associated with God will inspire the awe of all the others (R' Bachya)." —*The Chumash, Stone Edition*
5. 2 Chronicles 9:3-4 (NLT): "When the queen of Sheba realized how wise Solomon was, and when she saw the palace he had built, she was overwhelmed. She was also amazed at the food on his tables, the organization of his officials and their splendid clothing, the cup-bearers and their robes, and the burnt offerings Solomon made at the Temple of the Lord."
6. Deuteronomy 11:24-25 (NLT): "Wherever you set foot, that land will be yours. Your frontiers will stretch from the wilderness in the south to Lebanon in the north, and from the Euphrates River in the east to the Mediterranean Sea in the west. No one will be able to stand against you, for the Lord your God will cause the people to fear and dread you, as he promised, wherever you go in the whole land."
7. Isaiah 61:9 (NIV): "Their descendants will be known among the nations and their offspring among the peoples. All who see them will acknowledge that they are a people the Lord has blessed."

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The Blessing of Abraham

A Surplus of Prosperity (Verse 11)

Day #158

A. The Lord Shall Make You Plenteous in Goods

1. We were created by God to be fully supplied in every possible way.
2. You have plenty of everything.
3. Proverbs 10:22: "The blessing of the Lord, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it."
4. *Plenteous* (HEB) = abundance, to have more than enough, to have excess, too much with much left over
5. *Plenteous* = plenty of everything
6. *Goods* (HEB) = prosperity, wealth, good things, beautiful things, the best things
7. God enjoys prospering His people.
    a. Deuteronomy 30:9 (ESV): "The Lord your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all the work of your hand, in the fruit of your womb and in the fruit of your cattle and in the fruit of your ground. For the Lord will again take delight in prospering you, as he took delight in your fathers."
    b. 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."

B. A Surplus of Prosperity

1. Deuteronomy 28: 11 (AMPC): "And the Lord shall make you have a surplus of prosperity."
    a. *Surplus* (Merriam-Webster)—an amount that is more than the amount needed
    b. VOICE: "The Eternal will give you more than enough of every good thing."
    c. Exodus 36:7 (NLT): "Their contributions were more than enough to complete the whole project."
    d. "Where does the surplus come from? It comes from THE BLESSING working on your behalf. It works and it works and it works, and it keeps working!"—Gloria Copeland
2. MSG: "God will lavish you with good things."
    a. *Lavish* (The Free Dictionary)—to expend or give in great amounts or without limit
    b. 1 John 3:1 (NIV-84): "How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called the children of God!"
3. BBE: "The Lord will make you fertile in every good thing."
    a. *Fertile* (Merriam-Webster)—producing a large amount of something
    b. Genesis 26:12-14 (NIV): "Isaac planted crops in that land and the same year

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reaped a hundredfold, because the Lord blessed him. The man became rich, and his wealth continued to grow until he became very wealthy. He had so many flocks and herds and servants that the Philistines envied him."

4. EXB: "The Lord will make you rich."
5. "Superabundance will the Lord give thee for good (for happiness and prosperity)." — *Commentary on the Old Testament in Ten Volumes, Volume 1, The Pentateuch*
   a. *Superabundant* (Dictionary.com)—exceedingly or excessively abundant; more than sufficient

b. Ephesians 3:20 (AMPC): "Now to Him Who, by (in consequence of) the [action of His] power that is at work within us, is able to [carry out His purpose and] do superabundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams]."

C. THE BLESSING Produces Fruit

1. *Fruit*—the results of listening to God's voice, walking in God's ways and following God's commands
2. Deuteronomy 28:11 (MSG): "God will lavish you with good things: children from your womb, offspring from your animals, and crops from your land, the land that God promised your ancestors that he would give you."
3. NLT: "The Lord will give you prosperity in the land he swore to your ancestors to give you, blessing you with many children, numerous livestock, and abundant crops."
4. The fruit of your ground is your sowing and reaping.
5. This was an irreversible covenant oath that God promised to Abraham.

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Treasures From Heaven (Verse 12)

Day #159

A. The Lord Will Open His Good Treasure

1. *Open* (HEB) = throw wide open and let loose
2. *Treasure* (HEB) = storehouse, armory, depository, treasury

a. BBE: "Opening his store-house in heaven."
b. CEV: "The Lord will open the storehouses of the skies."
c. NIV: "The Lord will open the heavens, the storehouse of his bounty."
d. CEB: "The Lord will open up for you his own well-stocked storehouse."
e. MSG: "God will throw open the doors of his sky vaults."

B. Words From the Lord Through Kenneth Copeland Regarding God's Storehouse

1. "'…I have a great storehouse. Much more has been stored up in the storehouse of riches beyond your wildest dream that I laid up for you before the foundation of the world. Much more is stored up there than what the Church has ever called for. I never have held back on the Church,' saith The Lord God of plenty. 'I've made it available to you. I put it in My WORD. I gave you a promise and stood behind it with the blood—the precious blood of your Savior. But there has been a backwardness in My people about laying hold of the things that I have provided for you. But I will say this: There is a people in the land. There is a people around the world. There is a people strong and mighty, growing much stronger and much mightier and more bold to lay hold and put their claim of faith on the things that I have laid up for you and it thrills Me,' saith The Lord, 'because it's been yours all the time.'" —"God's Great Storehouse" word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, Nov. 10, 2011
2. "'I have plans that you have never dreamed of,' saith The LORD. 'They are beyond your wildest imagination. I did it just for you. Heaven is overloaded with things that I have prepared for your enjoyment, if you will simply come to that place where you just say, "God, I am so grateful," and give Me an opportunity.'" —"Come to the Table," word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, Aug. 7, 2009
3. "God is The LORD of the storehouse. He is the treasurer.… He's The LORD of the harvest. He's The LORD of the treasure. He's The LORD of the treasure house, which is part of THE BLESSING of Abraham in Deuteronomy 28:12. That is part of what will come on us and overtake us, if we hearken to the commandment of The LORD."—"The Lord of the Storehouse," word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, Jan. 23, 2012

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C. He Will Give Rain for Your Land

1. Deuteronomy 28:12 (MSG): "God will throw open the doors of his sky vaults and pour rain on your land on schedule and bless the work you take in hand."
2. Leviticus 26:3-5 (MSG): "If you live by my decrees and obediently keep my commandments, I will send the rains in their seasons, the ground will yield its crops and the trees of the field their fruit. You will thresh until the grape harvest and the grape harvest will continue until planting time."
    a. Leviticus 26:10 (NLT-96): "You will have such a surplus of crops that you will need to get rid of the leftovers from the previous year to make room for each new harvest."
3. Isaiah 30:23 (NIV): "He will also send you rain for the seed you sow in the ground, and the food that comes from the land will be rich and plentiful."

D. He Will Bless the Work of Your Hands

1. *Work* (HEB) = labor, business, pursuit, undertaking, enterprise, occupation, transactions, endeavors
2. Deuteronomy 30:9 (NLT): "The Lord your God will then make you successful in everything you do."
    a. Genesis 39:3 (NIV): "When his master saw that the Lord was with him and that the Lord gave him success in everything he did." (Joseph)
    b. 1 Samuel 18:14 (NIV): "In everything he did he had great success, because the Lord was with him." (David)
    c. The more you obey God's Word (the more you get in the Word and see what God says), and you make changes to agree with what God tells you to do, the greater THE BLESSING is going to flow.
    d. "Whatever comes out of your mouth, comes out of the abundance of your heart unless it is just something you mentally decide to do. What you continually say, is what you're going to get." —Gloria Copeland
3. Psalm 1:1-3 (NKJV): "Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stands in the path of sinners, nor sits in the seat of the scornful; but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His law he meditates day and night. He shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that brings forth its fruit in its season, whose leaf also shall not wither; and whatever he does shall prosper."

E. You Will Lend and Not Borrow

1. Deuteronomy 28:12 (NLT): "You will lend to many nations, but you will never need to borrow from them."
2. MSG: "God will throw open the doors of His sky vaults and pour rain on your land on schedule and bless the work you take in hand. You will lend to many nations but you yourself won't have to take out a loan."
3. "The manifestation of THE BLESSING is at an all-time high. You are approaching a blessing manifestation of Glory that is an explosion in ways and intensity that the human race has never seen before…. THE BLESSING will encase you and you will learn

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to walk in the secret place of the Most High God. Blessed in His BLESSING, blessed in His Glory, blessed in your comings, blessed in your goings. Blessed in your pocketbook. All debt will have to get up and leave you the way leprosy left the lepers of old. Debt is financial sickness. It is financial leprosy. It is an attempt to do with the natural world's monies and abilities what I created THE BLESSING to do for you. Only, it is a burden and not a blessing. Debt is part of the curse. If you will begin to confess [the Word], you will be shocked and thrilled at how quickly you will have the Glory arise and drive the debt out of your life. If you will bring your tithe to Me and spend time with Me, tithing that tithe to Me, I will teach you, and I will train you, and I will show you how to be debt free. I will bless you beyond your means. I will bless you beyond your income. I will bless you beyond your salaries. I will bless you beyond anything you have ever known before…." —"And I Will Bless You Beyond Your Means" word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, July 9, 2007

4. Romans 13:8 (AMPC): "Keep out of debt!"
5. The moment you make the quality decision to live debt free, God sees you debt free!

A decision to be debt free takes you from what you can afford to what you desire.
It takes the limits off.
—Gloria Copeland

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The Blessing of Abraham

The Head and Not the Tail (Verses 13-14)

Day #160

A. The Head and Not the Tail—Above and Not Beneath

1. *Head* (HEB) = top, summit, upper part, chief, leader, captain
2. *Tail* (HEB) = end, stump, attacked in the rear, flapping
3. Deuteronomy 28:13 (NIV): "You will always be at the top, never at the bottom."
4. ESV: "You shall only go up and not down."
5. "Thou wilt rise more and more, and increase in wealth, power and dignity." —*Commentary on the Old Testament in Ten Volumes, Volume 1, the Pentateuch*

B. The Borrower Is a Slave to the Lender

1. Note the connection between Deuteronomy 28:12 and 28:13.
   a. Verse 12: "Thou shalt lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow."
   b. Verse 13: "The Lord shall make thee the head and not the tail; and thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath."
2. Proverbs 22:7 (ESV): "The rich rules over the poor, and the borrower is the slave of the lender."
3. The borrower becomes the tail and ends up subservient to the lender.
4. Deuteronomy 15:4-6 (NLT): "There should be no poor among you, for the Lord your God will greatly bless you in the land he is giving you as a special possession. You will receive this blessing if you are careful to obey all the commands of the Lord your God that I am giving you today. The Lord your God will bless you as he has promised. You will lend money to many nations but will never need to borrow. You will rule many nations, but they will not rule over you."
5. "God's blessing will eliminate poverty and the need for loans." —*The Chumash, Stone Edition*
6. Proverbs 22:7 (MSG): "The poor are always ruled over by the rich, so don't borrow and put yourself under their power."
7. The moment you make the quality decision to become debt free, God sees you debt free."

C. Keep Your Eyes on THE BLESSING

1. Deuteronomy 28:14 (MSG): "Don't swerve an inch to the right or left from the words that I command you today by going off following and worshiping other gods."
2. "You don't need other gods when you have Me!"
   a. "I will provide everything you need."
   b. "I will get you out of debt."
   c. "I will help you live debt free."

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3. Joshua 1:7 (NIV): "Be strong and very courageous. Be careful to obey all the law my servant Moses gave you; do not turn from it to the right or to the left, that you may be successful wherever you go."

Fear stops you at the gate of abundance. Faith keeps the gate of abundance wide open.
—Gloria Copeland

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Supernatural Provision

Faith for Supernatural Provision

Day #161

A. James 1:17—Faith for Supernatural Provision

1. "Rejoice and renew your faith in the supernatural. For it is time for the words and the faith and the preaching that has gone on before us to come to pass and come to full maturity. We will stand up and say, 'Surely the Glory has come down.'" —Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, Dec. 24, 2005
2. "Super-natural"
   a. *Super*—above, over, beyond, higher, surpassing; outside the natural realm.
   b. *Natural*—lower, below, limited to the earthly realm; conforming to the ordinary course of nature; something deduced by human reason alone rather than by divine revelation.
   c. *Supernatural*—something that takes place outside the natural world; above, over, higher and beyond the ordinary course of nature.
3. *Supernatural Provision*—an unlimited, overwhelming supply that comes from above.
   a. James 1:17 (AMPC): "Every good gift and every perfect (free, large, full) gift is from above; it comes down from the Father of all [that gives] light."
   b. MSG: "Every desirable and beneficial gift comes out of heaven."
4. It comes when the situation, paycheck, economy, job market and others are saying, "There is no way to meet this need. It is humanly impossible."
   a. "There's no end to it, and no rationing of it." —Gloria Copeland
5. God has unusual ways and unlimited avenues of provision that supersede all natural limitations.
6. Faith gives access to the supernatural.
7. "If you put things off in time and are looking through the natural progression of time, you can't operate in the supernatural. The supernatural only operates by faith and faith is a higher law than time." —Bill Winston, *The Supernatural Church*

B. Ephesians 3:20-21—Living in the Realm of Superabundance

1. AMPC: "Now to Him Who, by (in consequence of) the [action of His] power that is at work within us, is able to [carry out His purpose and] do superabundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams]—To Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations forever and ever. Amen (so be it)."
   a. "Faith will bring your dreams to pass." —Gloria Copeland
2. AMPC/GK/NIV: "God is able to do superabundantly, immeasurably more, quite beyond

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what is normal or regular, without limit and then some on top of that, exceeding abundantly above and infinitely beyond."

3. We are not limited to or affected by the natural realm.
4. Supernatural provision will un-fix a fixed income.
5. The Lord will supernaturally provide in ways we have never considered.
    a. See "21 Ways God Provides, 191 Scriptures", page 29.

C. Philippians 4:19—Where Does Supernatural Provision Come From?

1. But my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.
2. The Glory of God is the presence of God, heavy with everything good.
3. AMPC/GK: "My God will liberally supply, fill to the full, cram, furnish, satisfy, finish and complete all of your needs, employment, requirements, lack and business according to His riches, His wealth, His money and His possessions in Glory by Christ Jesus."
4. Supernatural provision supersedes the impossible.
5. "The supernatural takes us past the impossible, through the unbelievable, into the ridiculous. As God is bringing you into this supernatural, He's bringing you into a place where the supernatural is no longer an option, but it is going to be a requirement. For you to get what God has for you, it requires the supernatural." —Bill Winston, *The Supernatural Church*
    a. We access supernatural provision by faith.
    b. We can't operate in the supernatural if we put things off in time by looking through the veil of time and the natural progression of time.
    c. The supernatural only operates by faith—and faith is a higher law than time.
    d. Faith has only one time zone—*now!*
6. "We have already entered the supernatural environment that God has been looking for all these years." —Kenneth Copeland, July 1, 2014
7. "'There are things available to you right now in the realm of the spirit,' saith The LORD, 'that are far beyond your ability to reason it out. So lay aside the reason. Raise up your faith; exercise your faith and gratitude toward Me and I'll show you things that will take your mind a while to grasp.'" —Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, June 30, 2014

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Supernatural Provision

Our Supernatural Provider

Day #162

A. Philippians 4:19—Our Source of Our Supply

1. AMPC/GK: "My God will liberally supply, fill to the full, cram, furnish, satisfy, finish and complete all of your needs, employment, requirements, lack and business according to His riches, His wealth, His money and His possessions in Glory by Christ Jesus."
    a. "Heaven always has a good economy. That's where we receive from. It doesn't matter what's happening in the earth—we're not receiving from the earth. We're receiving from heaven. It's like we're already there because heaven is our home. We live in a heaven reality. We are in the flesh on the earth, but we live by the spirit." —Gloria Copeland
    b. Psalm 23:5: "…my cup runneth over."
2. Settle this today: God is my Supernatural Source!
3. *Source*—the point of origin, the beginning place
4. 1 Corinthians 8:6 (AMPC): "Yet for us there is [only] one God, the Father, Who is the Source of all things and for Whom we [have life], and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through and by Whom are all things and through and by Whom we [ourselves exist]."
5. "Don't look to the government for your supply. Don't look to other people for your supply. No, no. Pastors, don't look to your congregation for your supply. Jesus is our Source. The Blessing of Abraham is our supply. The Word is our supply." —Word from the Lord through Brother Copeland, Nov. 11, 2010
    a. "We found out it belongs to us, and we took what belongs to us." —Gloria Copeland

B. Genesis 22:1-14—Jehovah Jireh—Our Supernatural Provider

1. Verses 7-8: "But where is the lamb for a burnt offering? And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering."
2. Verse 13: "Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold behind him was a ram caught in a thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son."

a. Lifting up our eyes is symbolic of our faith—looking to our Provider in faith, to God, to heaven, to the Word, to the supernatural, from the impossible into all things of the spirit.

3. Verse 14: "And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovahjireh: as it is said to this day, In the mountain of the Lord, it shall be seen."
4. CEV: "Abraham named that place, 'The Lord Will Provide.' And even now people say, 'On the mountain of the Lord it will be provided.'"
5. MSG: "Abraham named that place God-Yireh (GOD-Sees-to-It). That's where we get the saying, 'On the mountain of God—he sees to it.'"

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C. The Lord God—My Supernatural Provider

1. One of the Names of God is "Provider."
   a. Everywhere you see His Name, add "my supernatural Provider" after it.
   b. This will renew your mind to God's supernatural provision.
2. Deuteronomy 28:8, 11-12 (AMPC)—The Blessing of Abraham
   a. Verse 8: The Lord [my supernatural Provider] shall command The Blessing upon me in my storehouse and in all that I undertake. And He [my supernatural Provider] will bless me in the land which the Lord my God [my supernatural Provider] gives me.
   b. Verse 11: And the Lord [my supernatural Provider] shall make me have a surplus of prosperity, through the fruit of my body, of my livestock, and of my ground, in the land which the Lord [my supernatural Provider] swore to my fathers to give me.
   c. Verse 12: The Lord [my supernatural Provider] shall open to me His good treasury, the heavens, to give the rain of my land in its season and to bless all the work of my hands; and I shall lend to many nations, but I shall not borrow.
3. Psalm 68:19: Blessed be the Lord [my supernatural Provider] who daily loads me with benefits, even the God [my supernatural Provider] of my salvation.
4. 2 Corinthians 9:8 (AMPC): And God [my supernatural Provider] is able to make all grace (every favor and earthly blessing) come to me in abundance, so that I may always and under all circumstances and whatever the need be self-sufficient [possessing enough to require no aid or support and furnished in abundance for every good work and charitable donation].
5. Our supernatural Provider has unusual ways and unlimited avenues of providing that supersede all natural limitations.

God's Great Storehouse

Word From the Lord Through Kenneth Copeland, Nov. 10, 2011

"I have a great storehouse. Much more has been stored up in the storehouse of riches beyond your wildest dream that I laid up for you before the foundation of the world. Much more is stored up there than what the Church has ever called for. I never have held back on the Church," saith The LORD and the God of plenty. "I've made it available to you. I put it in My WORD. I gave you promise and stood behind it with the blood—the precious blood of your Savior.

"But there has been a backwardness in My people about laying hold of the things that I have provided for you.

"But I will say this: There is a people in the land. There is a people around the world. There is a people strong and mighty growing much stronger and much mightier and more bold to lay hold and put their claim of faith on the things that I have laid up for them and it thrills Me," saith The LORD, "because it's been theirs all the time."

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Supernatural Provision

The Circle of Supernatural Provision

Day #163

A. Galatians 6:7-8—The Supernatural Act of Giving

1. AMPC: "For whatever a man sows, that and that only will he reap. For he who sows to his own flesh (lower nature, sensuality) will from the flesh reap decay and ruin and destruction, but he who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life."
2. Tithing and sowing are supernatural acts.
   a. They are not natural.
   b. They are ordained by God.
3. The supernatural act of tithing and sowing will result in a supernatural harvest of supernatural provision in spite of economic conditions.
   a. "If you aren't tithing and sowing, you're not living in the supernatural. That circle is broken when you quit tithing and sowing." —Gloria Copeland
4. The harvest is always much greater when dealing with the supernatural realm.
   a. Tithing results in the open windows of heaven.
   b. Sowing results in the hundredfold return.
5. "Financial inversion shall increase in these days. For you see, it is My desire to move in the realm of your financial prosperity. But release Me," saith the Lord, "release Me that I may come in your behalf and move in your behalf. As men walk in My Word, so shall they walk in the ways of The Lord. Oh yes, there will be some who say, 'Yes, but God's ways are higher, surely higher than our ways, and we can't walk in those ways.' It's true that the ways of God are higher. They are higher than your ways as the heavens are above the earth, but I'll teach you to walk in My ways. I never did say you couldn't walk in My ways. Now learn to walk in it. Learn to give. So shall the inversion of the financial system revert and so shall it be that the gospel of the kingdom shall be preached to all the world, and there shall be no lack in the kingdom. Those who give shall walk in the ways of the supernatural!" —Word from the Lord through Charles Capps, Feb. 1, 1978.

B. Malachi 3:10-13—Tithing Is a Supernatural Act

1. Malachi 3:10-12 (AMPC): "Bring all the tithes (the whole tenth of your income) into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house, and prove Me now by it, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it. And I will rebuke the devourer [insects and plagues] for your sakes and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground, neither shall your vine drop its fruit before the time in the field, says the Lord of hosts. And all nations shall call you happy and blessed, for you shall be a land of delight, says the Lord of hosts."

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2. Genesis 14:20, 15:1 (AMPC): After he tithed, "the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram, I am your Shield, your abundant compensation, and your reward shall be exceedingly great."
3. Example: KCM was experiencing a $1 million deficit. In January of 1984, Brother Copeland went to their prayer cabin in Arkansas to seek The Lord. The answer came. "Tithe KCM's income—10 percent off the top." It was not the answer he was expecting, but he willingly obeyed and the financial situation turned around. This supernatural act of tithing produced supernatural provision for Kenneth Copeland Ministries.

C. 2 Corinthians 9:6-8 (AMPC)—Sowing Is a Supernatural Act

1. Verse 6: "[Remember] this: he who sows sparingly and grudgingly will also reap sparingly and grudgingly, and he who sows generously [that blessings may come to someone] will also reap generously and with blessings."
2. Verse 7: "Let each one [give] as he has made up his own mind and purposed in his heart, not reluctantly or sorrowfully or under compulsion, for God loves (He takes pleasure in, prizes above other things, and is unwilling to abandon or to do without) a cheerful (joyous, "prompt to do it") giver [whose heart is in his giving]."
3. Verse 8: "And God is able to make all grace (every favor and earthly blessing) come to you in abundance, so that you may always and under all circumstances and whatever the need be self-sufficient [possessing enough to require no aid or support and furnished in abundance for every good work and charitable donation]."
4. Genesis 26:12-13 (NIV): "Isaac planted crops in that land and the same year reaped a hundredfold, because the Lord blessed him. The man became rich, and his wealth continued to grow until he became very wealthy."
5. Sowing is a supernatural act that produces supernatural provision.

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Supernatural Provision

Supernatural Provision in the Old Testament—Part 1

Day #164

A. Genesis 26:12-14—Supernatural Return (Isaac Reaped in Famine)

1. Psalm 37:18-19 (NLT): "Day by day the Lord takes care of the innocent, and they will receive an inheritance that lasts forever. They will not be disgraced in hard times; even in famine they will have more than enough."
    a. "The hundredfold return is never affected by the government or the times we live in." —Gloria Copeland
2. This was a supernatural yield; even in the most fertile regions of Israel, the harvest was no greater than twenty-five to fiftyfold.
3. Genesis 26:13 (NLT): "He became a very rich man, and his wealth continued to grow."
4. Genesis 26:28-29: The men saw that THE BLESSING was on Isaac—they had to admit it!
5. "If you're doing it right, THE BLESSING can be seen." —Gloria Copeland

B. Exodus 16:11-15—Supernatural Supply (Wilderness Provisions)

1. Psalm 78:23-29 (NLT): "But he commanded the skies to open; he opened the doors of heaven. He rained down manna for them to eat; he gave them bread from heaven. They ate the food of angels! God gave them all they could hold. He released the east wind in the heavens and guided the south wind by his mighty power. He rained down meat as thick as dust—birds as plentiful as the sand on the seashore! He caused the birds to fall within their camp and all around their tents. The people ate their fill. He gave them what they craved."
2. Deuteronomy 29:5 (AMPC): "I have led you forty years in the wilderness; your clothes have not worn out upon you, and your sandals have not worn off your feet."
    a. Proverbs 8:17-21—Durable riches (verse 18)
3. Deuteronomy 2:7 (NLT): "For the Lord your God has blessed you in everything you have done. He has watched your every step through this great wilderness. During these forty years, the Lord your God has been with you, and you have lacked nothing."

C. Leviticus 26:4-5, 9-10—Supernatural Harvest

1. Verse 9 (AMPC): "For I will be leaning toward you with favor and regard for you, rendering you fruitful, multiplying you, and establishing and ratifying My covenant with you."
2. Verse 10 (MSG): "You'll still be eating from last year's harvest when you have to clean out the barns to make room for the new crops."
    a. NLT-96: "You will have such a surplus of crops that you will need to get rid of the leftovers from the previous year to make room for each new harvest."

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3. Amos 9:13 (NLT): "'The time will come,' says the Lord, 'when the grain and grapes will grow faster than they can be harvested. Then the terraced vineyards on the hills of Israel will drip with sweet wine!'"
    a. MSG: "'Yes indeed, it won't be long now.' God's Decree. 'Things are going to happen so fast your head will swim, one thing fast on the heels of the other. You won't be able to keep up. Everything will be happening at once—and everywhere you look, blessings! Blessings like wine pouring off the mountains and hills.'"

D. 1 Kings 17:1-6—Supernatural Meals (Elijah Fed by Ravens)

1. Verse 4 (NKJV): "I have commanded the ravens to feed you."
    a. Matthew 10:29: "Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? and one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father?"
    b. *Fall* (GK) = shall not land without your Father's permission
2. "These provisions were ready prepared, the bread made and baked, and the flesh boiled, broiled, or roasted." (From *John Gill's Exposition of the Old Testament, Volume 2)*
3. A minister was sharing how he spoke to the birds to bring him money based upon 1 Kings 17. He began finding money around the house after he went outside and hollered at the birds. A 15-year-old was so impressed with this story that he decided to try it. He wanted $10.00 for missions. He went outside, spoke to the birds and commanded them to put the money in the backyard tree. Over the next two months, he collected $440.00 in the tree.

E. 1 Kings 17:8-16—Supernatural Provision (Continual Supply of Flour and Oil)

1. Verse 13: "Make me a cake first and bring it to me."
    a. Elijah activated her faith.
    b. He had her bring the tithe so he could bless it.
2. Verse 15: "She, and he, and her house, did eat *a full year*" (KJV cross-reference, *Kenneth Copeland Reference Edition Bible).*
3. Verse 16 (NLT-96): No matter how much they used, there was always enough left in the containers, just as the Lord had promised through Elijah.
    a. NIV: "For the jar of flour was not used up and the jug of oil did not run dry, in keeping with the word of the Lord spoken by Elijah."

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Supernatural Provision

Supernatural Provision in the Old Testament—Part 2

Day #165

A. 1 Kings 19:4-8—Supernatural Sustenance (Food Sustained Elijah for 40 Days)

1. "The natural is limited to natural ways, but the supernatural is unlimited in supernatural ways." —Gloria Copeland
2. This kind of provision is available to all believers—especially when the situation, job market, paycheck, economy and others are saying, "There's no way to meet this need. It is humanly impossible."
3. "The stones hereabout might be heated by a supernatural power and the cake baked on them by an angel." —*John Gill's Exposition of the Old Testament, Volume 2*
4. Verse 8: "And he arose, and did eat and drink, and went in the strength of that meat forty days and forty nights unto Horeb the mount of God."
5. "All this while he had no other sustenance than what he had taken under the juniper tree, from whence he set out, which must be supernatural; for it is said a man cannot live without food beyond seven days, for food either staying in his stomach all this while, or however the nutritive virtue of it, by which he was supported and held out till he came to Horeb." —*John Gill's Exposition of the Old Testament, Volume 2*

B. 2 Kings 4:1-7—Supernatural Debt Cancellation (Widow Avoids Bankruptcy)

1. Verse 2: Elisha asked, "What do you have? Give me a seed to work with."
2. Verses 3-6: "Borrow as many pots as you can, pour into them until they are full and then pour into the next one." The oil stopped pouring when they ran out of pots.
3. Verse 7: She made enough money selling the oil that she paid the creditor, saved her children and lived the rest of her life off the remaining oil sale.

C. 2 Kings 4:42-44—Supernatural Multiplication (Food Multiplied to Feed 100)

1. Verse 42: He brought his tithe to the man of God to bless.
2. Verse 43 (NLT): "'What?' his servant exclaimed. 'Feed a hundred people with only this?' But Elisha repeated, 'Give it to the people so they can eat, for this is what the Lord says: Everyone will eat, and there will even be some left over!'"
3. Verse 44 (NLT): "And when they gave it to the people, there was plenty for all and some left over, just as the Lord had promised."

D. 2 Kings 7:1-2—Supernatural Acceleration (Tomorrow at This Time)

1. Verse 1: "To morrow about this time"—24 hours from now.

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2. Verse 2 (NLT): "The officer assisting the king said to the man of God, 'That couldn't happen even if the Lord opened the windows of heaven!' But Elisha replied, 'You will see it happen with your own eyes, but you won't be able to eat any of it!'"
    a. What keeps us from the supernatural?
        i. Time—don't put what God has done off into the future.
        ii. Unbelief—the supernatural only operates by faith.
3. Verse 18—The famine was over 24 hours later.
    a. There was plenty for all.
    b. It was cheap.

E. Job 42:12-17—Supernatural Restoration (Job's Life Turned Around)

1. MSG: "God blessed Job's later life even more than his earlier life. He ended up with fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, one thousand teams of oxen, and one thousand donkeys."
2. MSG: "He also had seven sons and three daughters. He named the first daughter Dove, the second, Cinnamon, and the third, Darkeyes. There was not a woman in that country as beautiful as Job's daughters. Their father treated them as equals with their brothers, providing the same inheritance."
3. MSG: "Job lived on another 140 years, living to see his children and grandchildren—four generations of them!"

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Supernatural Provision in the New Testament

Day #166

A. Matthew 17:24-27—Supernatural Payment (Tax Relief)

1. Genesis 1:28—Have dominion over the fish of the sea.
2. Jesus was operating in the word of knowledge.
3. Isaiah 45:3 (MSG): "I will lead you to buried treasures, secret caches of valuables—confirmations that it is, in fact, I, God, the God of Israel, who calls you by your name."
    a. *Cache*—a collection of items stored in a hidden or inaccessible place
    b. Stockpile, supply, reserve, arsenal

B. Mark 11, 14—Supernatural Transportation and Housing

1. Mark 11:1-6: "The Lord has need of this donkey."
2. Mark 14:13-16—A furnished upper room
3. Isaiah 55:1: "Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price."

C. Luke 5:1-11—Supernatural Harvest (Great Catch of Fish)

1. This was the harvest from Jesus' use of Peter's boat.
2. Peter didn't plan for the supernatural.
    a. He let down only one broken net.
    b. Faith plans for more than enough.
    c. If we are expecting the supernatural, we will get it.
3. Jesus stimulated the Galilee fishing industry.
    a. It was in a slump.
    b. That day, the fish market exploded!
    c. Peter's business was on the verge of bankruptcy.
    d. Jesus saw to it that the family business would thrive in Peter's absence as a disciple.

D. John 2:1-11—Supernatural Replenishment (Water Into Wine)

1. Jesus supernaturally turned 180 gallons of water into wine.
2. He supernaturally jumped the natural steps and dominated the time constraints of producing wine.
    a. Plant seed.
    b. Wait nine months for the vine to grow.

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   c. Harvest the grapes.
   d. Mash the grapes.
   e. Let the wine ferment (the longer the time, the better the wine).
3. Verse 10 (MSG): "You've saved the best till now!"
   a. A $320,000 bottle has been fermenting for 200 years!
   b. Jesus produced the best.
   c. The guests couldn't possibly drink it all.
   d. It was a wedding gift from Jesus.
   e. They would sell it and not have to work their first year.
4. Genesis 1:28: Replenish the earth—if it runs out, fill it back up.
5. John 2:11: This was the beginning of miracles—a supernatural intervention in the ordinary course of events.

E. John 6:5-14—Supernatural Distribution (Five Thousand Fed)

1. Verse 5 (NLT): "Where can we buy bread to feed all these people?"
   a. Philip was limited in his believing.
   b. Verse 7 (NLT): "Even if we worked for months, we wouldn't have enough money to feed them."
   c. Jesus was teaching His disciples how to use their faith for supernatural provision.
2. Verse 11: Jesus distributed the loaves and fishes to the disciples, and the disciples distributed the loaves and fishes to the people.
   a. They were doing the same supernatural work as Jesus.
   b. They had the same faith Jesus had—to feed 20,000 people!
   c. Note the connection between thanksgiving and the supernatural.
3. "You are going to be the ones that God uses to supernaturally feed the lost when disasters come. Only, it is not going to be like it was in the past. In many cases, you are not even going to need the trucks and airplanes. In a lot of cases, you are just going to take one little meal and divide it and divide it and divide it." —Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, Nov. 19, 2005.

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Supernatural Provision

Supernatural Wealth Transfer

Day #167

We are not natural people. We're supernatural people. We're born of God!
—Gloria Copeland

A. Proverbs 13:22—The Wealth of the Sinner Is Laid Up for the Just

"Financial Inversion Shall Increase in These Days"—Word from the Lord through Charles Capps, Feb. 1, 1978

1. "Financial inversion shall increase in these days. For you see, it is My desire to move in the realm of your financial prosperity. But release Me, saith the Lord, release Me that I may come in your behalf and move on your behalf.
2. "For yes, there shall be in this hour financial distress here and there. The economy shall go up and it will go down; but those who learn to walk in the Word, they shall see the prosperity of the Word come forth in this hour in a way that has not been seen by men in days past.
3. "Yes, there's coming a financial inversion in the world's system. It's been held in reservoirs of wicked men for days on end. But the end is nigh.
4. "Those reservoirs shall be tapped and shall be drained into the gospel of Jesus Christ.
5. "It shall be done in the time allotted and so shall it be that the Word of the Lord shall come to pass that the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just."

B. Psalm 105:37: "He brought them forth also with silver and gold: and there was not one feeble person among their tribes."

"The Largest, Most Significant Wealth Transfer"—Word From the Lord Through Kenneth Copeland, March 8, 2012

1. "The largest, most significant transfer of property, goods, wealth and people from the hands of the devil into the hands of God's people who are prepared to receive it.
2. "I am telling you, the biggest transfer of property in the history of mankind has just begun and it is swinging into....
3. "It has moved over into its final stage, saith The LORD.
4. "And those who will listen to Me and follow Me and trust Me—those who I have taught My WORD and have given the authority to walk in these things, it is the most outstanding thing that human eyes have ever seen.
5. "And the time is now. Your time has come. Your hour has come. So rise and do those things by faith that you know to do and all that belongs to heaven will come into your hands for your joy."

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C. James 5:1-3—Last Days Wealth Transfer

Excerpts from "Supernatural Wealth Transfer" by Bill Winston

1. "[God is] restoring the earth back into the hands of its rightful owners, as well as restoring the power or Blessing to govern it. Because of Adam's sin, the earth was not in the hands of God's family. Now, God is working His redemptive plan to get it all back...what I refer to as a SUPERNATURAL transfer of wealth.
2. "As we get closer to our Lord's return, there is an invasion of the kingdom of heaven into this world—the imposing of God's will on the plans of the devil. Earthly systems, laws, rules, policies and values must now come in line with Heaven's order or Heaven's Government, the Government of the Kingdom of God. Psalm 103:19 (ESV).... His kingdom rules over all.
3. "One of the major things coming in this hour is an EXPLOSION OF WEALTH in the Body of Christ. Through divine favor, witty inventions and the grace of giving, we are at the season of the greatest WEALTH TRANSFER in the history of this planet. There will be inventions that make the iPhone® seem like child's play.
4. "This is a prophetic time in history, the same as the 'set-time' that triggered the release of the children of Israel from Egyptian bondage. This is a season when, what happened then is happening now. It is a set-time or a season which is the consummation of something pledged or promised by God. The reservoirs of the wicked will now be drained, and as the Babylonian system of the world fails, the system of the Kingdom of God will prevail.
5. "We are even going to see money supernaturally transfer into the bank accounts of the people of God. Why the transfer of wealth? Mainly for the advancing of the kingdom and bringing in the end-time harvest of souls. God needs the wealth in our hands to fulfill the call that is on our lives for this generation—to reclaim what Jesus redeemed."

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Supernatural Provision

Supernatural Debt Cancellation

Day #168

A. Luke 4:14-21—Three Ways God Supernaturally Removes Debt

1. He provides the finances.
2. He removes the debt.
3. He moves upon others.
    a. Faith never puts pressure on others.

B. He Provides the Finances

1. 2 Kings 4:1-7 (NLT) "…sell the olive oil and pay your debts, and you and your sons can live on what is left over."
2. Luke 5:1-11—Simon Peter's fishing business avoided bankruptcy after Jesus told him where to drop the nets.
3. Matthew 17:24-27—Taxes were paid from money in a fish's mouth.

C. He Removes the Debt

1. Nehemiah 5:1-13—Nehemiah canceled the debts of the poor Jews.
2. Matthew 18:23-27—The king forgave his servant of the 10,000 talents.
3. Matthew 6:12—Key point: forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
4. Colossians 2:13-14 (AMPC): Jesus "cancelled and blotted out and wiped away the handwriting of the note…with its legal decrees and demands. He set aside and cleared completely out of our way by nailing it to [His] cross."
5. Luke 16:1-7—He reduces the debt.
    a. EMIC testimony—debt reduced 75 percent (from $6,500 down to $1,600)

D. He Moves Upon Others

1. Philemon 18-19 (AMPC): "If he has done you any wrong in any way, or owes anything [to you], charge that to my account. I, Paul, write it with my own hand—I promise to pay it [in full]…."
2. Luke 10:30-37: The Samaritan took out two pence and gave them to the owner of the inn and said to him, "Take care of him. Whatever else you have to spend, I will pay it back in full when I return."
3. God is the One who moves upon a person—not you.
    a. Faith puts no pressure on others.

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b. Faith puts pressure on the Word of the covenant.
c. Faith says, "God is my source."
d. Luke 6:38—You give, and it will be given to you.

E. Word From the Lord Through Brother Copeland

July 9, 2007, Anaheim, Calif.

1. "The manifestation of THE BLESSING is at an all-time high. You are approaching a 'Blessing manifestation of glory' that is an explosion in ways and intensity that the human race has never seen before.
2. "THE BLESSING will surround you. THE BLESSING will encase you. You will learn to walk in the secret place of the Most High God, blessed in His Blessing, blessed in His glory, blessed in your comings, blessed in your goings and blessed in your pocketbook.
3. "All debt will have to get up and leave you the way leprosy left the lepers of old.
4. "Debt is financial sickness. It is financial leprosy. It is an attempt to do with the natural world's monies and abilities what I created THE BLESSING to do for you. Only, it is a burden and not a blessing. Debt is part of the curse.
5. "If you will begin to confess the Word, you will be shocked and thrilled at how quickly you will have the glory arise and drive the debt out of your life.
6. "If you will bring your tithe to Me and spend time with Me, tithing that tithe to Me, I will teach you and I will train you and I will show you how to be debt free. I will bless you beyond your means. I will bless you beyond your income. I will bless you beyond your salaries. I will bless you beyond anything you have ever known before. I will show you things that you have never heard of before.
7. "You will take advantage of those things and be financially blessed. I will bring such a financial blessing upon you that you won't have any idea where it came from. It has come to an explosive place.
8. "I am ready, saith the Lord, if you will begin to confess it, walk in it and make it a priority in your life. Then, the glory will manifest in the midst and you will give Me praise. I will come and visit you and together, we will have a grand time.

We're assuming that you're acting on the Word, believing the Word, saying the Word, acting on it. When we say "you can live debt free," you can't do it in your own strength. But if you take the Word, put it in your eyes and your ears, put it down in your heart, bring it out of your mouth, and have the patience to bring it forth, it'll come to pass. It will come to pass! But you can't just say, "OK, I believe I'm going to be debt free" and it happen. It'll happen, but you're going to have to use your faith.

—Gloria Copeland

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Supernatural Provision

Receiving Your Supernatural House

Day #169

A supernatural house is the best kind of house because it has no debt.
Since it's supernatural, you might as well build what you want without sparing!
—Gloria Copeland

A. Ephesians 3:20—A Home Beyond Your Highest Dreams

1. AMPC: "Now to Him Who, by (in consequence of) the [action of His] power that is at work within us, is able to [carry out His purpose and] do superabundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams]."
2. A supernatural house is one that is, "superabundantly, far over and above all that you would dare ask or think—a home that is infinitely beyond your highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes or dreams."
3. Psalm 35:27 (AMPC): "Let those who favor my righteous cause and have pleasure in my uprightness shout for joy and be glad and say continually, Let the Lord be magnified, Who takes pleasure in the prosperity of His servant."
4. The Lord cares about the kind of home you live in and takes great pleasure in your surroundings.
    a. Genesis 2:8 (AMPC): "And the Lord God planted a garden toward the east, in Eden [delight]; and there He put the man whom He had formed (framed, constituted)."
    b. *Eden* (HEB) = the region of Adam's home; House of Pleasure, a place of luxury
5. The Garden of Eden was God's original intent for our earthly homes.
    a. Our homes should be a refuge.
    b. A supernatural place that ministers the life of God.

B. Isaiah 32:18—Your Supernatural House

1. NIV: "My people will live in peaceful dwelling places, in secure homes, in undisturbed places of rest."
    a. MSG: "My people will live in a peaceful neighborhood—in safe houses, in quiet gardens."
    b. NLT: "My people will live in safety, quietly at home. They will be at rest.
2. Psalm 107:7 (AMPC): "He led them forth by the straight and right way, that they might go to a city where they could establish their homes."

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a. MSG: "He put your feet on a wonderful road that took you straight to a good place to live."
b. There's an address looking for you!

3. 2 Samuel 7:27 (NIV): "Lord Almighty, God of Israel, you have revealed this to your servant, saying, 'I will build a house for you.'"
   a. "We began believing God for the perfect home when we lived in Tulsa, Okla., in 1968. At the same time, there was a lady in Fort Worth, Texas, who started building her home. It was several years before I saw that home, but the floor plan was exactly what we needed to meet our needs as a family. It was perfect for us. She began to build it at the very time we began to believe for it. God started to work immediately."
   b. After moving back to Fort Worth, Kenneth and Gloria looked at the house. The owners tried to sell it, even give it away—but it was given back.
   c. "They couldn't even give it away! That was our home!" —Excerpts from Gloria Copeland, *God's Will Is Prosperity.*
   d. God begins to work on your behalf as soon as you release your faith. You release it when you pray.
4. 1 Chronicles 28:19 (MSG): "Here are the blueprints for the whole project as God gave me to understand it."
5. 2 Samuel 7:10 (NIV): "And I will provide a place for my people Israel and will plant them so that they can have a home of their own and no longer be disturbed. Wicked people will not oppress them anymore, as they did at the beginning."
   a. Psalm 18:19 (AMPC): "He brought me forth also into a large place; He was delivering me because He was pleased with me and delighted in me."
   b. HEB—A roomy place with wide expanses
   c. NIV—A spacious place

C. Psalm 112:1-3—Your Supernatural Furnishings

1. Kenneth Copeland, *From Faith to Faith—A Daily Guide to Victory*

   I'll never forget the time Gloria discovered that scripture. We didn't have any money at the time, and the walls in our house were as bare as they could be. But she was ready to decorate. So she took that promise, "Wealth and riches shall be in his house" and laid claim to it by faith.

   Suddenly, everywhere we went, somebody was giving us a painting or some other little treasure for our house.

   Unfortunately, most believers aren't as quick to believe God for that kind of thing as Gloria was. Some even claim God doesn't promise us New Testament believers physical prosperity, just spiritual. But the truth is, you can't separate the two. That's why Jesus says, "If you'll seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, then all these [material] things will be added to you." He knows the spiritual realm and the material realm are connected.

   The physical world cannot operate independently from the spiritual world. What happens in one is simply a reflection of what happens in the other.

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Obviously, your spiritual standing profoundly affects your financial standing. That's why, when you get hold of the gospel and begin to prosper spiritually, you can begin to prosper physically and materially as well.

Don't let anyone talk you out of God's promises of prosperity. You don't have to choose between financial and spiritual prosperity. Both belong to you. Lay claim to them by faith. As a born-again child of God, dare to reach out and receive the riches that belong to you!

2. Deuteronomy 6:10-11 (NIV): "When the Lord your God brings you into the land he swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, to give you—a land with large, flourishing cities you did not build, houses filled with all kinds of good things you did not provide, wells you did not dig, and vineyards and olive groves you did not plant—then when you eat and are satisfied."
    a. Verse 11 (MSG): "Well-furnished houses you didn't buy."
    b. NLT: "The houses will be richly stocked with goods you did not produce."
3. Proverbs 24:3-4 (NIV): "By wisdom a house is built, and through understanding it is established; through knowledge its rooms are filled with rare and beautiful treasures."
    a. Verse 4 (MSG): "It takes knowledge to furnish its rooms with fine furniture and beautiful drapes."
    b. NLT: "Through knowledge its rooms are filled with all sorts of precious riches and valuables."
    c. Proverbs 15:6 (AMPC): "In the house of the [uncompromisingly] righteous is great [priceless] treasure."

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Supernatural Provision

Agents of Supernatural Provision

Day #170

You are going to be the ones that God uses to supernaturally feed the lost when disasters come. Only, it is not going to be like it was in the past. In many cases, you are not even going to need the trucks and airplanes. In a lot of cases, you are just going to take one little meal and divide it and divide it and divide it.

—Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, Nov. 19, 2005

A. 2 Kings 4:42-44—The Man from Baal-Shalisha Became an Agent of Supernatural Provision

1. Verse 42 (NLT): "One day a man from Baal-shalishah brought the man of God a sack of fresh grain and twenty loaves of barley bread made from the first grain of his harvest. Elisha said, 'Give it to the people so they can eat.'"
2. Verse 43 (NLT): "'What?' his servant exclaimed. 'Feed a hundred people with only this?' But Elisha repeated, 'Give it to the people so they can eat, for this is what the Lord says: Everyone will eat, and there will even be some left over!'"
    a. "We have to get to the place where we can't even think lack." —Tommy Wilson
3. Verse 44 (NLT): "And when they gave it to the people, there was plenty for all and some left over, just as the Lord had promised."
4. Elisha used the man as an agent of supernatural provision.
5. Supernatural multiplication went through his hands for others.

B. John 6:5-11—The Disciples Became Agents of Supernatural Provision

1. NLT: "Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks to God, and distributed them to the people. Afterward he did the same with the fish. And they all ate as much as they wanted."
2. This translation (as well as others) is incorrect.
3. Jesus gave the fish and loaves to the disciples, and the disciples then distributed them to the people.
4. The disciples became part of the supernatural multiplication and distribution right along with Jesus.
5. The supernatural provision was going through their hands.

C. 2 Corinthians 9:8—We Are Agents of Supernatural Provision

1. There are two kinds of supernatural provision.
    a. Supernatural provision that is for us
    b. Supernatural provision that comes through us

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2. Exodus 16—The children of Israel murmured and complained in the wilderness.
    a. They required manna and quail from heaven.
    b. They were relying on Moses' faith.
3. This is a time to develop our faith and grow up.
    a. We can't stay babies forever.
    b. We have to exercise our own faith.
4. There comes a time when we believe God to be "Agents of Supernatural Provision."
    a. We become distributors.
    b. Our motivation for accumulation is supernatural distribution.
5. 2 Corinthians 9:8 (AMPC): "And God is able to make all grace (every favor and earthly blessing) come to you in abundance, so that you may always and under all circumstances and whatever the need be self-sufficient [possessing enough to require no aid or support and furnished in abundance for every good work and charitable donation]."
    a. We will supernaturally provide for others.
    b. We will supernaturally give a car to someone.
    c. We will supernaturally buy a home for someone.
    d. We will supernaturally pay off someone's debt.
    e. We will supernaturally multiply "fish and loaves" during times of crisis.

Supernatural Provision Confession

I am thriving—
not just surviving.

I am flourishing—
and not failing.

I believe I receive
supernatural provision,
an unlimited, overwhelming
supply that comes from above.

Provision is coming to me
from a higher place,
in a higher way,
from God's riches in glory.

I am not limited
to this natural world.

I expect God to provide.
I believe all things are possible.

My mind is being renewed
to His supernatural provision,
because He is
my supernatural Provider.

In Jesus' Name!

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Prospering in Tough Times

A World in Trouble

Day #171

When the going gets tough, the tough get going—that's us!
—Gloria Copeland

A. 2 Timothy 3:1—Perilous Times Are Here

1. "This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come."
2. *Perilous* (GK) = Difficult, dark, dangerous, furious, fierce, hard to take, troublesome, savage, tough
3. NRSV: "You must understand this, that in the last days distressing times will come."
4. AMPC: "But understand this, that in the last days will come (set in) perilous times of great stress and trouble [hard to deal with and hard to bear]."
5. We are now in those end times.
    a. The world is in serious trouble.
    b. John 17:16: "They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world."

B. Colossians 1:12-14—Transferred From One Kingdom to Another

1. *Translated* (GK) = To transfer, to carry away, to remove from one place to another
2. We have to adjust our words, thoughts and actions to the Kingdom we've been translated to, or we'll keep living in the dark.
3. Verse 13 (AMPC): "[The Father] has delivered and drawn us to Himself out of the control and the dominion of darkness and has transferred us into the kingdom of the Son of His love."
4. Verses 13-14 (NLT): "For He has rescued us from the kingdom of darkness and transferred us into the Kingdom of His dear Son, who purchased our freedom and forgave our sins."
5. 1 Peter 2:9 (NIV-84): "But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light."
    a. Darkness is lack, poverty and shortage.
    b. We have been redeemed from this curse.

C. Psalm 9:9-10—We Are Not Subject to the Times

1. AMPC: "The Lord also will be a refuge and a high tower for the oppressed, a refuge and a stronghold in times of trouble (high cost, destitution, and desperation). And they

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who know Your name [who have experience and acquaintance with Your mercy] will lean on and confidently put their trust in You, for You, Lord, have not forsaken those who seek (inquire of and for) You [on the authority of God's Word and the right of their necessity]."

2. We are not subject to the times we live in.
3. We are not subject to nor do we live under the dominion, rule, control or influence of whichever way the economy and the world system is going at the moment.
4. The times are subject to the authority of the Word, to the Blood and to the Name of Jesus spoken and acted upon by the believer.
5. The times are subject to us.
6. We are governed by another economy and another system—the kingdom of God.
7. In that Kingdom system, we have victory over lack.
8. In troubled times, we are to thrive and flourish—not just survive and barely get by.
9. In times of trouble, when the cost of living is so high—times of desperation where people are losing their homes and assets, and are accumulating great debt, God has promised to be our Refuge and High Tower.
10. He will lift us up and over every economic downturn.
11. Look to Him—not to the banks, your employer or people.
12. God has a covenant determination to prosper us. All we must do is believe and receive.
13. How do we prosper in these times? THE BLESSING
14. We are not subject to the curse, we are subject to THE BLESSING.
15. Proverbs 10:22: "The blessing of the Lord, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it."

We must get our minds renewed to the reality of the kingdom of God
and who we are in that kingdom.
—Bill Winston, *Kingdom Principles: Operating Above the System of the World*

Don't tell me what the kingdom can't do. It can do it and can be used specifically
to cut through anything and get you anything you want,
independent of what is going on in the world's system.
—Bill Winston, *Kingdom Principles: Operating Above the System of the World*

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Prospering in Tough Times

The Separation Effect

Day #172

A. Colossians 1:12-14—We Are Not Subject to the Times

1. We no longer live under the dominion, rule, control or influence of whatever direction the world system is going.
2. We are now subject to and governed by another economy and another system called the kingdom of God.
3. We have to learn how to operate in this new Kingdom. The responsibility is on us to find out what the Word says and do it.
4. The times are subject to us.
5. We are subject to the authority of God's Word, the blood of Jesus and the Name of Jesus.

B. John 17:13-17—Jesus Separated Us From the World's Failing System

1. Verse 14—We are not of this world's system.
2. Verse 15—Keep them from this world's evil.
   a. Matthew 6:13: "And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen."
   b. Galatians 1:4: "Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father."
   c. 2 Peter 1:4 (AMPC): "By means of these [precious promises] He has bestowed on us His precious and exceedingly great promises, so that through them you may escape [by flight] from the moral decay (rottenness and corruption) that is in the world because of covetousness (lust and greed), and become sharers (partakers) of the divine nature."
   d. 1 John 5:18 (NKJV): "...the wicked one does not touch him."
3. Verse 16—We are as separated from this world's system as Jesus.
4. Verse 17—Sanctify (separate, cut away from) them from the world through the Word.
5. Malachi 3:11—Tithers and sowers have a covenant of protection from what's going on in the world. God will rebuke the devourer!

C. Everything Is Going to Be ALL RIGHT in the Household of Faith

Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland at the Southwest Believers' Convention, August 6, 2010

1. "The world is in serious trouble. But for the household of faith and those that will cling to My WORD…everything is going to be ALL RIGHT.

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2. "The world…is in serious trouble. Some very hard things are coming in different places around the world.… They're that way now but they'll not get better. They will continue to get worse and worse. It is on a downhill run that the world cannot stop. But for the household of faith everything's going to be ALL RIGHT.
3. "You'll have to make a stand. You'll have to fight the good fight of faith. But, when did you not have to do that? These are dangerous times. They're dangerous times financially. They're dangerous times in the earth because the earth is weighted under a gross weight of sin. There are things and places and situations underneath the earth, in the oceans, and in the heavens, things are being rattled and shaken. The earth is trying to break apart in different places.
4. "Stand on My WORD and it will not come nigh you. Praise and worship My Name. Don't feed and feed and feed fear and trouble into your life and into your mouth.… Quit living in that house. Get on back over here in the household of faith. Feed on My WORD; not on the bread of sorrow.… Look in My face.… Praise and worship and preach The WORD. Praise and worship and preach The WORD. Everything is going to be ALL RIGHT.
5. "…Your time has come. It is your time to excel. It is your time to do exceeding, extraordinary things in the financial world, in the medical world, in all of the areas where the world is in such dire trouble and so confused that they're confused beyond their ability to understand how confused they really are. And they're hurting because of it. They are crying out because of it…."
6. For those in the household of faith, everything is going to be ALL RIGHT!

The Babylonian world system of finances, health care and everything is a failure.
The kingdom of God will work separately from the control of that Babylonian world system.
We can function and affect the world without being controlled by the world.
—Kenneth Copeland, *Kingdom Principles: Operating Above the System of the World*

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Prospering in Tough Times

Same Conditions, Different Results

Day #173

Make up your mind that you will prosper at all times!
—Pastor George Pearsons

A. Psalm 37:25-26—We Always Prosper Through Tough Times

1. NIV-84: "I was young and now I am old, yet I have never seen the righteous forsaken or their children begging bread. They are always generous and lend freely; their children will be blessed."
2. Survival Reality Shows
   a. Leave someone in a desolate remote location.
   b. Supplies are limited.
   c. Their diet consists of tree roots and bugs.
   d. Conditions are barely tolerable and sleep is rare.
   e. They are living in "survival mode."
3. Many Christians are living this same way.
   a. "I would be happy if I could just tread water and maintain."
   b. "Times are tough and we just need to hunker down and weather the storm."
4. In tough economic times, we don't just survive—we thrive.
5. In tough economic times, we refuse to fail—we flourish.

B. Jeremiah 17:5-6—This Man Was Barely Surviving

1. This example took place during an economic downturn.
2. They were in the midst of a serious drought.
   a. Exact same conditions
   b. Entirely different results
3. The man was cursed because he did not trust God and he leaned on his own ability to meet his needs.
4. He became like the heath in the desert—a stunted shrub.
5. He was barely surviving—no fruit, no hope, no future.

C. Jeremiah 17:7-8, 10—This Man Was Gloriously Thriving

1. This man was blessed because he stood on the Word and believed God for a full supply, in spite of the conditions.
2. He was like a deep-rooted tree, planted by the river.

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3. He didn't even notice the adverse conditions—they didn't affect him.
4. In spite of the "year of drought," he never stopped producing fruit—he was successfully thriving.
5. Verse 8 (MSG): "They're like trees replanted in Eden, putting down roots near the rivers—never a worry through the hottest of summers, never dropping a leaf, serene and calm through droughts, bearing fresh fruit every season."
6. Verse 10—The Lord knows your heart. Even if you're saying the right things on the outside, He sees whether you're trusting in Him or in man.
7. In a test and trial, it's vital what you do. What you do comes from what you think—you must renew your mind.

"Something may be coming in the economy. Whatever it may be, if a person is operating in kingdom principles, it will be just like they're in the ark at the time of the flood of Noah. The worse the conditions get, the higher Noah rose. The worse things get, the higher kingdom people will rise in prominence in the earth."

—Bill Winston, K*ingdom Principles: Operating Above the System of the World*

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Flourishing in Tough Times

Day #174

A. Jeremiah 17:5-8—We Flourish in Spite of the Times

1. The cursed man
   a. He trusts himself.
   b. He has no heart for God.
2. The result
   a. He is like a naked tree and a stunted shrub.
   b. No fruit, no hope, no future
3. The blessed man
   a. He trusts God.
   b. He has a heart for God.
4. The result
   a. He is like a thriving, productive, deep-rooted tree by the river.
   b. He has no worry, fear or concern.
   c. He constantly produces fruit, in spite of the economy.
   d. Verse 8 (MSG): "They're like trees replanted in Eden, putting down roots near the rivers—Never a worry through the hottest of summers, never dropping a leaf, serene and calm through droughts, bearing fresh fruit every season."
5. Verse 8—Her leaf shall be green.
   a. *Green* (HEB) = To flourish
   b. We flourish during tough economic times.
   c. *Flourish*—Prosper, grow luxuriant
   d. *Luxuriant* (The Free Dictionary)
      i. Characterized by rich or profuse growth
      ii. Producing or yielding in abundance
      iii. Excessively florid or elaborate
      iv. English Dictionary: Extremely productive or fertile

B. Psalm 92:12-15—The Righteous Flourish

1. *Flourish* (HEB) = To flower, blossom, break forth, spread out
2. Enter into a state of prosperity
3. To increase in wealth, favor and honor
4. To grow vigorously and exuberantly, enlarge and expand
5. To become extremely successful

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C. Psalm 1:3—We Always Flourish and Produce Fruit

1. MSG: "You're a tree replanted in Eden, bearing fresh fruit every month, never dropping a leaf, always in blossom."
2. Psalm 52:8: "But I am like a green [HEB—*flourishing]* olive tree in the house of God: I trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever."
3. Proverbs 11:28: "He that trusteth in his riches shall fall; but the righteous shall flourish as a branch."
    a. NIV: "The righteous will thrive like a green leaf."
4. Proverbs 14:11: "The house of the wicked shall be overthrown: but the tabernacle of the upright shall flourish."
    a. Psalm 112:3 (NKJV): "Wealth and riches will be in his house, and his righteousness endures forever."
    b. BBE: "A store of wealth will be in his house…."
    c. MSG: "Their houses brim with wealth and a generosity that never runs dry."
5. Jeremiah 17:8—For those who trust God in tough times:
    a. Brenton: "He shall be as a thriving tree by the waters."
    b. BBE: "…he will have no fear when the heat comes, but his leaf will be green; in a dry year he will have no care, and will go on giving fruit."
    c. GW: "…It will not stop producing fruit."
    d. CEV: "…They bear fruit every year and are never worried by a lack of rain."

D. Declare This Out Loud by Faith:

My life is flourishing.

My family is flourishing.

My health is flourishing.

My business is flourishing.

My finances are flourishing.

My church is flourishing.

I am increasing in wealth, favor and honor.

I am growing vigorously and exuberantly.

I am enlarging, expanding and am becoming extremely successful.

I flourish and prosper in tough times.

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A Supernatural Economic Turnaround

Day #175

A. Luke 5:1-3—Jesus Asked for the Use of Peter's Boat

1. Verse 1—The people pressed upon Jesus to hear the Word of God.
   a. NIV: "The people were crowding around him and listening…."
   b. MSG: "The crowd was pushing in on him…."
   c. These people were hungry for God's Word.
2. Verse 2: The fishermen were washing their nets instead of pressing in to God.
   a. They were like Martha (Luke 10:41)—under great pressure about many things.
   b. They had another nonproductive, bad night with nothing to show for it.
   c. The Galilee fishing industry was in a serious slump and the market was failing.
   d. They were all facing bankruptcy.
3. The Answer to their problem was right in front of them—but they weren't listening.
4. Verse 3—Jesus asked Simon's permission to use his boat.
   a. Simon was frustrated.
   b. "Yeah, whatever."
   c. He taught the Word from Peter's boat.
   d. Luke 4:18-21: "This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears" and all debts were about to be released.

B. Luke 5:4-7—Peter's Harvest

1. Verse 4—Jesus heard from the Father when He said, "Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a catch."
2. Verse 5: But they *toiled* all night with absolutely no results.
   a. Worked hard
   b. Fatigued
   c. They were tired, weary and exhausted by burdens.
3. "Nevertheless at thy word I will let down the net."
   a. Peter reconsidered the situation according to what Jesus said.
   b. The Word changes things!
   c. One broken net
   d. Faith plans for more than enough.
   e. If we expect the supernatural, we will get it.
4. Verse 6: "…they inclosed a great multitude of fishes: and their net brake."
   a. John 21:11—One net will hold 153 big fish.
   b. This was Peter's harvest from letting Jesus use his boat.

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5. Like Jesus, we must act on heavenly revelation, not earthly information!
    a. Revelation will give you ways to do things that no one has ever thought of!
    b. Revelation says, "I receive it today!"

C. Luke 5:8-11—The Galilee Economy Restored

1. Verse 8: "I am a sinful man."
    a. Peter recognized how foolish he was to not listen to Jesus.
2. Verse 9: The commercial fishermen and everyone else were *astonished* at the catch of fish—they had never seen anything like this before.
    a. Dumbfounded
    b. Stupefied by surprise
    c. Amazed
    d. Rendered immovable
3. Jesus was operating from THE BLESSING of Genesis 1:26-28.
    a. He took dominion over the fish of the sea.
    b. He changed the Galilee fishing industry by operating the kingdom of God principles.
    c. This was a supernatural, economic turnaround.
4. Verse 10: Jesus called them into the ministry as disciples.
5. Verse 11: "This huge catch was in preparation for Peter, John and James to leave everything and follow Him." —Kenneth Copeland
    a. Jesus took care of their families.
    b. Psalm 34:9-10 (NIV): "Those who fear him lack nothing. Those who seek the Lord lack no good thing."
    c. Psalm 23:1 (NIV): "The Lord is my shepherd, I lack nothing."
    d. Luke 22:35 (NIV): "Then Jesus asked them, 'When I sent you without purse, bag or sandals, did you lack anything?' 'Nothing,' They answered."

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Prospering in Tough Times

Thriving in Famine

Day #176

A. Genesis 26:1—There Was a Famine in the Land

1. Severe shortage
2. Extreme scarcity
3. Serious economic downturn
4. Times like these are very difficult for those who:
   a. Don't know God.
   b. Know God but don't know what His Word says.
5. Hosea 4:6: "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge…."

B. Job 5:20-22—What God's Word Tells Us About Times of Famine

1. NLT: "He will save you from death in time of famine, from the power of the sword in time of war. You will be safe from slander and have no fear when destruction comes. You will laugh at destruction and famine; wild animals will not terrify you."
2. Psalm 33:18-19: "Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon them that fear him, upon them that hope in his mercy [NLT—who rely on his unfailing love]; to deliver their soul from death, and to keep them alive in famine."
3. Psalm 37:18-19 (NKJV): "The Lord knows the days of the upright, and their inheritance shall be forever. They shall not be ashamed in the evil time, and in the days of famine they shall be satisfied."
   a. Shame in lack is experienced by those who are harassed by bill collectors.
   b. *Satisfied* (HEB) = To have enough, to be filled up, to have plenty of
4. NLT: "Even in famine they will have more than enough."
5. HEB: He will supply until no more is needed.

C. Proverbs 10:22—We Don't Just Survive in Famine—WE THRIVE!

1. THE BLESSING of The Lord maketh rich and He adds no sorrow to it.
2. THE BLESSING works all the time—especially during tough times.
3. *Thrive*—prosper, flourish, succeed, advance, grow vigorously, to increase in goods, estate and stature
4. In spite of the severe famine, we are about to witness a man exercise his faith in his covenant with God.
5. We are about to see Isaac defy an economic downturn and become the richest man in the world.

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a. The kingdom of God system will reverse the curse in anyone who will believe.
b. God will restore your life back to the garden of Eden.
c. Isaiah 51:3: "For the Lord shall comfort Zion: he will comfort all her waste places; and he will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving, and the voice of melody."

If you have the kingdom of God operating,
it operates above the system of the world and in spite of it.
—Bill Winston, *Kingdom Principles: Operating Above the System of the World*

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Prospering in Tough Times

Isaac's Supernatural Harvest

Day #177

Prosperity is God's idea! It is not a natural thing.
—Gloria Copeland

A. Genesis 26:1-6—The Key to Prospering in Tough Times Is Obedience

1. The Lord told Isaac to stay in Gerar and not go to Egypt.
2. "Don't look to any other source except Me."
3. "I will bless you right where you are—in spite of the famine."
4. Obedience gives birth to THE BLESSING.
5. Isaiah 1:19: "If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land."

B. Genesis 26:12—Isaac's Supernatural Harvest in Famine

1. Job 5:22 (NLT): "You will laugh at destruction and famine…."
   a. *Isaac* (HEB) = He laughs
   b. Isaac laughed at famine all the way to the bank.
2. The harvest was supernatural.
   a. Even in the more fertile regions, the yield was no greater than twentyfivefold to fiftyfold.
   b. "The hundredfold return is working for me all the time."
3. He reaped this in the "year of drought."
4. Jeremiah 17:7-8 (NIV-84): "But blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him. He will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit."
5. Psalm 65:11-13 (NLT): "You crown the year with a bountiful harvest; even the hard pathways overflow with abundance. The grasslands of the wilderness become a lush pasture, and the hillsides blossom with joy. The meadows are clothed with flocks of sheep, and the valleys are carpeted with grain. They all shout and sing for joy!"

C. Genesis 26:13-14—Isaac Became the World's Richest Man

1. Verse 13 (NLT): "He became a very rich man, and his wealth continued to grow."
   a. *He waxed great* (HEB) = He increased, advanced, was promoted, became large, exceeded and towered
   b. *Very great* (HEB) = Speedily, quickly, rapidly

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   c. HEB: The man was great. He kept going on and was great, until he became exceeding great.
   d. His house got bigger than Abimelech's palace.
2. Proverbs 10:22: "THE BLESSING of the Lord, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it."
3. 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."
4. Verses 15-24: Even though the Philistines filled in his wells, he refused to quit.
5. Verse 22 (NLT-96): "Abandoning that one, he dug another well, and the local people finally left him alone. So Isaac called it 'Room Enough,' for he said, 'At last the Lord has made room for us, and we will be able to thrive.'"

God does not want us to live on the level of "only human."
—Bill Winston, *Kingdom Principles: Operating Above the System of the World*

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Prospering in Tough Times

Symbols of THE BLESSING

Day #178

It doesn't matter what's happening in the world.
It matters what's happening on the inside of us with the Word.
—Gloria Copeland

A. Genesis 26:26-29—Prosperity Can Be Seen

1. Verse 28 (NIV/NLT): We can clearly and plainly see that the Lord is with you.
2. Verse 28 (MSG): "We've realized that God is on your side."
3. Verse 29 (GNB): "Now it is clear that the Lord has blessed you."

B. Zechariah 8:13—Symbols of Kingdom Prosperity

1. NLT-96: "Among the nations, Judah and Israel had become symbols of what it means to be cursed. But no longer! **Now, I will rescue you and make you both a symbol and a source of blessing!** So don't be afraid or discouraged, but instead, get on with rebuilding the Temple!"
2. Zechariah 9:16-17: "And the Lord their God shall save them in that day as the flock of his people: for they shall be as the stones of a crown, lifted up as an ensign upon his land. For how great is his goodness, and how great is his beauty! corn shall make the young men cheerful, and new wine the maids."
   a. *Lifted up* (HEB) = Conspicuous, sparkle
   b. *Ensign* (HEB) = To gleam from afar, to be conspicuous as a signal, a flag fluttering in the wind, a sign, a banner, a token, an emblem
   c. NKJV: "The Lord their God will save them in that day, as the flock of His people. For they shall be like the jewels of a crown, lifted like a banner over His land."
   d. GW: "On that day the Lord their God will rescue them as the flock of his people. They will certainly sparkle in his land like jewels in a crown."
3. Psalm 67:7 (MSG): "God! Let people thank and enjoy you. Let all people thank and enjoy you. Earth, display your exuberance! You mark us with blessing, O God, our God. You mark us with blessing, O God."
4. Genesis 12:2-3 (AMPC): "I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you [with abundant increase of favors] and make your name famous and distinguished, and you will be a blessing [dispensing good to others]….in you will all the families and kindred of the earth be blessed [and by you they will bless themselves]."
5. Deuteronomy 28:10-11 (AMPC): "And all people of the earth shall see that you are

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called by the name [and in the presence of] the Lord, and they shall be afraid of you. And the Lord shall make you have a surplus of prosperity."

a. MSG: "All the peoples on Earth will see you living under the Name of God and hold you in respectful awe. God will lavish you with good things: children from your womb, offspring from your animals, and crops from your land, the land that God promised your ancestors that he would give you."
b. Prosperity on us is a witness to the goodness of God to those around us.

6. Jeremiah 33:9 (NLT): "Then this city will bring me joy, glory, and honor before all the nations of the earth! The people of the world will see all the good I do for my people, and they will tremble with awe at the peace and prosperity I provide for them."
7. Philippians 2:15-16 (AMPC): "That you may show yourselves to be blameless and guileless, innocent and uncontaminated, children of God without blemish (faultless, unrebukable) in the midst of a crooked and wicked generation [spiritually perverted and perverse], among whom you are seen as bright lights (stars or beacons shining out clearly) in the [dark] world, holding out [to it] and offering [to all men] the Word of Life, so that in the day of Christ I may have something of which exultantly to rejoice and glory in that I did not run my race in vain or spend my labor to no purpose."
   a. It doesn't matter what country you're in the midst of. It matters what you do and what you believe.
   b. When things are bad around you, it's even easier to see the witness of prosperity.

Whatever has been provided in heaven, He wants you to manifest it on earth.
He wants people to see through you in order for them to see what heaven is like.
He wants the kingdom of God to be represented through you in this earth
so that people can see what God is really like. "Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

—Bill Winston, *Kingdom Principles: Operating Above the System of the World*

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Prospering in Tough Times

Heaven in the Midst of Trouble

Day #179

A. Deuteronomy 11:18-21—Days of Heaven on Earth

1. No matter what the times are like, we can have heaven on earth.
2. The times are subject to us.
3. God wants people to see through us what He and THE BLESSING are like!

B. My Kingdom Is Flourishing, and THE BLESSING Is the Place to Be

Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, October 19, 2008:
Don't pay attention to or make any plans based on what the media says or what [politicians] say.

Stand on My WORD in John 16. Pay attention to Me. I [the Holy Spirit] will obey verses 13-15. I will show you things to come. **I will lead you through troubled times.**

> Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will show you things to come. He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall show it unto you. All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall show it unto you.

I already have THE Plan for you, and it's very good. Follow it. **It will not only get you through, it will place you in a very high place—a rich place—a strong place of victory.**

You will have to discipline yourself and be diligent to listen to Me. All the other voices will have a plan, a word, an idea for your future and security. Don't listen to Babylon's system. It has fallen apart. My system is stronger than ever. **My kingdom is flourishing, and THE BLESSING is the place to be.**

Keep your eyes on My WORD. Listen to it. It will guide you and I will perform it.

Love Me. Love My people as I have loved you. Walk in it. Love never fails, and neither does My plan.

Be very cautious to stay completely clean from covetousness. First Timothy 6:10 must live in the forefront of your thinking.

> 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.

If you will do these things and continue therein, you will come into your wealthy place. A place lifted up. A place in Me already planned and prepared for you now. Here. Not heaven—not yet. But it will seem like heaven right in the midst of all the trouble, and you'll be able to reach out to untold numbers of suffering people with the good news of the gospel.

I'm coming very soon. Sooner than you think. Keep your eyes on Me and you'll get the job done.

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If you just follow God in this kingdom reality, He will lead you to success and victory and prosperity.
—Bill Winston, *Kingdom Principles: Operating Above the System of the World*

Whatever has been provided in heaven, He wants it to be manifest on earth.
—Bill Winston, *Kingdom Principles: Operating Above the System of the World*

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Prospering in Tough Times

End-Time Instructions

Day #180

My inheritance does not fluctuate with the ups and downs of the market.
—Pastor George Pearsons

A. Colossians 1:12-14—"Everything Is Going to Be ALL RIGHT in the Household of Faith"

Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland at the Southwest Believers' Convention, August 6, 2010

1. "The world is in serious trouble. But for the household of faith and those that will **cling to My WORD**…everything is going to be ALL RIGHT.
2. "The world…is in serious trouble. Some very hard things are coming in different places around the world.… They're that way now but they'll not get better. They will continue to get worse and worse. It is on a downhill run that the world cannot stop. But for the household of faith everything's going to be ALL RIGHT.
3. **"You'll have to make a stand. You'll have to fight the good fight of faith.** But, when did you not have to do that? These are dangerous times. They're dangerous times financially. They're dangerous times in the earth because the earth is weighted under a gross weight of sin. There are things and places and situations underneath the earth, in the oceans, and in the heavens, things are being rattled and shaken. The earth is trying to break apart in different places.
4. **"Stand on My WORD** and it will not come nigh you. **Praise and worship My Name. Don't feed and feed and feed fear and trouble into your life and into your mouth.** … Quit living in that house. Get on back over here in the household of faith. **Feed on My WORD;** not on the bread of sorrow. …Look in My face. …**Praise and worship and preach The WORD. Praise and worship and preach The WORD.** Everything is going to be ALL RIGHT.
5. "…Your time has come. It is your time to excel. It is your time to do exceeding, extraordinary things in the financial world, in the medical world, in all of the areas where the world is in such dire trouble and so confused that they're confused beyond their ability to understand how confused they really are. And they're hurting because of it. They are crying out because of it…."
6. For those in the household of faith, everything is going to be ALL RIGHT!

B. Five Things We Must Do to Prosper in Tough Times

1. Cling to God's Word.
   a. Proverbs 6:20-22 (NKJV): "My son, keep your father's command, and do not

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forsake the law of your mother. Bind them continually upon your heart; tie them around your neck. When you roam, they will lead you; when you sleep, they will keep you; and when you awake, they will speak with you." (NLT = Advise you)

2. Take your stand.
    a. Ephesians 6:11, 13-14 (AMPC): "Put on God's whole armor [the armor of a heavy-armed soldier which God supplies], that you may be able successfully to stand up against [all] the strategies and the deceits of the devil…. Therefore put on God's complete armor, that you may be able to resist and stand your ground on the evil day [of danger], and, having done all [the crisis demands], to stand [firmly in your place]. Stand therefore [hold your ground]…."
    b. 1 Corinthians 16:13 (AMPC): "Be alert and on your guard; stand firm in your faith…."
    c. Psalm 91:9-10 (NKJV): "Because you have made the Lord, who is my refuge, even the Most High, your dwelling place, no evil shall befall you, nor shall any plague come near your dwelling."
3. Fight the good fight of faith.
    a. 1 Timothy 6:12: "Fight the good fight of faith…."
    b. How? By words of faith.
    c. 2 Corinthians 5:7: "For we walk by faith, not by sight."
4. Praise and worship and preach the Word.
    a. Psalm 9:1-3 (NKJV): "I will praise You, O Lord, with my whole heart; I will tell of all Your marvelous works. I will be glad and rejoice in You; I will sing praise to Your name, O Most High. When my enemies turn back, they shall fall and perish at Your presence."
5. Don't feed on fear and trouble.
    a. 2 Timothy 1:7: "For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind."
    b. Feed on the Word.
    c. John 14:1, 27-28: "Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me…. Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I."

Whatever comes, God always has a place of safety and preservation for His people; but, for Him to do that in our lives, we've got to allow Him to come in and teach us.
—Bill Winston, *Kingdom Principles: Operating Above the System of the World*

We learn how to do it, then we practice it.
If you don't practice what you learned, it's not going to manifest;
but we're going to practice. We practice what we've learned. Glory to God!
—Gloria Copeland

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Developing a Strong Spirit

Why Develop Your Spirit?

Day #181

Foundation Scripture: "The strong spirit of a man sustains him in bodily pain or trouble, but a weak and broken spirit who can raise up or bear?" (Proverbs 18:14, AMPC)

A strong spirit makes a way for God to move.
If you're talking doubt and unbelief, it shuts the door to the supernatural.
Having a strong spirit keeps the door open for God to move.
—Gloria Copeland

A. Proverbs 18:14—A Strong Spirit Will Get Us Through Anything

1. AMPC: "The strong spirit of a man sustains him in bodily pain or trouble, but a weak and broken spirit who can raise up or bear?"
2. A strong spirit will cause us to overcome physical attacks, financial problems, relational difficulties, job/career/ministerial setbacks, emotional challenges—everything the devil throws our way.
3. We can build a barrier, a force field, a wall of protection around us so when the storms of life hit, we stand like a rock—unshaken and unmovable.
4. Our spirits can become so rooted, grounded and established in the Word that we can actually repel disease, stop care, resist sin, override doubt, dissolve offense and block pressure.
5. We can build up our spiritual immune system to such a degree that sickness can't penetrate it, discouragement can't sway it, fear can't stop it, bad news can't move it and adversity can't affect it.
6. "How do we know if we're there? By what we are saying. Kenneth and I learned to not ever give the devil place by what we are saying." —Gloria Copeland
7. Luke 6:45: "…For out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaketh."

You get accustomed to living in the supernatural.
We didn't say it is always easy, but the Word will always work.
—Gloria Copeland

B. 3 John 2—The Degree of Success We Experience Is Directly Connected to the Condition of Our Spirits

1. NLT: "Dear friend, I hope all is well with you and that you are as healthy in body as you are strong in spirit."

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2. Without proper care, our spiritual immune system will weaken, opening the door to the effects of the curse.
3. The lack of success is an indicator of a weak spirit.
4. Our spirits must be fed, strengthened, trained, developed and exercised in the same way we do our bodies and minds.
5. We can become so spiritually strong that our mountain-moving faith will produce mighty results, unhindered by any force.
6. "When John said we should prosper and be in health, he added the phrase, *'even as thy soul prospereth.'* Man is a spirit; he has a soul consisting of the mind, the will and the emotions; and he lives in a body. Thus, there is *spiritual* prosperity; there is *mental* prosperity; and there is *physical* prosperity.

   "To prosper spiritually, you must be born again. When you accept Jesus as your Savior and make Him the Lord of your life, your spirit is reborn and brought into fellowship with the Father, the Almighty God. This then puts you in a position to receive from Him *all* the things promised in His Word." —Kenneth Copeland, *The Laws of Prosperity*
7. How do you get a strong spirit? You must keep the Word of God going into your ears and eyes, let it be in your heart and come out of your mouth.

C. Ephesians 6:10—Be Strong in the Lord and in the Power of His Might

1. AMPC: "In conclusion, be strong in the Lord [be empowered through your union with Him]; draw your strength from Him [that strength which His boundless might provides]."
2. Joel 3:10: "Let the weak say, I AM STRONG!"
3. Every believer has the potential to walk in a greater place of supernatural strength.
4. The stronger our spirits, the easier it is to receive, resist and stand.
5. The ultimate goal of developing a strong spirit is so we can be strong enough to strengthen others.

When you have a strong spirit, you can overcome anything. The bigger the problem, the stronger you are. As you put the Word in your eyes and ears and get it in your heart, it produces faith. You apply the Word to your circumstances and it works.

—Gloria Copeland

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Seven Benefits of a Strong Spirit

Day #182

Foundation Scripture: "The strong spirit of a man sustains him in bodily pain or trouble, but a weak and broken spirit who can raise up or bear?" (Proverbs 18:14, AMPC)

When you have a strong spirit you will rise up and declare your rights in Christ Jesus!
—Pastor George Pearsons

You have to have something to say, and what to say only comes from the Word.
—Gloria Copeland

When the devil puts the squeeze on you, only the Word should come out.
—Pastor George Pearsons

A. A Strong Spirit Will Get You Through Anything

1. Proverbs 18:14 (AMPC): "The strong spirit of a man will sustain him in bodily pain or trouble, but a weak and broken spirit who can raise up or bear?"
2. A strong spirit will cause us to overcome physical attacks, financial problems, relational/marital difficulties, job/career/ministerial setbacks, emotional challenges—everything the devil throws our way.
3. Proverbs 24:10 (AMPC): "If you faint in the day of adversity, your strength is small."
    a. Your spirit is weak.
    b. NLT: "If you fail under pressure, your strength is too small."
4. If you stand firm and succeed under pressure, your spirit is strong.

B. A Strong Spirit Will Help You Receive From God

1. The stronger your faith, the more you can accomplish.
2. "You can't catch much with a Snoopy fishing pole." —Keith Moore
3. The stronger the pole and line, the bigger the fish you will catch.
4. The stronger your spirit is, the easier it becomes to receive.
5. Hebrews 6:12: Through faith and patience [endurance, constancy, standing your ground] we inherit the promises.
6. Reconsider your situation according to the Word.

C. A Strong Spirit Will Help You Hold on to What You Receive

1. Galatians 6:9 (AMPC): "Let us not lose heart and grow weary and faint in acting nobly

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and doing right, for in due time and at the appointed season we shall reap, if we do not loosen and relax our courage and faint."

2. Hebrews 10:23: "Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised)."
    a. *Hold fast* (GK) = keep firm possession of
    b. AMPC: "Let us seize and hold fast and retain without wavering…."
    c. Hold fast. Don't be wimpy. Don't waver.
3. There is a God-ward side and a man-ward side to this. God's side is that He provides all we need. Man's side is that we have to use our faith and be doers of the Word.
4. 1 John 5:4: "…And this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith."
    a. We must strengthen our faith and grow in faith. There's no excuse.

D. A Strong Spirit Will Help You Resist the Devil and Temptation

1. Ezekiel 16:30: "How weak is thine heart, saith the Lord God, seeing thou doest all these things…."
2. Proverbs 16:32 (NKJV): "He who is slow to anger is better than the mighty, and he who rules his spirit than he who takes a city."
3. Ephesians 6:10-11: "Be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might…that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil."
    a. AMPC: "That you may be able successfully to stand up against [all] the strategies and the deceits of the devil."

E. A Strong Spirit Will Help You Help Others

1. Romans 15:1: "We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak…."
2. Luke 22:31-32: "And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren."
3. BBE: "Make your brothers strong."

F. A Strong Spirit Will Help You Withstand Impact and Pressure

1. Example: Skyscrapers in San Francisco designed to absorb the shock of earthquakes
2. Luke 6:47-49: The storm could not shake the house.
3. James 1:2-4: Pressure on faith puts the force of patience to work.

G. A Strong Spirit Will Build a Protective Barrier Around Your Heart

1. Sickness can't penetrate it.
2. Discouragement can't sway it.
3. Fear can't stop it.
4. Offense can't enter it.
5. Psalm 112:6-8: "Surely he shall not be moved for ever…. He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in the Lord. His heart is established."

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Developing a Strong Spirit

Why Developing Your Spirit Must Be a Priority

Day #183

Foundation Scripture: "The strong spirit of a man sustains him in bodily pain or trouble, but a weak and broken spirit who can raise up or bear?" (Proverbs 18:14, AMPC)

The weakest person can take the Word of God and develop a strong spirit.
—Gloria Copeland

There is no limit to our capacity, to how strong we can become.
—Pastor George Pearsons

A. 1 Thessalonians 5:23—Man Is a Three-Part Being

1. Verse 23: "And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."
2. Brother Hagin developed a spirit consciousness by saying:
   a. I am a spirit.
   b. I have a soul.
   c. I live in a physical body.[1]
3. The body is the earth suit, tent, house, tabernacle, building.
   a. Example: Kellie's house before and after occupancy
4. The spirit is the life of the man.
   a. The hand in the glove
   b. The knife in the sheath
   c. The sword in the scabbard
   d. The gun in the holster
5. The life that is in your body comes from your spirit, and the life that is in your spirit comes from God.
   a. Proverbs 20:27: "The spirit of man is the candle of the Lord, searching all the inward parts of the belly."
   b. Much effort is spent on developing the body and mind; not as much on the heart.
   c. Romans 10:10: We believe with the heart.

"You're going to have to feed me if I'm going to continue shopping!"
Likewise, we have to "eat" the Word.
—Pastor George Pearsons

1 For more on this subject. see Kenneth E. Hagin's book *The Threefold Nature of Man.* rhema.org.

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B. Proverbs 4:20-23—The Spirit of Man Must Be Protected

1. Verse 23 (AMPC/KJV): Keep, guard and protect your heart (your spirit) with all vigilance and diligence and above all that you guard, for out of it (out of your spirit) flow the issues, the life forces and the springs of life.
    a. The forces of life from God come through our spirit to get to our mind and body.
    b. They are the life forces that sustain us.
    c. It must become standard protocol that we feed our spirits.
2. James 2:26—The body without the spirit is dead.
    a. Your spirit is the generator and the power plant.
    b. It is the most important part of your life.
3. 2 Corinthians 4:16: Though our outward man perish, the inward man must be renewed day by day.
4. Ephesians 3:14-16: Paul prayed that we would be strengthened with might by His Spirit in the inner man.
    a. The stronger your spirit, the more you are able to receive and resist.
    b. A strong spirit will get you through anything.
5. 1 Peter 3:4: "But let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price."
    a. God considers the spirit of man to be of great value.
    b. That is why developing and strengthening our spirit is so important.

C. 1 Timothy 4:6-8—Keep Yourself Spiritually Fit

1. Verse 7 (TLB): "Don't waste time arguing over foolish ideas and silly myths and legends. Spend your time and energy in the exercise of keeping spiritually fit."
2. Proverbs 24:10 (AMPC): "If you faint in the day of adversity, your strength is small."
    a. GNB: "If you are weak in a crisis, you are weak indeed."
    b. MSG: "If you fall to pieces in a crisis, there wasn't much to you in the first place."
    c. If you stand in the day of adversity, your spirit is strong.
3. Your spirit has an immune system.
    a. Built up, it will resist everything.
    b. Weakened and depleted, it will be susceptible to anything.
4. The degree of success you experience in life is directly connected to the condition of your spirit.
5. Acts 20:24—We can get to the place where we can say like Paul, "None of these things move me."

No matter what you are going through, do not quit.
You make a determination to develop your faith and strengthen your spirit.
—Pastor George Pearsons

When the going gets tough, the tough get going. You have to walk by faith.
—Gloria Copeland

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Developing a Strong Spirit

Indicators of a Weak Spirit

Day #184

Foundation Scripture: "The strong spirit of a man sustains him in bodily pain or trouble, but a weak and broken spirit who can raise up or bear?" (Proverbs 18:14, AMPC)

We have to develop our inward man because it is the power plant of our life.
—Gloria Copeland

A. Ezekiel 16:30—How Weak Is Your Heart, Seeing You Do These Things

1. A patient is experiencing symptoms in their body but doesn't know what is wrong.
2. The first thing the doctor does is check their vital signs.
3. Vital signs are indicators pointing out something is wrong.
4. We have spiritual vital signs that indicate a weak spirit.
5. If undetected, we seek outward consolation for an inward problem.
6. When things are negatively affecting me, it's a sign that I need to build up my inward man.

B. Indicators of a Weak Spirit

1. Overwhelmed
   a. Make much out of a little
   b. Mountains out of molehills
   c. Can't handle even the simple things
   d. Proverbs 24:10: "If thou faint in the day of adversity, thy strength is small."
      i. GW: "If you faint in a crisis, you are weak."
      ii. MSG: "If you fall to pieces in a crisis, there wasn't much to you in the first place."
   e. Psalm 61:2: "When my heart is overwhelmed: lead me to the rock that is higher than I."
   f. The stronger you are, the easier it is to do life.

When you sense you're being overcome, you must take action!
Get in the Word of God. Listen to a CD. Go to church. Ask someone to pray for you.
—Gloria Copeland

2. Hopeless
   a. Lack of joy
   b. Discouraged and despairing
   c. Desire to quit
   d. Proverbs 13:12 (AMPC): "Hope deferred makes the heart sick, but when the desire is fulfilled, it is a tree of life."

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e. Proverbs 15:13 (NKJV): "A merry heart makes a cheerful countenance, but by sorrow of the heart the spirit is broken."
    i. The stronger you are, the easier it becomes to overcome grief and sorrow.

3. Self-Centered
    a. No compassion
    b. Victim mentality—everyone else's fault
    c. Romans 15:1: "We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please ourselves."
    d. From a place of strength, we should be helping people, instead of moaning and groaning.
    e. The stronger you are, the more you desire to reach out to others.
4. Complacent
    a. Indecisive and indifferent
    b. Double-minded, making wrong decisions
    c. Romans 4:20-21: "He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God; and being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform."
    d. The stronger you are, the more bold, focused and decisive you become.
5. Short-tempered
    a. Touchy, offended and overly sensitive
    b. Out of control, anger and rage
    c. Proverbs 16:32 (NKJV): "He who is slow to anger is better than the mighty, and he who rules his spirit than he who takes a city."
    d. The stronger you are, the more spirit-controlled you become.
6. Fearful
    a. Panicked and worried
    b. Anxiety
    c. Job 4:5 (NLT): "But now when trouble strikes, you lose heart. You are terrified when it touches you."
    d. 2 Timothy 1:7 (NKJV): "For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind."
    e. You can't give in to doubt and unbelief and walk in victory.
    f. You can't be fearful and full of faith at the same time.
    g. The stronger you are, the more fear-free you will live.
7. Exhausted
    a. Tired and weary
    b. Stressed-out and drained
    c. Inability to resist or receive
        i. Resist sin and temptation
        ii. Receive from God and others
    d. 2 Corinthians 4:1 (AMPC): "Therefore, since we do hold and engage in this ministry by the mercy of God…we do not get discouraged (spiritless and despondent with fear) or become faint with weariness and exhaustion."
    e. The stronger your spirit, the more of God's blessing you experience.
    f. The stronger you are, the stronger you are.

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Developing a Strong Spirit

Indicators of a Strong Spirit

Day #185

Foundation Scripture: "The strong spirit of a man sustains him in bodily pain or trouble, but a weak and broken spirit who can raise up or bear?" (Proverbs 18:14, AMPC)

A. 2 Samuel 22:30—For by Thee I Have Run Through a Troop: by My God Have I Leaped Over a Wall

1. David is our example of a person with a strong spirit.
2. He did not give in to defeat but rather pressed on to victory.
3. Verses 33-34: "God is my strength and power: and he maketh my way perfect. He maketh my feet like hinds' feet: and setteth me upon my high places."
4. In the same way we have indicators that reveal a weak spirit, we have spiritual vital signs that reveal a strong spirit.
5. With a strong spirit, what seemed impossible before becomes the easiest thing to accomplish.
    a. Mark 9:23 (NKJV): "…All things are possible to him who believes."
    b. The capacity to believe God grows as you strengthen your spirit.

B. Indicators of a Strong Spirit

1. Assured and confident
    a. 2 Corinthians 4:8-9, 13-14: "We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed…. We having the same spirt of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak."
    b. 1 John 5:14-15 (AMPC): "And this is the confidence (the assurance, the privilege of boldness) which we have in Him: [we are sure] that if we ask anything (make any request) according to His will (in agreement with His own plan), He listens to and hears us. And if (since) we [positively] know that He listens to us in whatever we ask, we also know [with settled and absolute knowledge] that we have [granted us as our present possessions] the requests made of Him."
2. Established and unmovable
    a. Psalm 112:7-8: "He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in the Lord. His heart is established, he shall not be afraid, until he see his desire upon his enemies."
    b. Acts 20:24: "None of these things move me."
    c. Hebrews 10:39: "…But we are not of them who draw back."
    d. We don't draw back. We don't quit.
3. Ready for anything
    a. Philippians 4:13 (AMPC): "I have strength for all things in Christ Who empowers

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me [I am ready for anything and equal to anything through Him Who infuses inner strength into me; I am self-sufficient in Christ's sufficiency]."

b. 1 Samuel 30:8: "And David enquired at the Lord, saying, Shall I pursue after this troop? shall I overtake them? And he answered him, Pursue: for thou shalt surely overtake them, and without fail recover all."

4. An overcomer's attitude
   a. 1 John 5:4-5: "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?"
   b. Romans 8:37: "Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us."
   c. 2 Corinthians 4:17: "For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory."
5. Stays calm, cool and steady
   a. 2 Timothy 4:5 (AMPC): "As for you, be calm and cool and steady, accept and suffer unflinchingly every hardship, do the work of an evangelist, fully perform all the duties of your ministry."
   b. Proverbs 17:27 (NAS): "He who restrains his words has knowledge, and he who has a cool spirit is a man of understanding."
6. Doesn't give up and quit
   a. Galatians 6:9 (AMPC): "And let us not lose heart and grow weary and faint in acting nobly and doing right, for in due time and at the appointed season we shall reap, if we do not loosen and relax our courage and faint."
   b. Hebrews 10:32 (NIV-84): "Remember those earlier days after you had received the light, when you stood your ground in a great contest in the face of suffering."
7. Full of joy and peace
   a. Joy and peace are indicators of strong faith.
   b. Nehemiah 8:10: "The joy of the Lord is your strength."
   c. Philippians 4:6-7: "Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

C. Galatians 5—Those With a Strong Spirit Exhibit the Fruit of the Spirit

1. Verses 16-18: "This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would. But if ye be led of the Spirit, ye are not under the law."
2. Verse 22: "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith."
3. Verse 23: "Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law."
4. Verse 24: "And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts."
5. Verse 25: "If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit."

The moment you see you're under pressure, run to the Word.
Have scriptures ready to go. Speak the Word. Don't be a wimp! Take the victory!
—Gloria Copeland

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Developing a Strong Spirit

Enemies of a Strong Spirit

Day #186

Foundation Scripture: "The strong spirit of a man sustains him in bodily pain or trouble, but a weak and broken spirit who can raise up or bear?" (Proverbs 18:14, AMPC)

A weak spirit will draw all bad things to you.
Who is our enemy? The devil. He's looking for a place to work in. I'm not it!
—Gloria Copeland

It's dangerous not to be strong. Why? Because there's a curse out there.
If we're not walking in THE BLESSING, we don't have anything to divert the curse.
—Gloria Copeland

A. Hebrews 12:1-2—Time to Streamline

1. Verse 1 (TLB): "Let us strip off anything that slows us down or holds us back, and especially those sins that wrap themselves so tightly around our feet and trip us up."
2. Verse 1 (AMPC): "Let us strip off and throw aside every encumbrance, (unnecessary weight) and that sin which so readily (deftly and cleverly) clings to and entangles us, and let us run with patient endurance and steady and active persistence the appointed course of the race that is set before us."
3. You can feed on the Word, exercise your faith and rest, and yet still be weak because of things that deplete your spirit. It's like:
    a. Trying to fill a gas tank with a hole in it.
    b. Trying to use a flashlight while it is needing to be recharged.
    c. Trying to run a marathon loaded down with heavy clothes.
    d. All of these things work against you.
4. We want to run the race.
    a. Motorcycle modified to go faster
        i. Engine was not any stronger.
        ii. Nuts, bolts and key were shaved down.
        iii. Frame was made of lighter alloys.
5. It is possible to accomplish more spiritually by shaving off all the unnecessary things.
    a. You don't need more power.
    b. You just need to get rid of the drain, hindrances and excess weight.

B. Five Enemies of a Strong Spirit

1. Worry and care
    a. Ezekiel 21:7 (AMPC): "And it shall be that when they say to you, Why do you

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sigh? that you shall answer, Because of the tidings. When it comes, every heart will melt and all hands will be feeble, and every spirit will faint and all knees will be weak as water."

b. Fear and anxiety will drain you.
c. 1 Peter 5:6-7 (AMPC): "Therefore humble yourselves…under the mighty hand of God, that in due time He may exalt you, casting the whole of your care [all your anxieties, all your worries, all your concerns, once and for all] on Him, for He cares for you affectionately and cares about you watchfully."
d. You need to roll the care over onto the Lord.

2. Yielding to the flesh
   a. Psalm 31:10 (NLT): "Sin has drained my strength."
   b. Sin will take you farther than you ever wanted to go, keep you longer than you ever wanted to stay, and make you pay a higher price than you ever wanted to pay.
   c. Sampson became weak because he was sleeping with the Philistines.
   d. 1 Peter 2:11: "Abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul."
3. Overloaded life
   a. Luke 10:40 (AMPC): "But Martha [overly occupied and too busy] was distracted with much serving."
   b. The problem for many
      i. Too many irons in the fire
      ii. Too many projects
      iii. Overcommitted
      iv. Day-planner full all the time
   c. The first thing you have to do each day is spend time with the Lord and in His Word.
      i. Make the Word of God first place and final authority.
      ii. You get on the Word a step at a time.
      iii. You take the answer, but you don't take the care.
   d. Be selective as to how you expend spiritual energy.
   e. Don't embellish on what God wants you to do. Stay focused.
4. Relationship problems
   a. Genesis 26:34-35 (NLT): "At the age of forty, Esau married two Hittite wives: Judith, the daughter of Beeri, and Basemath, the daughter of Elon. But Esau's wives made life miserable for Isaac and Rebekah."
      i. Genesis 27:46 (NLT): "I'm sick and tired of these local Hittite women! I would rather die than to see Jacob marry one of them."
   b. Arguments will drain you of spiritual strength
   c. A man is only as big as the things that annoy him.
5. Spiritual leeches
   a. Condemnation
   b. Jealousy
   c. Offense
   d. Bitterness
   e. Strife
   f. Unforgiveness
   g. Judging others

Let the Word of God get down in your heart to where it talks to you.

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Developing a Strong Spirit

Develop a Strong Spirit Through Diet

Day #187

Foundation Scripture: "The strong spirit of a man sustains him in bodily pain or trouble, but a weak and broken spirit who can raise up or bear?" (Proverbs 18:14, AMPC)

The Word of God is food for our spirits.
—Gloria Copeland

What belongs to us in God? THE BLESSING. People can go a lifetime and never receive THE BLESSING that is theirs because they don't pay attention to God.
Healing, prosperity, and all of the good things we need are in THE BLESSING.
—Gloria Copeland

A. 1 Timothy 4:6-9—We Must Stay Spiritually Fit

1. Verse 7 (AMPC): "Train yourself toward godliness…[keeping yourself spiritually fit]."
2. Instead of feeding on the Word of God, many people spend a lot of time feeding on television, fine cuisine and entertainment.
3. Proper diet, rest and exercise are necessary for a strong spirit, soul and body.
4. You must feed your spirit "faith food" in order for it to be strong.
    a. God's Word contains the proper nutrients for building a strong spirit.
    b. It is our primary source of strength.
    c. You put the Word in your eyes, ears and mouth. It will get down in your heart. The Word will begin to talk to you. You then have to exercise and be a doer of whatever the Word tells you to do.
5. God's Word feeds your spirit just like natural food feeds your body.
    a. God's Word to your spirit is like a healthy meal to your flesh.
    b. Your spirit has a voracious appetite for the Word.
    c. Romans 10:17—Faith comes by eating and eating by the Word of God.
    d. You need a fresh meal to stay built up in faith.
6. Verse 6—Nourished up in the words of faith
    a. WMS: "…Feeding your own soul on the truths of faith."
    b. BER: "…Nurturing on the messages of faith."
    c. TCNT: "…Sustained by the precepts of the Faith and of that Good Teaching."
    d. GNB: "Feed yourself spiritually on the words of faith and of the true teaching which you have followed."

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B. God's Word Is Nourishment to Our Spirits

1. Job 23:12 (AMPC): "I have not gone back from the commandment of His lips; I have esteemed and treasured the words of His mouth more than my necessary food."
   a. *Esteem* (HEB) = hide, hoard, store, lay up
   b. "Can" the Word. *Preserve* it down inside your heart and when you need it, it will be there.
2. Job 34:3 (AMPC): "The ear tries words as a palate tastes food."
   a. *Tries* = tastes, distinguishes
   b. Babies are not discerning.
   c. Keith Moore ate dirt as a baby.
   d. That is why we need cabinet locks for our kids.
   e. Justus wanted to eat the paintings at Uncle Julio's.
   f. When was the last time you ate paste?
3. Psalm 119:103: "How sweet are thy words unto my taste! Yea, sweeter than honey to my mouth!"
   a. MSG: "Your words are so choice, so tasty; I prefer them to the best home cooking."
   b. The Lord told Rick Renner, "No Word, no breakfast."
4. Matthew 4:4 (AMPC): "Man shall not live and be upheld and sustained by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God."
   a. John 6:48: "I am that bread of life."
   b. Verse 51: "I am the living bread."
   c. John 6:58: "This is that bread which came down from heaven: not as your fathers did eat manna, and are dead: he that eateth of this bread shall live forever."
5. Hebrews 6:4-5: "For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, and have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come."

Everyone should pray and read the Word every day as they start their day.
You may think, "I don't have time to do that.'"
Well, do you have time to go to the hospital?
—Gloria Copeland

C. We Draw Strength From God's Word

1. Psalm 119:28 (AMPC): "Raise me up and strengthen me according to [the promises of] Your word."
   a. MSG: "My sad life's dilapidated, a falling-down barn; build me up again by your Word."
2. Jeremiah 15:16: "Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart."
   a. GW: "Your words were found, and I devoured them."
   b. MSG: "When your words showed up, I ate them—swallowed them whole. What a feast! What delight I took in being yours!"
   c. Nehemiah 8:10: "…the joy of the Lord is your strength."

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3. Acts 20:32: "The Word of His grace will build you up and give you an inheritance."
    a. BBE: "…to make you strong."
4. Romans 15:4 (NLT): "Such things were written in the Scriptures long ago to teach us. And the Scriptures give us hope and encouragement as we wait patiently for God's promises to be fulfilled."
    a. TCNT: "Through the encouragement drawn from the Scriptures, we might hold fast to our hope."
    b. We draw strength from the Word.
    c. *Hope* (GK) = Confidence and expectation
5. 1 Peter 2:2-3 (AMPC): "Like newborn babies you should crave (thirst for, earnestly desire) the pure (unadulterated) spiritual milk, that by it you may be nurtured and grow unto complete salvation, since you have [already] tasted the goodness and kindness of the Lord."

Ken and I got on the Word in 1967, and we have continued to roll and roll and roll in THE BLESSING. It didn't take long until our immediate needs were met. We got out of debt. We've stayed out of debt all these years. We learned how to believe God for homes, vehicles, land and whatever we needed in the ministry—without debt. I used to buy things at Sears on a revolving charge when John was a little boy. We didn't know how to live without debt until we got in the Word. We were always limited until we got in the Word and began to find out how to live, how to prosper and how to increase. There's no lack in Him. Nourish your spirit with the Word of God today.

—Gloria Copeland

The more Word you deposit in your spirit, the stronger your spirit will become. You cannot store up the Word for long periods of time. You have to keep putting it in fresh! It's like milk that goes sour. You'll forget it and won't want it. If you'll spend time in the Word every day, believe it, act on it, say it with your mouth, you'll begin to be free in all areas of your life.

—Gloria Copeland

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Developing a Strong Spirit

DEVELOPING A STRONG SPIRIT

Develop a Strong Spirit Through Rest

Day #188

Foundation Scripture: "The strong spirit of a man sustains him in bodily pain or trouble, but a weak and broken spirit who can raise up or bear?" (Proverbs 18:14, AMPC)

A. 1 Timothy 4:6-9—We Must Stay Spiritually Fit

1. Verse 7 (AMPC): "Train yourself toward godliness…[keeping yourself spiritually fit]."
2. Proper diet, rest and exercise are necessary for a strong spirit, soul and body.
3. The stronger you are spiritually, the easier it is to believe God and to receive from Him.
4. You don't wait until trouble comes to get in the Word. You stay in a place of spiritual readiness to be able to handle whatever situation may come.
5. 1 Peter 5:6-8 (NKJV): "Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time, casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you. Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. Resist him, steadfast in the faith."
    a. How much care do we cast? All of it.
    b. We believe we have received! We stay full of faith and rest in the Lord. We speak the Word, giving God something to work with.
    c. We resist the devourer.
6. You can't keep the pedal to the metal and expect to stay strong.
7. You can't continually work out in the gym—muscles need to rest and recover to grow strong.
8. Jude 20 (NKJV): "Build yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit."
    a. Spending time praying in other tongues will edify and build up your spirit.
9. Show me a person who has a strong spirit, and I will show you someone who takes the time to rest in the Lord.
    a. A minister must take time to rest and replenish in order to be effective.
    b. Sometimes I just need a good night's sleep in order to continue a project. It enables me to think clearer and have a better perspective.
        i. Think clearer
        ii. Better perspective
    c. John 11:11-13 (AMPC): "He said these things, and then added, Our friend Lazarus is at rest and sleeping; but I am going there that I may awaken him out of his sleep. The disciples answered, Lord, if he is sleeping, he will recover. However, Jesus had spoken of his death, but they thought that He referred to falling into a refreshing and natural sleep."

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B. Matthew 11:28-30 (AMPC)—I Will Give You Rest

1. Verse 28: "Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy-laden and overburdened, and I will cause you to rest…."
2. Verse 28: "…[I will ease and relieve and refresh your souls]."
3. Verse 29: "Take My yoke upon you and learn of Me, for I am gentle (meek) and humble (lowly) in heart…."
4. Verse 29: "And you will find rest (relief and ease and refreshment and recreation and blessed quiet) for your souls."
5. Verse 30: "For My yoke is wholesome (useful, good—not harsh, hard, sharp, or pressing, but comfortable, gracious and pleasant), and My burden is light and easy to be borne."
6. We're refreshed by spending time in the presence of the Lord.

C. Rest by Waiting on the Lord

1. Psalm 4:3-4: "But know that the Lord hath set apart him that is godly for himself: the Lord will hear when I call unto him. Stand in awe, and sin not: commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still. Selah."
2. Psalm 46:10: "Be still, and know that I am God."
3. Isaiah 40:28-30: "Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding. He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength. Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall."
    a. Verse 31 (AMPC): "But those who wait for the Lord [who expect, look for, and hope in Him] shall change and renew their strength and power; they shall lift their wings and mount up [close to God] as eagles [mount up to the sun]; they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint or become tired."
4. Hebrews 4:9: "There remaineth therefore a rest to the people of God."
5. Waiting on the Lord is resting in the Lord.
    a. Don't exert—take in.
    b. Put your flesh down.
    c. Get your thoughts under control.
    d. Isaiah 26:3: "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee."

D. *Following God's Plan for Your Life* by Kenneth E. Hagin

"As you spend time in God's Presence, ministering to the Lord in praise and worship will quiet your mind and strengthen your spirit. That's why spending much time ministering to the Lord will greatly aid you in developing your spirit.

"What does ministering to the Lord mean? It means to linger in His Presence, loving and worshipping Him for all that He is and for all He has done for you. It means to drink in of His glory and power and to let Him saturate every part of your being….

"As you spend time just loving and worshipping the Lord, it's so much easier to quiet your mind and emotions and focus on Jesus….

"Take the time to let your body become quiet. Let your mind be still. Let your emotions subside, until there's no emotion at all in manifestation coloring your thoughts. Once your mind and body are quiet, listen way down deep in your innermost being to what the Holy Spirit is saying to you."

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Developing a Strong Spirit

Develop a Strong Spirit Through Exercise

Day #189

Foundation Scripture: "The strong spirit of a man sustains him in bodily pain or trouble, but a weak and broken spirit who can raise up or bear?" (Proverbs 18:14, AMPC)

If you don't do anything, ain't nothing gonna happen supernaturally.
—Gloria Copeland

A. 1 Timothy 4:6-9—We Must Stay Spiritually Fit

1. Proper diet, rest and exercise are necessary for the development of a strong spirit.
2. Feeding on the Word will strengthen your spirit.
   a. Matthew 4:4 (AMPC): "Man shall not live and be upheld and sustained by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God."
   b. Psalm 119:28 (AMPC): "Raise me up and strengthen me according to [the promises of] Your word."
3. Resting in the Lord will strengthen your spirit.
   a. Psalm 37:7 (AMPC): "Be still and rest in the Lord; wait for Him, and patiently lean yourself upon Him."
   b. Isaiah 40:31: "But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength."
4. Exercising your faith will strengthen your spirit.
   a. 1 Timothy 4:7-8 (NLT-96): "Do not waste time arguing over godless ideas and old wives' tales. Spend your time and energy in training yourself for spiritual fitness. Physical exercise has some value, but spiritual exercise is much more important, for it promises a reward in both this life and the next."
   b. Hebrews 5:14: "But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age, even those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil."
5. Developing a strong spirit will come by you reading, studying, confessing, praying and standing in faith."

"Working out" demands "working at it." You can't have one without the other.
—Gloria Copeland

Doing the Word is the key to THE BLESSING, to walking in health and prosperity.
—Gloria Copeland

B. James 1:22-25—We Must Be Doers of the Word

1. How many workout DVDs are sitting on shelves all over the country?
2. It is one thing to *talk* about exercise and another thing entirely to exercise.

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a. James 2:17 (AMPC): "So also faith, if it does not have works (deeds and actions of obedience to back it up), by itself is destitute of power (inoperative, dead)."
b. Faith without corresponding action does not produce results.

3. Joshua 1:8 (NKJV): "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."
   a. You don't make your way prosperous by just knowing the Word of God. You make your way prosperous by obeying and doing the Word.
4. If you want to develop a stronger, more robust faith in a particular area, you must feed on the Word and then exercise your faith in that Word.
5. Kenneth Copeland had a fear of riding glass elevators.
   a. He went to God's Word.
   b. 2 Timothy 1:7 (NKJV): "For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind."
   c. He began to confess the Word.
   d. He then acted upon the Word.
   e. The Lord instructed him to ride up and down the elevator with his toes pressed up against the glass until all the fear was flushed out.
6. He was a doer of the Word who exercised his faith and overcame fear.

C. Mark 11:22-26—Exercising Your "Forgiveness Muscle"

1. We have spiritual muscles. One of the most difficult muscles to exercise is forgiveness.
2. The more you exercise forgiveness, the stronger you become at forgiving others.
3. You will get to the point where you don't even notice suffered wrongs.
4. We forgive others by exercising faith in God's Word concerning forgiveness.

"I've already overcome in Jesus and I'm not going backward."
—Gloria Copeland

5. How to exercise forgiveness:
   a. Locate the scripture that you are going to exercise.
   b. Say, "By faith, I forgive them for what they have done to me or said about me, according to Mark 11:22-26."
   c. "I release every feeling of hurt, animosity or anger and do not hold anything against them."
   d. "I love them with the love of God in Jesus' Name."
   e. "I refuse to ever bring this up again."
      i. Isaiah 43:25 (NKJV): "I, even I, am He who blots out your transgressions for My own sake; and I will not remember your sins."
      ii. NLT-96: I will never think of that offense again.
6. This will work in any area you exercise:
   a. Health
   b. Finances
   c. Family
   d. Marriage
   e. Relationships
   f. Future
   g. Employment

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Developing a Strong Spirit

Seven Habits of Strong Believers

Day #190

Foundation Scripture: "The strong spirit of a man sustains him in bodily pain or trouble, but a weak and broken spirit who can raise up or bear?" (Proverbs 18:14, AMPC)

Your strong spirit will put you over the top!
It will remind you of the Word and what God is saying to you.
—Gloria Copeland

You just have to make a decision. Is victory important to you?
—Gloria Copeland

The secret to our future is hidden in our daily routine. "Blessed is the man that heareth me, watching DAILY at my gates, waiting at the posts of my doors. For whoso findeth me findeth life, and shall obtain favour of the Lord" (Proverbs 8:34-35).

An anointed, daily routine produces glorious results. Galatians 6:8 (NKJV) says, "He who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life." The more we daily sow to the spirit, the stronger our spirits will become. We will confidently stand our ground, resist the enemy and receive more from God.

Seven Habits of Strong Believers

1. **They Feed Their Spirits by Making a Habit of Reading God's Word Every Day.**
   a. Matthew 4:4: "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every Word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God."
   b. Matthew 6:11: "Give us this day our daily bread."
   c. "Arrange your schedule around the Word instead of trying to make the Word fit into your busy life." —Gloria Copeland, *God's Will for You—Expanded Legacy Edition*

We renew our minds to think like God thinks, instead of like man thinks, and it works.
—Gloria Copeland

2. **They Build Up Their Faith by Listening to God's Word Every Day.**
   a. Romans 10:17: "So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God."
   b. Proverbs 4:20-22: "My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings. Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart. For

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they are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh."

c. "Romans 10:17 says, 'Faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God.' But you need to know something else: Doubt comes by hearing also. That's why Jesus said, 'Be careful what you are hearing...' (Mark 4:24, *The Amplified Bible, Classic Edition)*." —Gloria Copeland

3. **They Strengthen and Encourage Themselves Daily by Speaking God's Word Over Their Lives.**
   a. Matthew 8:8—Speak the Word only.
   b. Proverbs 18:21: "Death and life are in the power of the tongue…."
   c. "Put God's Word in your heart and you will speak it with your mouth. God's Word in your mouth will cause good things to happen in your life." —Gloria Copeland, *God's Will for You—Expanded Legacy Edition*
   d. See the five confessions included to get you started.
      i. Strengthen Your Spirit Declaring Who You Are In Christ Jesus
      ii. Strengthen Your Spirit Declaring What You Have In Christ Jesus
      iii. Strengthen Your Spirit Declaring What You Can Do In Christ Jesus
      iv. God Is My Strength
      v. Daily Confession
4. **They Dominate and Control Their Thought Lives by Filling Their Minds With God's Word.**
   a. Romans 12:2 (NKJV): "And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God."
      i. Meditating on the Word of God is how you allow the Word to dominate your thinking.
      ii. We establish and fix our hearts upon the Word by meditating on it.
   b. Joshua 1:8 (NKJV): "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."
   c. Philippians 4:8: "Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things."

Praise is the language of receiving.
If you've believed you received it, you're going to be thanking God for it.
If you're still trying to get it, then you're not going to be thanking God for it.
Whether it manifests yet or not, you've received it. It's coming. You don't quit.
—Gloria Copeland

   d. 2 Corinthians 10:5: "Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ."
      i. You have to already know what God says.

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ii. When thoughts and situations come up, you say what the Word says.
iii. When you have a thought that is opposite of what God says belongs to you, you say, "I'm not taking that thought." Capture that wrong thought and cast it out.

e. Isaiah 26:3: "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee."

5. They Anchor and Establish Their Hearts by Giving God Continual Praise and Thanksgiving.

a. Psalm 34:1: "I will bless the Lord at all times: His praise shall continually be in my mouth."
b. Praise is the language of faith. It's the language of receiving. Praise believes that you have received.
c. Psalm 8:2: "Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength because of thine enemies, that thou mightest still the enemy and the avenger."
   i. Matthew 21:16: "…And Jesus saith unto them, Yea; have ye never read, Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings thou hast perfected praise?"
d. Praise produces spiritual strength.

6. They Edify Themselves and "Charge Their Batteries" by Praying Much in Other Tongues.

a. 1 Corinthians 14:4: "He that speaketh in an unknown tongue edifieth himself."
b. Jude 20: "But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost."
c. "So we could paraphrase First Corinthians 14:4 like this: 'He that speaketh in an unknown tongue *edifies himself, builds himself up, or charges himself up like a battery.*' In other words, as we pray in tongues, we are charging up our spirits by the power of the Holy Spirit!" —Kenneth E. Hagin, *Tongues: Beyond the Upper Room*

7. They Become Streamlined by Getting Rid of Excess Baggage.

a. Hebrews 12:1: "Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us."
b. 1 Peter 5:6-7 (AMPC): "Therefore humble yourselves...under the mighty hand of God, that in due time He may exalt you, casting the whole of your care [all your anxieties, all your worries, all your concerns, once and for all] on Him, for He cares for you affectionately and cares about you watchfully."
c. It is possible to accomplish more spiritually by shaving off all the unnecessary things. You don't need more power. You just need to get rid of the drain, hindrances and excess weight.

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Strengthen Your Spirit

Declaring Who *You Are* in Christ Jesus

…David encouraged and strengthened himself in the Lord his God.
1 Samuel 30:6, AMPC

Whatever the Word of God says I am…I AM!

I am a new creation, created in Christ Jesus. (2 Corinthians 5:17)

I am the righteousness of God in Christ. (2 Corinthians 5:21)

I am healed by the stripes of Jesus. (1 Peter 2:24)

I am more than a conqueror through Him that loves me. (Romans 8:37)

I am strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. (Ephesians 6:10)

I am rich through Jesus. (2 Corinthians 8:9)

I am complete in Him. (Colossians 2:10)

I am His workmanship created in Christ Jesus for good works. (Ephesians 2:10)

I am a son and an heir of God. (Galatians 4:7)

I am redeemed from the curse of the Law. (Galatians 3:13)

I am walking in the blessings of Abraham. (Galatians 3:14)

I am like a tree planted by the rivers of water. I bring forth my fruit in my season. My leaf won't wither and whatsoever I do shall prosper. (Psalm 1:3)

I am as bold as a lion. (Proverbs 28:1)

I am not ashamed of the gospel of Jesus Christ. (Romans 1:16)

I am free from fear. (1 John 4:18)

I am in this world just like Jesus is. (1 John 4:17)

I am a world overcomer. (1 John 5:4-5)

I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God. (Galatians 2:20)

I am of quick understanding in the fear of the Lord. (Isaiah 11:3)

I am strong in faith giving glory to God. (Romans 4:20)

I am not afraid of evil tidings. My heart is fixed, established and trusting in the Lord. (Psalm 112:6-8)

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Strengthen Your Spirit

Declaring What *You Have* in Christ Jesus

…David encouraged and strengthened himself in the Lord his God.
1 Samuel 30:6, AMPC

Whatever the Word of God says I have…I HAVE!

I have the faith of God residing in me. (Mark 11:22)

I have boldness and access with confidence before God. (Ephesians 3:12)

I have the peace of God that passes understanding. (Philippians 4:7)

I have redemption through the blood of Jesus. (Colossians 1:14)

I have joy unspeakable and full of Glory. (1 Peter 1:8)

I have God's love. (1 John 4:16)

I have victory that overcomes the world. (1 John 5:4)

I have the mind of Christ. (Philippians 2:5)

I have all my need supplied according to His riches in Glory by Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:19)

I have godly wisdom and understanding. (Ephesians 1:17-18)

I have been given the spirit of power and of love and of a sound mind—not the spirit of fear. (2 Timothy 1:7)

I have the right to come boldly to the throne of grace to obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need. (Hebrews 4:16)

I have Christ in me, the hope of glory. (Colossian 1:27)

I have the Spirit of the Lord resting upon me: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of council and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord. (Isaiah 11:2)

I have the tongue of the learned, so that I should know how to speak a word to him that is weary. (Isaiah 50:4)

I have the joy of the Lord, which is my strength. (Nehemiah 8:10)

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Strengthen Your Spirit

Declaring What *You Can Do* in Christ Jesus

…David encouraged and strengthened himself in the Lord his God.
1 Samuel 30:6, AMPC

Whatever the Word of God says I can do…I CAN DO!

I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me. (Philippians 4:13)

I can minister with God's ability. (1 Peter 4:11)

I can always triumph in Christ. (2 Corinthians 2:14)

I can walk by faith. (2 Corinthians 5:7)

I can call those things which be not as though they were. (Romans 4:17)

I can reign in life by Jesus Christ. (Romans 5:17)

I can be led by the Spirit. (Romans 8:14)

I can lay hands on the sick and see them recover. (Mark 16:18)

I can use the authority in the Name of Jesus to overcome sin, sickness, demons, fear, lack and death. (Philippians 2:9-11)

I can lead others to Jesus as an ambassador and a minister of reconciliation. (2 Corinthians 5:19-20)

I can believe that all things are possible to me. (Mark 9:23)

I can mount up with wings as eagles because my strength is renewed. (Isaiah 40:31)

I can run and not be weary. (Isaiah 40:31)

I can walk and not faint. (Isaiah 40:31)

I can preach the gospel to the poor, heal the brokenhearted, preach deliverance to the captives, recovery of sight to the blind, set at liberty them that are bruised and preach the Year of Jubilee because the Spirit of the Lord is upon me and has anointed me. (Luke 4:18)

I can fight the good fight of faith. (2 Timothy 4:7)

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God Is My Strength

(Psalm 18:29-50)

…David encouraged and strengthened himself in the Lord his God.
1 Samuel 30:6, AMPC

For by Thee have I run through a troop,
by my God have I leaped over a wall.

God is my strength and power.

He makes my way perfect.

He makes my feet like hinds' feet.

He sets me upon my high places.

He teaches my hands to war.

A bow of steel is broken by my arms.

You have given me the shield of salvation.

Your gentleness has made me great.

You have enlarged my steps under me.

My feet do not slip.

I have pursued my enemies and destroyed them.

I turned not again until I had consumed them.

You have girded me with strength for battle.

Those that rose up against me,
You have subdued under me.

The Lord lives and blessed be my Rock,
Exalted is the God of the Rock of my Salvation.

You have lifted me high above my enemy.

You have delivered me from the violent man.

I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, among the nations.

I will sing praises unto Thy Name.

You are the Tower of Salvation.

You show mercy to me and to my children forevermore.

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DAILY CONFESSION

Pastors George and Terri Pearsons

(Abridged Version)

We are expecting our greatest blessing EVER today, because great grace is upon us all.

We have victory over death and receive the manifestation of the love of Jesus.

We declare the glory of the Lord over our lives:

The manifested presence of God
The manifested power of God
The manifested goodness of God
The presence of God, heavy with everything good, is upon us this day.

This is the Year of the Open Door.
We are stepping through open doors into the glory.

This is the Year of Visitations, Manifestations and Demonstrations.
We receive signs, wonders and miracles in our lives, ministry and church.

This is the Year of the Overcomer.
We overcome by the blood of the Lamb and the word of our testimony.
This is the victory that overcomes the world, even our faith.

This is the Year of the Jubilee.
We are walking in freedom and liberty.

The Spirit of the Lord is upon us because He has anointed us

to preach the gospel to the poor, to heal the brokenhearted,
to preach deliverance to the captives, the recovering of sight to the blind,
to set at liberty them that are bruised
and to preach the acceptable year of the Lord, the year of Jubilee.

We are walking in the supernatural today.

Supernatural health
Supernatural wealth
Supernatural provision
Supernatural protection
Supernatural direction
Supernatural wisdom

We are healed from the crown of our heads to the soles of our feet.

We are delivered from destruction and walk in divine protection.

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> No weapon formed against us shall prosper and every tongue that rises up against us, we condemn, for this is the heritage of the Lord, and our righteousness is of Him.

We are led, directed and guided by the Holy Spirit.

We hear the voice of the Good Shepherd, and a stranger's voice we shall not follow.

We are prospering and increasing every day, we and our children.

Because we are tithers, the windows of heaven are opened over us,
pouring out a blessing we can't contain. The devourer is rebuked for our sakes.
He shall not destroy the fruit of our ground and neither shall our vine cast her fruit
before the time in the field. Nations call us blessed because we are a delightsome land.

Because we are sowers, the hundredfold return is working on our behalf every day.
God is able to make all grace, every favor and earthly blessing come to us in abundance,
so that we may always, and under all circumstances, and whatever the need,
be self-sufficient, possessing enough to require no aid or support,
and furnished in abundance for every good work and charitable donation.

Because we are investors, our investments are producing mighty fruit.

> The Lord commands THE BLESSING upon us in our storehouses
> and upon all we set our hands to do.

Our spirits are strong, our emotions are settled, our minds are sharp and our bodies are healed.

We are strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.

We are like trees planted by the rivers of water who bear fruit in our season.
Our leaves do not wither and whatsoever we do shall prosper.

Our steps are ordered by the Lord today and we declare the end from the beginning,
in Jesus' Mighty Name.

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Truly Rich

"Rich" Is Not a Dirty Word

Day #191

A. Proverbs 10:22—THE BLESSING of the Lord, It Makes Rich and He Adds No Sorrow With It

1. AMPC: "The blessing of the Lord—it makes [truly] rich, and He adds no sorrow with it [neither does toiling increase it]."
2. NIV-84: "The blessing of the Lord brings wealth, and He adds no trouble to it."
3. *Brenton:* "The blessing of the Lord is upon the head of the righteous; it enriches him, and grief of heart shall not be added to it."
4. GNB: "It is the Lord's blessing that makes you wealthy."
5. Dare to say: "THE BLESSING of the Lord makes me truly rich."

B. 2 Corinthians 8:9—*Rich* Is Not a Dirty Word—It Is a Bible Word

1. "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. Genesis 14:22-23: "And Abram said to the king of Sodom, I have lift up mine hand unto the Lord, the most high God, the possessor of heaven and earth, that I will not take from a thread even to a shoelatchet, and that I will not take anything that is thine, lest thou shouldest say, I have made Abram rich."
3. Deuteronomy 8:18 (NLT-96): "Always remember that it is the Lord your God who gives you power to become rich, and he does it to fulfill the covenant he made with your ancestors."
   a. To increase in goods
   b. To have an abundance of outward possessions
   c. To be richly supplied
4. Even the world knows better
   a. *The Guide to Becoming Rich*
   b. *Start Late, Finish Rich*
   c. *Dare to Be Rich*
   d. *Smart Women Finish Rich* (See Proverbs 31:10-31.)
5. The key to biblical wealth lies in how it is handled.
   a. What are you doing with your prosperity?
   b. Money is not bad. It depends on who has it and what they do with it.

C. Isaiah 32:7-8 (AMPC)—The Difference Between Godly Wealth and Worldly Wealth

1. Their differing character traits are clearly defined in Scripture.

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   a. Verse 7: "The instruments and methods of the fraudulent and greedy [for gain] are evil; he devises wicked devices to ruin the poor and the lowly with lying words, even when the plea of the needy is just and right."
   b. Verse 8: "But the noble, openhearted, and liberal man devises noble things; and he stands for what is noble, openhearted, and generous."
2. Worldly wealth is about self.
3. Godly wealth is about serving God and others.
4. The world's motivation for accumulation is acquisition.
5. The believer's motivation for accumulation is distribution.
6. The worldly rich use people to get things.
7. The godly rich use things to love people.

If it has sorrow, it's something that you added to it.
If you obey God, there's no sorrow with it.
—Gloria Copeland

Whether money is good or bad depends on who has the money.
When the righteous have money, they do good things with it.
When the wicked have money, they do bad things with it.
—Gloria Copeland, *True Prosperity*

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Truly Rich

Paul's Instructions to the Rich

Day #192

A. 1 Timothy 6:17-18—Paul's Instructions to the Rich

1. Don't be high-minded.
2. Trust in the living God.
3. Do good.
4. Be rich in good works.
5. Be ready to distribute and willing to communicate.

B. Acts 24:25—Paul Was a Rich Man

1. He did not exclude rich people from the Church.
2. He did not tell them they couldn't be a Christian because they were rich.
3. Acts 24:25-26 (NIV): "As Paul talked about righteousness, self-control and the judgment to come, Felix was afraid and said, 'That's enough for now! You may leave. When I find it convenient, I will send for you.' At the same time he was hoping that Paul would offer him a bribe, so he sent for him frequently and talked with him."
   a. No one expects a bribe from a poor man.
   b. Verse 26: "He hoped also that money should have been given him of Paul, that he might loose him."
4. Philemon 18 (AMPC): "And if he has done you any wrong in any way or owes anything [to you], charge that to my account."
   a. NLT: "Charge it to me."
   b. *Weymouth:* "Debit me with the amount."
5. Philippians 4:18 (AMPC): "I have everything I need and am amply supplied."
   a. KJV: "I have all, and abound."
   b. MSG: "I have it all—and keep getting more!"

C. 1 Timothy 6:9-10—Paul Understood the Pitfalls of Wealth

1. AMPC: "But those who crave to be rich fall into temptation and a snare and into many foolish (useless, godless) and hurtful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction and miserable perishing. For the love of money is a root of all evils; it is through this craving that some have been led astray and have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves through with many acute [mental] pangs."
2. MSG: "But if it's only money these leaders are after, they'll self-destruct in no time. Lust for money brings trouble and nothing but trouble. Going down that path, some lose

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their footing in the faith completely and live to regret it bitterly ever after."

3. Matthew 19:23-24 (AMPC): "And Jesus said to His disciples, Truly I say to you, it will be difficult for a rich man to get into the kingdom of heaven. Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to go into the kingdom of heaven."
4. 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."
    a. AMPC: "Then the cares and anxieties of the world and distractions of the age, and the pleasure and delight and false glamour and deceitfulness of riches, and the craving and passionate desire for other things creep in and choke and suffocate the Word, and it becomes fruitless."
    b. NLT: "But all too quickly the message is crowded out by the worries of this life, the lure of wealth, and the desire for other things, so no fruit is produced."
5. 1 Timothy 6:17: "Charge them that are rich in this world."
    a. *Charge* (GK) = Order them, command them, teach them
    b. MSG: "Tell those rich in this world's wealth to quit being so full of themselves and so obsessed with money."
    c. Paul was not intimidated by rich people.
    d. He was upfront and in their face.

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Truly Rich

Don't Be High-Minded

Day #193

Foundation Scripture: "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; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life" (1 Timothy 6:17-19).

A. 1 Timothy 6:17—Don't Be High-Minded

1. *High-minded* (GK) = arrogant, haughty and prideful
2. *Arrogant* (Merriam-Webster) = disposed to exaggerate one's own worth or importance by an overbearing manner
3. AMPC: "Charge them not to be proud and arrogant and contemptuous of others."
4. MSG: "Tell those rich in this world's wealth to quit being so full of themselves and so obsessed with money."
5. Paul realized that one of the pitfalls of having wealth was the temptation to see one's self as being superior to others.
    a. True prosperity walks in humility.
    b. Humility is not putting yourself down.
    c. Humility is setting yourself aside to meet the needs of others.

There is a one word difference in godly rich and worldly rich—peace.
—Gloria Copeland

B. Luke 16:19-31 (NIV-84)—The Rich Man and Lazarus

1. Verses 19-21: "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores and longing to eat what fell from the rich man's table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores."
    a. The rich man never reached out to the beggar.
    b. He most likely wanted him out of the way and was relieved when he died.
2. Verses 22-24: "The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side. So he called to him, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire.'"
    a. The rich man began ordering Abraham to order Lazarus to go fetch some water.

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   b. He would not even speak directly to Lazarus—it was still beneath him.
3. Verses 25-26: "But Abraham replied, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who want to go from here to you cannot, nor can anyone cross over from there to us.'"
   a. Abraham tried to talk to the rich man about the beggar and about the great chasm.
   b. He completely ignored Abraham on both counts.
4. Verses 27-29: "He answered, 'Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus to my father's house, for I have five brothers. Let him warn them, so that they will not also come to this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them listen to them.'"
   a. Again, the rich man is talking directly to Abraham to send Lazarus to his father's house.
   b. The rich man is not hearing Abraham.
5. Verses 30-31: "'No, father Abraham,' he said, 'but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the Prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.'"
   a. Now, the rich man is arguing with Abraham.
   b. The wealthy have a tendency to not listen, be prideful and act arrogantly toward others.

C. Humility Vs. Pride

1. Psalm 73:6-9 (NLT): "They wear pride like a jeweled necklace and clothe themselves with cruelty. These fat cats have everything their hearts could ever wish for! They scoff and speak only evil; in their pride they seek to crush others. They boast against the very heavens, and their words strut throughout the earth."
2. Proverbs 18:23 (MSG): "The poor speak in soft supplications; the rich bark out answers."
   a. NLT: "The poor plead for mercy; the rich answer with insults."
   b. NIV: "A poor man pleads for mercy, but a rich man answers harshly."
3. Proverbs 28:11 (MSG): "The rich think they know it all, but the poor can see right through them."
4. Hosea 13:6 (NLT): "But when you had eaten and were satisfied, you became proud and forgot me."
5. Ezekiel 28:4-5 (NLT): "With your wisdom and understanding you have amassed great wealth—gold and silver for your treasuries. Yes, your wisdom has made you very rich, and your riches have made you very proud."
6. Revelation 3:17 (MSG): "You brag, 'I'm rich, I've got it made, I need nothing from anyone,' oblivious that in fact you're a pitiful, blind beggar, threadbare and homeless."
7. Jeremiah 9:23-24 (NLT): "This is what the Lord says: 'Don't let the wise boast in their wisdom, or the powerful boast in their power, or the rich boast in their riches. But those who wish to boast should boast in this alone: that they truly know me and understand that I am the Lord who demonstrates unfailing love and who brings justice and righteousness to the earth, and that I delight in these things. I, the Lord, have spoken!'"

True humility and fear of the Lord lead to riches, honor, and long life.
—Proverbs 22:4, NLT

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Truly Rich

Trust in the Living God—Part 1

Day #194

Foundation Scripture: "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; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life" (1 Timothy 6:17-19).

A. 1 Timothy 6:17—Don't Trust in Wealth

1. NIV: "Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment."
2. NLT: "Teach those who are rich in this world not to be proud and not to trust in their money, which is so unreliable. Their trust should be in God, who richly gives us all we need for our enjoyment."
3. MSG: "Tell those rich in this world's wealth to quit being so full of themselves and so obsessed with money, which is here today and gone tomorrow. Tell them to go after God, who piles on all the riches we could ever manage."
4. Paul understood that the rich were tempted to replace their trust in God with their trust in wealth.
5. His assignment was to lead the rich away from their trust in money and redirect their trust toward God.

Money only goes so far, but God goes all the way.
—Gloria Copeland & Pastor George Pearsons

B. Mark 10:17-23 (NIV)—The Rich Young Ruler

1. Verses 17-18: "As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. 'Good teacher,' he asked, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' 'Why do you call me good?' Jesus answered. 'No one is good—except God alone.'"
2. Verses 19-20: "You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, you shall not defraud, honor your father and mother.' 'Teacher,' he declared, 'all these I have kept since I was a boy.'"
3. Verse 21: "Jesus looked at him and loved him. 'One thing you lack,' he said. 'Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.'"
    a. Jesus was also looking for Judas' replacement.
    b. Jesus was calling him into the ministry as an apostle.

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4. Verse 22: "At this the man's face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth."
    a. KJV: "And he was sad at that saying, and went away grieved: for he had great possessions."
    b. AMPC: "At that saying the man's countenance fell and was gloomy, and he went away grieved and sorrowing, for he was holding great possessions."
    c. Luke 18:23: "And when he heard this, he was very sorrowful: for he was very rich."
    d. He experienced acute unhappiness and depression over the thought of losing what he had amassed.
    e. Jesus never said he had to be poor to be an apostle.
5. Verse 23: "Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God.'"
    a. The rich are entrenched in the world's system of finance.
    b. Those who are "truly rich" can cross over into the Kingdom system.
6. Verses 24-25 (KJV): "And the disciples were astonished at his words. But Jesus answereth again, and saith unto them, Children, how hard is it for them that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God."
    a. "Jesus was telling him to sell and give to the poor. But why did He tell him that and we don't have any record of anything of Him saying that any other time? Because that was his problem. He was keeping the commandments. He was doing what was good. But he had this one problem. He was trying to set him free so that he could trust in Him. "Trusting in riches is the danger of being caught up in the world's system. This world's system can only go so far. It is not the answer to every need. Thank God I am not dependent upon the world's system!" —Gloria Copeland, *The Kingdom of God—Days of Heaven on Earth*
7. Verses 26-27 (NIV): "The disciples were even more amazed, and said to each other, 'Who then can be saved?' Jesus looked at them and said, 'With man this is impossible, but not with God; all things are possible with God.'"
    a. It is possible to be wealthy and saved.
    b. Just keep your trust in God and not in your wealth.

C. Who Do You Trust?

1. Proverbs 11:28 (NLT): "Trust in your money and down you go! But the godly flourish like leaves in spring."
2. Psalm 52:7-8 (NLT): "'Look what happens to mighty warriors who do not trust in God. They trust their wealth instead and grow more and more bold in their wickedness.' But I am like an olive tree, thriving in the house of God. I will always trust in God's unfailing love."
3. Psalm 62:10 (NIV-84): "Do not trust in extortion or take pride in stolen goods; though your riches increase, do not set your heart on them."
    a. NLT: "Don't make your living by extortion or put your hope in stealing. And if your wealth increases, don't make it the center of your life."
4. Jeremiah 17:5-6 (NIV-84): "This is what the Lord says: 'Cursed is the one who trusts in man, who depends on flesh for his strength and whose heart turns away from the LORD. He will be like a bush in the wastelands; he will not see prosperity when it comes. He will dwell in the parched places of the desert, in a salt land where no one lives.'"
5. Jeremiah 17:7-8 (NIV-84): "But blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him. They will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit."

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Trust in the Living God—Part 2

Day #195

Foundation Scripture: "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; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life" (1 Timothy 6:17-19).

A. 1 Timothy 6:17—Their Trust Should Be in God

1. Paul understood that the source of trust can shift once money enters the picture.
2. Once trust has shifted, the next step is to forget God.
3. Hosea 13:6 (NIV): "When I fed them, they were satisfied; when they were satisfied, they became proud; then they forgot me."
4. Once the rich forget God, it is downhill from there.
5. Isaiah 17:10-11 (NIV): "You have forgotten God your Savior; you have not remembered the Rock, your fortress. Therefore, though you set out the finest plants and plant imported vines, though on the day you set them out, you make them grow, and on the morning when you plant them, you bring them to bud, yet the harvest will be as nothing in the day of disease and incurable pain."
6. Tithing helps you trust in the Lord. Whether you have a little or a lot, give your tithe first.
7. If you get ahold of your money, it won't get ahold of you.
8. Malachi 3:10-12—Tithing gives everyone the same opportunity to prosper. It puts you on a level playing field.

B. Make Sure You Are Depending on God

"Again, please note this scripture (1 Timothy 6:17) doesn't say to charge them that are rich in this world to get rid of everything they have, because God doesn't like people who have things. It doesn't tell us to save one old shiny suit and move off into a cabin in the hills and be humble. If you do that, you simply take yourself out of any position to bless anyone else in the rest of the world. That's the most selfish thing that a Christian could do.

"No, these verses simply said the rich shouldn't trust in their riches, but in God. That's an important point. It's something you'll have to deal with where your own mind and flesh are concerned, and the more you prosper, the more you'll have to deal with it.

"You'll have to judge yourself every day of your life on your own inner attitude and faith to make sure you're depending on God and not on what you have in the bank. But don't let that scare you. Just make a sober determination that you'll do it."

—Kenneth Copeland, *Blessed to Be a Blessing*

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C. Deuteronomy 8:11-20 (NLT-96)—Make Sure You Don't Forget God

1. Verse 11: "But that is the time to be careful! Beware that in your plenty you do not forget the Lord your God and disobey his commands, regulations, and laws."
2. Verses 12-13: "For when you have become full and prosperous and have built fine homes to live in and when your flocks and herds have become very large and your silver and gold have multiplied along with everything else."
3. Verses 14-16: "That is the time to be careful. Do not become proud at that time and forget the Lord your God, who rescued you from slavery in the land of Egypt. Do not forget that he led you through the great and terrifying wilderness with poisonous snakes and scorpions, where it was so hot and dry. He gave you water from the rock!"
4. Verses 17-18: "He did it so you would never think that it was your own strength and energy that made you wealthy. Always remember that it is the Lord your God who gives you power to become rich, and he does it to fulfill the covenant he made with your ancestors."
5. Verses 19-20: "But I assure you of this: If you ever forget the Lord your God and follow other gods, worshiping and bowing down to them, you will certainly be destroyed. Just as the Lord has destroyed other nations in your path, you also will be destroyed for not obeying the Lord your God."

D. Keep Putting God First

"Prosperity is the result of doing God's ways.

"Some pass the poverty test, but fail the prosperity test. You get your needs met and receive great abundance. But, your heart will begin to grow cold if you don't keep God's Word first place in your life. All of a sudden, you are taken with the things that have been added to you. They could be things like cars, planes, houses, land—whatever it is that you like.

"You have to walk circumspectly to walk in prosperity. You have to keep putting God first.

"When all your needs are met, remember where you got it. Remember that it was God that gave you the power to get wealth. One thing about wealth—it can come quickly and it can go quickly."

—Gloria Copeland, *The Kingdom of God—Days of Heaven on Earth*

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Trust in the Living God—Part 3

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Give God the first and the best and you can have the rest.
And then the rest will do more because He has something to bless.
—Gloria Copeland

Foundation Scripture: "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; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life" (1 Timothy 6:17-19).

A. 1 Timothy 6:9-10—Love God—Not Money

1. "But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. 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."
2. Ecclesiastes 5:10-11 (NIV-84): "Whoever loves money never has money enough; whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with his income. This too is meaningless. As goods increase, so do those who consume them. And what benefit are they to the owner except to feast his eyes on them?"
3. Proverbs 8:17-21 (NIV-84): "I love those who love me, and those who seek me find me. With me are riches and honor, enduring wealth and prosperity. My fruit is better than fine gold; what I yield surpasses choice silver. I walk in the way of righteousness, along the paths of justice, bestowing wealth on those who love me and making their treasuries full."

B. Psalm 34:10—Seek God—Not Money

1. NIV: "The lions may grow weak and hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing."
2. 2 Chronicles 26:5 (AMPC): "He set himself to seek God in the days of Zechariah, who instructed him in the things of God; and as long as he sought (inquired of, yearned for) the Lord, God made him prosper."
3. 2 Chronicles 26:16 (NIV): "But after Uzziah became powerful, his pride led to his downfall. He was unfaithful to the Lord his God."
4. 2 Chronicles 31:20-21 (NIV-84): "This is what Hezekiah did throughout Judah, doing

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what was good and right and faithful before the Lord his God. In everything that he undertook in the service of God's temple and in obedience to the law and the commands, he sought his God and worked wholeheartedly. And so he prospered."

5. Matthew 6:33 (AMPC): "But seek (aim at and strive after) first of all His kingdom and His righteousness (His way of doing and being right), and then all these things taken together will be given you besides."

C. Job 36:11-12—Obey God—Not Money

1. NIV: "If they obey and serve him, they will spend the rest of their days in prosperity and their years in contentment. But if they do not listen, they will perish by the sword and die without knowledge."
2. Deuteronomy 28:1-2 (NIV): "If you fully obey the Lord your God and carefully follow all his commands I give you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all the nations on earth. All these blessings will come upon you and accompany you if you obey the Lord your God."
3. Isaiah 1:19: "If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land."
4. Matthew 6:24 (NIV-84): "No one can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and Money."
5. The role of money in our lives:
    a. Some are slaves to money—driven to earn it and keep it.
    b. Money serves us—we don't serve money.
    c. Psalm 104:14: "He causeth the grass to grow for the cattle, and herb for the service of man: that he may bring forth food out of the earth."
    d. "If you make decisions based on money, you will be wrong 99% of the time. If you make decisions based on the anointing, you will be right 99% of the time. Even if you miss it, you will be in position for God to correct you." —Kenneth Copeland, March 25, 2015

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Take Off the Limits Studio Taping Notes

Day #197

A. Romans 13:8—Being *Truly Rich* Is Living Debt Free

1. Don't be discouraged if you're in debt.
2. Make a quality decision right now to live debt free.
3. Your quality decision opens the door to faith and to stand on the Word of God.

B. Proverbs 10:22—Develop Your Faith for Debt Freedom

1. We live by faith!
2. Set yourself on a debt-free course by never borrowing again, tithing and trusting God as He leads you. Nothing is impossible to those who believe!
3. When people think about not borrowing money, they think, "We won't have anything." The truth is, you can have everything when you start using your faith!

When you say, "Debt Freedom" you're really saying, "No Limits!"
— Gloria Copeland

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Do Good—Original Study Notes

Day #197

Foundation Scripture: "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; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life" (1 Timothy 6:17-19).

A. 1 Timothy 6:18—Do Good With Your Money

1. Why would Paul have to point out the obvious?
   a. The rich had a reputation for using their money to do wicked things.
   b. Psalm 73:3-12—The wealth of the wicked
   c. Those wicked things lead to disaster.
2. Proverbs 1:18-19 (NIV-84): "These men lie in wait for their own blood; they waylay only themselves! Such is the end of all who go after ill-gotten gain; it takes away the lives of those who get it."
   a. Proverbs 28:16 (NIV-84): "A tyrannical ruler lacks judgment, but he who hates ill-gotten gain will enjoy a long life."
3. Proverbs 13:11 (NIV-84): "Dishonest money dwindles away, but he who gathers money little by little makes it grow."
   a. NLT: "Wealth from get-rich-quick schemes quickly disappears; wealth from hard work grows over time."
   b. AMPC: "Wealth [not earned but] won in haste or unjustly or from the production of things for vain or detrimental use [such riches] will dwindle away, but he who gathers little by little will increase [his riches]."
   c. *Matthew Henry Commentary:* "Wealth gotten by dishonesty or vice has a secret curse, which will speedily waste it."
4. Proverbs 28:8 (NLT): "Income from charging high interest rates will end up in the pocket of someone who is kind to the poor."
   a. AMPC: "He who by charging excessive interest and who by unjust efforts to get gain increases his material possession gathers it for him [to spend] who is kind and generous to the poor."
5. Proverbs 28:20 (AMPC): "A faithful man shall abound with blessings, but he who makes haste to be rich [at any cost] shall not go unpunished."

B. Properly Handling Wealth

"The sages of the Jewish commentaries say that judgment is sometimes in riches.

"How could that be?

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"For example, look at an entertainer or an athlete who never had money and is now making lots of money. He has more money than he knows what to do with. But because he is not born again and spirit filled and is living in a dark world, he won't be taking it to church. Where is he going to take it? He will take it to the drug dealer, to the beer joint and to immorality. He can buy all the immorality and drugs that he wants. That is why so many of these people are in trouble. Financially, they have the world on a string—but the world is all they have. Their money drives them to judgment.

"Whether money is good or bad depends on who has the money.

"When the righteous have money, they do good things with it. When the wicked have money, they do bad things with it. And those bad things lead to death—many times at an early age. You might ask, 'Why would that famous person throw his life away?' The reason is because he doesn't know what else to do with it. He is living in the kingdom of darkness.

"You can't look at the rich and wonder how they got their money. Money acquired by ill-gotten gain is not from God. You could be part of the mafia and have lots of money—but you probably won't live out your full number of days. What happens to all of the 'ill-gotten gained' money? It will go right into the hands of the just.

"Do you want to be one of those hands?

"Well, get it together and you can be!"

—Gloria Copeland, *True Prosperity*

C. Luke 19:1-10—A Wealthy, Wicked Man Who Did a Good Thing

1. Verses 1-2 (NIV-84): "Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy."
2. Verses 3-4 (NIV-84) "He wanted to see who Jesus was, but being a short man he could not, because of the crowd. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way."
3. Verses 5-6 (NIV): "When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, 'Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today.' So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly."
4. Verses 7-8 (NIV-84): "All the people saw this and began to mutter, 'He has gone to be the guest of a "sinner."' But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, 'Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount.'"
5. Verses 9-10 (NIV): "Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.'"

True prosperity is the ability to use God's power
to meet the needs of mankind in any realm of life.
—Kenneth Copeland, *The Laws of Prosperity*

I am convinced in my mind, by my heart, that the reason I want money is to do the work of the gospel. Thank You, Lord, for the peace of that revelation. Satan—you will never be able to make me believe ever again that the reason I want money is for selfish gain. My God is my Provider.
—Jeremy Pearsons (Age 19)

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Blessed to Be a Blessing—Studio Taping Notes

Day #198

A. Proverbs 10:22 (AMPC)—Godly Wealth Vs. Worldly Wealth

1. Godly wealth = no sorrow, lay down to sleep in peace, truly blessed, empowered to prosper
2. Worldly wealth = still under the curse, dangerous, can ruin a man
3. Prosperity with wisdom = *Truly Rich*

B. True Prosperity

1. True prosperity is the ability to meet the needs of man—spirit, soul, body, financially, socially—in every way.
2. 3 John 2—Prosperity begins on the inside, first.
   a. See yourself as a sower.
   b. Truly rich doesn't stop with you, it goes through you.
   c. 1 Timothy 6:17-19—Do good and be rich in good works!
3. Luke 6:38—The more you do it, the more you increase.
   a. Men will come running over to give to you!
   b. The heart of the truly rich is to be a giver—just like Jesus.
   c. You can be a big giver, even if you don't have big money.
4. 1 John 3:17—Jesus was the greatest giver to ever walk the earth.
   a. He was rich in good works.
   b. He gave to meet the needs of those around Him.
   c. He sowed His biggest seed—Himself—for us.
5. God prospers us in order for us to be givers!

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Be Rich in Good Works—Part 1 Original Study Notes

Day #198

Foundation Scripture: "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; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life" (1 Timothy 6:17-19).

A. Ephesians 6:5-9—The Wealth Mentality

1. Paul understood that the rich subscribed to a "master vs. slave" mentality.
2. They were accustomed to being the dictator while those around them were required to fulfill their every command.
   a. This did not just apply toward those who served them.
   b. The rich were treating their Christian brethren this way as well.
3. Paul had to adjust the conduct of the rich.
4. Ephesians 6:9 (AMPC): "You masters, act on the same [principle] toward them and give up threatening and using violent and abusive words, knowing that He Who is both their Master and yours is in heaven, and that there is no respect of persons (no partiality) with Him."
5. Colossians 4:1 (MSG): "And masters, treat your servants considerately. Be fair with them. Don't forget for a minute that you, too, serve a Master—God in heaven."

B. 1 Timothy 6:18—That They Be Rich in Good Works

1. He admonished them to be "rich in good works."
   a. TCNT: "Urge upon them to show kindness, to exhibit a wealth of good actions."
   b. MSG: "Be rich in helping others."
   c. Your good works should be as abundant as your riches.
2. Matthew 5:16 (AMPC): "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your moral excellence and your praiseworthy, noble, and good deeds and recognize and honor and praise and glorify your Father Who is in heaven."
3. 1 Peter 2:12 (NIV): "Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us."
4. Acts 9:36 (NIV-84): "In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (which, when translated, is Dorcas), who was always doing good and helping the poor."
5. Luke 10:30-35—The Good Samaritan
   a. Verse 35 (NIV): "The next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the

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innkeeper. 'Look after him,' he said, 'and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.'"

b. True wealth is found in helping others.

C. Matthew 27:57-60 (AMPC)—The Rich Man From Arimathea

1. Verse 57: "When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who also was a disciple of Jesus."
   a. A rich man can also be a follower of Jesus.
   b. He stepped in to help Jesus' family, seeing that they did not own a tomb in Jerusalem.
2. Verse 58: "He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus, and Pilate ordered that it be given to him."
   a. Joseph had great wealth—and great influence among the leadership of Jerusalem.
   b. He boldly went to Pilate and asked for and received the body of Jesus.
3. Verse 59: "And Joseph took the body and rolled it up in a clean linen cloth used for swathing dead bodies."
   a. This rich man carried the body and prepared it himself for burial.
4. Verse 60: "And laid it in his own fresh (undefiled) tomb, which he had hewn in the rock."
   a. This wealthy man built the tomb himself.
5. Verse 60: "And he rolled a big boulder over the door of the tomb and went away."
   a. He did all of this himself, not requiring anyone to do it for him.
   b. He was rich in good works.

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Faith for Debt Freedom—Studio Taping Notes

Day #199

A. The Word Works

1. The moment you act on the Word and act on faith, things begin to come.
2. The supernatural will bring provision.
3. Romans 13:8—Take the Word, stand on it, and walk it out.

B. Put Action to Your Faith

1. Keep out of debt.
2. There is a process of sowing, reaping, praying and speaking the Word. It is a walk of faith that anyone can do.
3. Matthew 18:18-19—You can write a prayer of agreement.

C. Don't Limit God!

1. You are unlimited when you step out in faith, believe and stand on the Word.
2. You can believe for anything when you learn to do it by faith!
3. Being out of debt can happen and will happen to you—by faith.

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What Are You Made Of?

Be Rich in Good Works—Part 2 Original Study Notes

Day #199

Foundation Scripture: "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; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life" (1 Timothy 6:17-19).

A. Luke 12:13-21—Jesus Warning About Covetousness

1. Verse 13: "And one of the company said unto him, Master, speak to my brother, that he divide the inheritance with me."
2. Verse 14: "And he said unto him, Man, who made me a judge or a divider over you?"
3. Verse 15: "And he said unto them, Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth."
    a. NLT: "Then he said, 'Beware! Guard against every kind of greed. Life is not measured by how much you own.'"
    b. MSG: "Protect yourself against the least bit of greed."
    c. AMPC: *Covetousness* = The immoderate desire for wealth, the greedy longing to have more
4. Verses 16-19: "And he spake a parable unto them, saying, The ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully: And he thought within himself, saying, What shall I do, because I have no room where to bestow my fruits? And he said, This will I do: I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry."
5. Verses 20-21: "But God said unto him, Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided? So is he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."

B. 1 Timothy 6:9-10—Paul's Warning Against Covetousness

1. Paul knew that covetousness was a great temptation of the rich.
2. He also realized that covetousness motivated people who wanted to get rich.

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3. *Covetousness* (HEB) = insatiable craving, greed and lust for more—especially at the expense of others
    a. Proverbs 22:16 (NIV-84): "He who oppresses the poor to increase his wealth and he who gives gifts to the rich—both come to poverty."
    b. Jeremiah 17:11 (NIV-84): "Like a partridge that hatches eggs it did not lay is the man who gains riches by unjust means. When his life is half gone, they will desert him, and in the end he will prove to be a fool."
4. *Covetousness* (GK) = a desire for things that exceeds a desire for God
    a. Matthew 6:24 (MSG): "You can't worship two gods at once. Loving one god, you'll end up hating the other. Adoration of one feeds contempt for the other. You can't worship God and Money both."
    b. Psalm 119:36 (MSG): "Give me a bent for your words of wisdom, and not for piling up loot."
5. Covetousness results in disaster.
    a. 1 Timothy 6:9-10 (MSG): "But if it's only money these leaders are after, they'll self-destruct in no time. Lust for money brings trouble and nothing but trouble. Going down that path, some lose their footing in the faith completely and live to regret it bitterly ever after."
    b. Verse 9 (NLT): "But people who long to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many foolish and harmful desires that plunge them into ruin and destruction."
    c. Proverbs 15:27 (NIV-84): "A greedy man brings trouble to his family."
    d. Ecclesiastes 5:13 (NLT): "Hoarding riches harms the saver."
    e. Mark 4:25 (MSG): "Generosity begets generosity. Stinginess impoverishes."

C. Disastrous Results of Covetousness

1. 2 Kings 5:27—Gehazi was the shrewd servant of Elisha. Even though Elisha refused payment for the healing of King Namaan, Gehazi's greed got the best of him. He collected payment anyway and ended up with leprosy as punishment.
2. 2 Chronicles 26:5, 16, 21—As long as King Uzziah sought the Lord, God made him to prosper. But the stronger he got, the more greedy and prideful he became. The result was destruction. He became a leper and remained so until his death.
3. Matthew 26:14-16, 27:3-5—Judas hung himself for betraying Jesus for 30 pieces of silver.
4. Acts 5:1-11—Ananias and Sapphira fell dead for holding back their money and lying about it.
5. Take note of modern-day examples of covetousness—those involved in "Ponzi schemes."

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Ready to Distribute—Willing to Communicate

Day #200

Foundation Scripture: "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; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life" (1 Timothy 6:17-19).

A. 1 Timothy 6:17-18—Be Ready to Distribute

1. Paul knew that the rich had a tendency toward being tightfisted with their money.
   a. Mark 12:41-44—Jesus watched how people gave.
   b. Verse 44 (NLT): "For they gave a tiny part of their surplus, but she, poor as she is, has given everything she had to live on."
2. He had to instruct them to be ready to distribute.
   a. Giving to God with their tithe
   b. Giving to the ministry with their offering
   c. Giving to others in need
3. Ready to distribute (GK) = Liberal and free in their giving
   a. MSG: "Be extravagantly generous"
   b. AMPC: "Be liberal and generous of heart"
4. *Distribute* (GK) KOINONEO = To share; to give some kind of contribution
   a. This is not an occasional act.
   b. It is a regular, consistent, habitual contributing of finances.
5. Genesis 12:2 (AMPC): "And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you [with abundant increase of favors] and make your name famous and distinguished, and you will be a blessing [dispensing good to others]."

B. 1 Timothy 6:17-18—Be Willing to Communicate

1. Paul also knew that the rich had a tendency to be snobby and standoffish to those of lower status.
2. Luke 16:19-31—The Rich Man and Lazarus
   a. The rich man had nothing to do with the beggar while they lived on the earth.
   b. The rich man spoke to the beggar through Abraham after they died.
   c. He was haughty in life and haughty in death.
3. That kind of attitude had to be broken.

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4. *Communicate* (GK) KOINONIKOS
    a. To be sociable
    b. To be ready for fellowship
5. 1 Peter 4:9 (AMPC): "Practice hospitality to one another (those of the household of faith). [Be hospitable, be a lover of strangers, with brotherly affection for the unknown guests, the foreigners, the poor, and all others who come your way who are of Christ's body.] And [in each instance] do it ungrudgingly (cordially and graciously, without complaining but as representing Him)."

If you don't walk in love, you flunk the course!
—Gloria Copeland

C. 1 Timothy 6:19—Building a Foundation for the Future

1. By following these instructions, the rich will be "laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life."
2. *Laying up in store* (GK)
    a. To store up a treasury
    b. To deposit in abundance for future use
3. *A good foundation*
    a. (GK) Something put down to build upon
    b. Example: The foundation of a building, a wall or a city
4. That they may lay hold on eternal life
    a. Not just for heaven
    b. Eternal life is also the quality of life here and now.
5. Matthew 6:20-21 (NIV-84): "But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

D. Psalm 112—Profile of a Prosperous Believer

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We Are "The Untouchables"

Day #201

"There is a place in God where Satan cannot come. It's a place of faith!"
—Smith Wigglesworth/Gloria Copeland

A. 3 John 2—Prosperity Covers the Entire Spectrum of Life

1. To prosper is to succeed at everything we do.
2. AMPC: "Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in every way and [that your body] may keep well, even as [I know] your soul keeps well and prospers."
3. Prosperity is more than money.
   a. Prosperity covers the entire spectrum of life.
   b. Spirit, soul, body, financially, socially and politically.
4. *Prosperity* (HEB) = *SHALOM*–Safe and secure
   a. Divine protection
   b. Fear free
5. 1 John 5:18: "We know that whosoever is born of God sinneth not; but he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one toucheth him not."

B. Psalm 91—Get in "The Zone"

1. "We are witnesses to the things no other generation before us has seen. Past generations have seen terrible things like disasters and famines of gigantic proportions. The difference is, we are seeing and experiencing them one right after another, all over the earth. We need to get in 'The Zone.'" –Kenneth Copeland, Partner Letter, May 2011
2. "The Zone" is "The secret place of the Most High."
3. Psalm 91:4 (HEB) = The Circle of Protection
   a. In Christ, we do not live under the dominion of the curse or its collateral damage.
   b. We have a "Covenant of Protection" with God.
4. Because of that covenant, we are "The Untouchables."
5. Proverbs 19:23 (NIV): "The fear of the Lord leads to life; then one rests content, untouched by trouble."

C. Everything Is Going to Be ALL RIGHT in the Household of Faith

Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland at the Southwest Believers' Convention, August 6, 2010

The world is in serious trouble. But for the household of faith and those that will cling to My

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Word and listen very carefully...everything is going to be ALL RIGHT.

The world, I'll tell you again, is in serious trouble. Some very hard things are coming, in different places around the world. Very difficult times in many places. They're that way now, but they won't get better. They will continue to get worse and worse. It is on a downhill run that the world cannot stop.

But, for the household of faith, everything is going to be all right.

...You'll have to make a stand. You'll have to fight the good fight of faith. But, when did you not have to do that?

These are dangerous times. These are dangerous times financially....

- Fight the good fight of faith.
- Stand on My Word and it will not come near you.
- Don't feed fear and trouble into your life and into your mouth.
- Quit living in that house.
- Get back over here in the household of faith.
- Feed on My Word, not on the bread of sorrow.
- Praise and worship My Name.
- Look in My face.
- Preach The WORD.

Everything is going to be ALL RIGHT!

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The Wall of Redemption

Day #202

A. Psalm 103:1-5—He Redeems Our Lives From Destruction

1. Psalm 103:4 (CEV): "[He] protects us from death."
2. Galatians 3:13-14: "Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree: That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith."
3. *Redeemed* (GK) = Purchased, ransomed, paid for, rescued, protected
4. 1 Corinthians 6:20 (NLT): "God bought you with a high price."
5. 1 Peter 1:18-19 (NKJV): "Knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things... but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot."

B. Exodus 8—The Wall of Redemption

1. Exodus 8:23: "I will put a division [HEB = a redemption] between my people and thy people."
2. Exodus 9:4-6: "And the Lord shall sever between the cattle of Israel and the cattle of Egypt: and there shall nothing die of all that is the children's of Israel."
3. Exodus 9:26: "Only in the land of Goshen, where the children of Israel were, was there no hail."
4. Exodus 10:23: "But all the children of Israel had light in their dwellings."
5. Exodus 12:13: "And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye are: and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt."

C. Colossians 1:12-14—In Whom We Have Redemption

1. Verse 13 (NIV): "For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves."
2. Psalm 91:7-8: "A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee. Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked."
3. From "Build Yourself an Ark" by Gloria Copeland

   It's important for you to understand that because in the days to come, you're going to see a great deal of trouble in the world around you. The reason is, there are two groups of people on the earth. There are the people of God and there are the people who still live in the devil's kingdom of darkness.

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The people who live in darkness have no covenant with God. Because God has given the gift of salvation to the world, they constantly have the option to accept Jesus as Savior and change groups. But until they do, they can't enjoy the benefits that God's people have.

The Word of God tells us that these two groups, even though they may live side by side on the earth, are going to experience very different kinds of lives. We can see that in Isaiah 3 where the Lord tells Isaiah to "Say...to the righteous, that it shall be well with him…. Woe unto the wicked! It shall be ill with him" (verses 10-11). Take two groups of people living in the same space, in the same earth, in the same city, even in the same family, and one can live well and the other can live in woe. One can live in security and the other in constant peril.

God has proven again and again throughout the Bible that He can pluck His people right out of the middle of the most terrible circumstances. Look at Noah! The whole world went down around Noah. The whole world bought the farm—everyone! Except the eight people in Noah's family.

So don't be confused when you hear words of doom and destruction around you. Those words aren't meant for you. They are not meant for the Church of God. The Church is not going to undergo the wrath of God. We've already been delivered. We've already been set free. We've been made the righteousness of God. It is sin and unrighteousness and disobedience that brings the wrath of God upon the earth just like it did in Noah's day.

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Our Covenant of Protection (Part 1)

Day #203

Foundation Scripture: "He hath remembered His covenant forever, the word which He commanded to a thousand generations" (Psalm 105:8).

Covenant—An unbreakable agreement between two parties that have joined together as one to support, provide, protect and defend each other.

"'One with God' equals covenant."
—Gloria Copeland

1. Our Covenant of Protection (Old Testament)

1. Psalm 91:1: "He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty."
2. Psalm 125:2 (NLT-96): "Just as the mountains surround and protect Jerusalem, so the Lord surrounds and protects his people, both now and forever."
3. Proverbs 1:33 (NIV): "But whoever listens to me will live in safety and be at ease, without fear of harm."
    a. AMPC: "But whoso hearkens to me [Wisdom] shall dwell securely and in confident trust and shall be quiet, without fear or dread of evil."
4. Proverbs 12:21 (NLT): "No harm comes to the godly, but the wicked have their fill of trouble."
5. AMP: "No [actual] evil, misfortune, or calamity shall come upon the righteous, but the wicked shall be filled with evil, misfortune, and calamity."
6. Proverbs 18:10 (AMP): "The name of the Lord is a strong tower; the [consistently] righteous man [upright and in right standing with God] runs into it and is safe, high [above evil] and strong."
7. Proverbs 19:23 (NIV): "The fear of the Lord leads to life; then one rests content, untouched by trouble."
    a. NLT: "Fear of the Lord leads to life, bringing security and protection from harm."
    b. AMP: "The reverent, worshipful fear of the Lord leads to life, and he who has it rests satisfied; he cannot be visited with [actual] evil."
8. Isaiah 54:17 (AMP): "No weapon that is formed against you shall prosper, and every tongue that shall rise against you in judgment you shall show to be in the wrong. This [peace, righteousness, security, triumph over opposition] is the heritage of the servants of the Lord [those in whom the ideal Servant of the Lord is reproduced]; this is the righteousness or the vindication which they obtain from Me [this is that which I impart to them as their justification], says the Lord."

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C. Psalm 91, *New Living Translation*

Those who live in the shelter of the Most High will find rest in the shadow of the Almighty.

This I declare about the Lord: He alone is my refuge, my place of safety; he is my God, and I trust him.

For he will rescue you from every trap and protect you from deadly disease.

He will cover you with his feathers. He will shelter you with his wings. His faithful promises are your armor and protection.

Do not be afraid of the terrors of the night, nor the arrow that flies in the day.

Do not dread the disease that stalks in darkness, nor the disaster that strikes at midday.

Though a thousand fall at your side, though ten thousand are dying around you, these evils will not touch you.

Just open your eyes, and see how the wicked are punished.

If you make the Lord your refuge, if you make the Most High your shelter, no evil will conquer you; no plague will come near your home.

For he will order his angels to protect you wherever you go.

They will hold you up with their hands so you won't even hurt your foot on a stone.

You will trample upon lions and cobras; you will crush fierce lions and serpents under your feet!

The Lord says, "I will rescue those who love me. I will protect those who trust in my name.

When they call on me, I will answer; I will be with them in trouble. I will rescue and honor them.

I will reward them with a long life and give them my salvation."

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Our Covenant of Protection (Part 2)

Day #204

Foundation Scripture: "He hath remembered His covenant forever, the word which He commanded to a thousand generations" (Psalm 105:8).

Covenant—An unbreakable agreement between two parties that have joined together as one to support, provide, protect and defend each other.

A. Our Covenant of Protection (New Testament)

1. Matthew 6:13: "And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil."
2. John 10:27-29: "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand. My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand."
3. John 17:15-18: "I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth. As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world."
4. Philippians 1:28 (AMP): "And do not [for a moment] be frightened or intimidated in anything by your opponents and adversaries, for such [constancy and fearlessness] will be a clear sign (proof and seal) to them of [their impending] destruction, but [a sure token and evidence] of your deliverance and salvation, and that from God."
5. Galatians 1:3-5: "Grace be to you and peace from God the Father, and from our Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father: To whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen."
    a. Verse 4 (AMP): "Who gave (yielded) Himself up [to atone] for our sins [and to save and sanctify us], in order to rescue and deliver us from this present wicked age and world order, in accordance with the will and purpose and plan of our God and Father."
6. 2 Peter 1:2-4: "Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord, according as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue: Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust."
    a. *Corruption* (GK) = Destruction

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b. Verse 4 (BBE): "And through this he has given us the hope of great rewards highly to be valued; so that by them we might have our part in God's being, and be made free from the destruction which is in the world through the desires of the flesh."

7. 1 John 5:18: "We know that whosoever is born of God sinneth not; but he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one toucheth him not."
   a. AMP: "We know [absolutely] that anyone born of God does not [deliberately and knowingly] practice committing sin, but the One Who was begotten of God carefully watches over and protects him [Christ's divine presence within him preserves him against the evil], and the wicked one does not lay hold (get a grip) on him or touch [him]."
   b. NIV: "We know that anyone born of God does not continue to sin; the One who was born of God keeps them safe, and the evil one cannot harm them."

"You cannot walk in fear and faith at the same time.
You have to make the choice to walk in faith!"
—Gloria Copeland

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The Four Walls of Protection (Psalm 91)

Day #205

1. **The Word**
   a. Psalm 91:4: "He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler."
   b. HEB = A circle of protection
   c. John 17:17: "Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth."

2. **The Blood**
   a. Psalm 91:10: "There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling."
   b. Exodus 12:13: "And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye are: and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt."
   c. Revelation 12:11: "And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony."

3. **The Angels**
   a. Psalm 91:11-12: "For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone."
   b. Hebrews 1:14: "Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?"
   c. Psalm 34:7 (NIV): "The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him, and he delivers them."

4. **The Name**
   a. Psalm 91:14: "Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name."
   b. Proverbs 18:10: "The name of the Lord is a strong tower: the righteous runneth into it, and is safe."
   c. Philippians 2:9-11: "Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

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Hidden in Plain Sight

Day #206

A. Psalm 91:1—The Secret Place of the Most High

1. AMP: "He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High shall remain stable and fixed under the shadow of the Almighty [Whose power no foe can withstand]."
2. *Secret place* (HEB) = Hidden; hiding place, covering, shelter, protection, secrecy from a slanderous tongue
3. Verse 4 (NLT): "He will cover you with his feathers. He will shelter you with his wings. His faithful promises are your armor and protection."
4. Hebrews 11:23 (NKJV): "By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden three months by his parents, because they saw he was a beautiful child; and they were not afraid of the king's command."
5. Luke 4:28-30 (NIV): "All the people in the synagogue were furious when they heard this. They got up, drove him out of the town, and took him to the brow of the hill on which the town was built, in order to throw him off the cliff. But he walked right through the crowd and went on his way."

"There's not anything or anyone higher than the MOST High!"
—Gloria Copeland

B. Psalm 119:114 (AMP)—You Are My Hiding Place

1. Psalm 17:8-9: "Keep me as the apple of the eye, hide me under the shadow of thy wings, from the wicked that oppress me, from my deadly enemies, who compass me about."
2. Psalm 27:5: "For in the time of trouble he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me; he shall set me up upon a rock."
   a. NLT: "For he will conceal me there when troubles come; he will hide me in his sanctuary. He will place me out of reach on a high rock."
3. Psalm 31:20 (NKJV): "You shall hide them in the secret place of Your presence from the plots of man; You shall keep them secretly in a pavilion from the strife of tongues."
4. Psalm 32:7 (NLT): "For you are my hiding place; you protect me from trouble. You surround me with songs of victory."
5. Proverbs 18:10 (AMP): "The name of the Lord is a strong tower; the [consistently] righteous man [upright and in right standing with God] runs into it and is safe, high [above evil] and strong."

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C. Colossians 3:3 (AMP)—Hidden in Christ

1. "For [as far as this world is concerned] you have died, and your [new, real] life is hidden with Christ in God."
2. *Hid* (GK) = To conceal by covering, keep secret
3. MSG: "Your old life is dead. Your new life, which is your real life—even though invisible to spectators—is with Christ in God. He is your life."

"If you're in fear, it's not the secret place.
If you're having trouble with fear,
go back to the same scriptures and get rid of the fear."
—Gloria Copeland

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Build Yourself an Ark

Day #207

A. Genesis 6—Build Yourself an Ark

1. Verse 11 (AMP): "The earth was depraved and putrid in God's sight, and the land was filled with violence (desecration, infringement, outrage, assault, and lust for power)."
2. Verse 14 (NIV): "So make yourself an ark of cypress wood."
3. The Ark did two things for Noah:
    a. It provided his deliverance from the destruction that was yet to come.
    b. It kept his family safe when the whole world was perishing.
4. We must individually build an ark for ourselves and our families.
    a. We don't use cypress wood.
    b. We build ourselves an ark with God's Word.
5. You can live safe and secure in your ark of protection, in spite of the danger in the world.

B. Psalm 91:1-2—How to Build Your Ark

1. Verse 1: "He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty."
    a. *Abide*—Live, stay, dwell, remain
    b. Permanent residence
        i. It is not a temporary hotel room.
        ii. It is a place where one lives all the time.
2. Step 1: Abide in the Word.
    a. Dig into the Word of protection.
    b. Build it into your life verse by verse.
    c. Don't wait until trouble hits—do it now.
3. Step 2: Obey the Word.
    a. Make obedience a lifestyle.
    b. James 1:22: "But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only."
    c. Isaiah 1:19: "If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land."
4. Step 3: Declare the Word.
    a. Psalm 91:2: "I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust."
    b. Hebrews 11:3: "Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear."
    c. We frame our world with our words.

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5. 2 Peter 2:4-5 (NLT): "For God did not spare even the angels who sinned. He threw them into hell, in gloomy pits of darkness, where they are being held until the day of judgment. And God did not spare the ancient world—except for Noah and the seven others in his family. Noah warned the world of God's righteous judgment. So God protected Noah when he destroyed the world of ungodly people with a vast flood."

C. From *Your Promise of Protection* by Gloria Copeland

It took Noah many, many years to build his Ark. Think about that! There he was, out in the middle of nowhere, building this big ship. No water in sight. Don't you know his neighbors laughed at him? After all, they had never even seen rain.

"Crazy old Noah!" they must have said. "Crazy old Noah and his boys talk about God delivering them from the Flood that's coming. They don't know what they're talking about!"

You know, people made fun of Noah and his family all those years and the Scriptures say they did not know or understand until the day the Flood came and swept them away. They were in the dark. But when the Flood came, Noah wasn't in the dark—he was in the Ark! He knew exactly what God was going to do and he was prepared.

Today, I'm saying to you the same thing God said to Noah. "There's a flood coming. Build yourself an ark!" Build it with the 91st Psalm. Build it with scriptures about your deliverance. Build it by abiding in Almighty God. Build it by saying with your mouth, "He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; In Him will I trust."

Don't wait until the flood comes and sweeps you away. Start now. Meditate on God's Word of deliverance. Read it. Go over it every day until it is so deeply rooted in your heart that it comes flowing out at the first sign of trouble.

Don't be in the dark. Be in the Ark. Build yourself an ark—today!

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The Protection of Angels

Day #208

A. Psalm 91:11-12—Angelic Protection

1. Verse 11 (NLT): "For he will order his angels to protect you wherever you go. They will hold you up with their hands so you won't even hurt your foot on a stone."
2. Verse 11 (AMP): "For He will give His angels [especial] charge over you to accompany and defend and preserve you in all your ways [of obedience and service]."
3. One of the ways God carries out your deliverance is through angels.
4. Psalm 34:7 (AMP): "The Angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear Him [who revere and worship Him with awe] and each of them He delivers."
    a. Your angels set up camp wherever you are.
    b. When you move, they move.
    c. Wherever you go, they go with you.
5. Hebrews 1:14 (AMP): "Are not the angels all ministering spirits (servants) sent out in the service [of God for the assistance] of those who are to inherit salvation?"
    a. Angels are sent to serve us.
    b. Angels are sent to protect us.

B. Examples of Angels in Action

1. 2 Kings 6—Elisha received inside information about the enemy's plans.
    a. Verse 9—He passed along that information to Israel's king.
    b. Verses 11-12—The enemy king was told that Elisha knew what they were saying in their bedchambers.
    c. Verse 15—The enemy king surrounded the city.
    d. Verse 16—"Fear not: for they that be with us are more than they that be with them."
    e. Verse 17—"Behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha."
2. Daniel 3—The three Hebrew children in the fiery furnace
    a. Verse 17: "If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king."
    b. Verse 23: "And these three men fell down bound into the midst of the burning fiery furnace."
    c. Verse 25: "I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is like the Son of God."
    d. Verse 28: "Then Nebuchadnezzar spake and said, Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meschach and Abednego, who hath sent his angel, and delivered his servants that trusted in him."

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3. Angels released the apostles from prison.
    a. Acts 5:19: "But the angel of the Lord by night opened the prison doors, and brought them forth."
    b. Acts 12:7-8: "And, behold, the angel of the Lord came upon him, and a light shined in the prison: and he smote Peter on the side, and raised him up, saying, Arise up quickly. And his chains fell off from his hands. And the angel said unto him, Gird thyself, and bind on thy sandals. And so he did. And he saith unto him, Cast thy garment about thee, and follow me."

C. Psalm 103:20-21—Put Your Angels to Work

1. NLT: "Praise the Lord, you angels, you mighty ones who carry out his plans, listening for each of his commands. Yes, praise the Lord, you armies of angels who serve him and do his will!"
2. Angels obey the voice of God's Word.
3. They respond to the Word of God.
4. People decommission their angels when their hearts are full of fear and they speak words of unbelief.
    a. They can only stand by and watch.
    b. They don't abandon you.
    c. They just don't have anything to act upon.
5. You release your angels to work on your behalf when you say, "A thousand will fall at one side and 10,000 will fall at my right hand, but it will not come near me!"
    a. That gives them something to work with.
    b. They are released to go into action and protect you.

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No Fear Here!

Day #209

"You must respond to fearful things with words of faith!"
—Gloria Copeland

A. Job 3:25—Fear Opens the Door to Destruction

1. Job 3:25 (NLT): "What I always feared has happened to me. What I dreaded has come true."
2. Fear is the expectation of the worst-case scenario. Brings bad *on* you.
3. Faith is the expectation of the best-case scenario. Puts bad *from* you.
4. Fear is a magnet that draws trouble and destruction.
   a. Proverbs 29:25 (AMP): "The fear of man brings a snare."
   b. Job 3:25 (HEB): "I feared a fear and it came upon me."
5. Faith is a magnet that draws protection and deliverance.
   a. Proverbs 29:25 (NIV): "But whoever trusts in the Lord is kept safe."
   b. 1 Peter 1:5 (NLT): "And through your faith, God is protecting you by his power until you receive this salvation, which is ready to be revealed on the last day for all to see."

B. Psalm 34:1-4—Fear Not!

1. Verse 4 (AMP): "I sought (inquired of) the Lord and required Him [of necessity and on the authority of His Word], and He heard me, and delivered me from all my fears."
2. Adopt a "Zero Tolerance Policy" toward any form of fear.
3. The first thing we are to do in the face of trouble is to "fear not"!
   a. "Fear not" is declared over 110 times.
   b. God is trying to make a point.
   c. "Again I say unto you"...FEAR NOT!
4. Isaiah 41:10 (AMP): "Fear not [there is nothing to fear], for I am with you; do not look around you in terror and be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen and harden you to difficulties, yes, I will help you; yes, I will hold you up and retain you with My [victorious] right hand of rightness and justice."
5. Say, "I refuse to fear!"

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C. 2 Timothy 1:7—Shut the Door on Fear

1. AMP: "For God did not give us a spirit of timidity (of cowardice, of craven and cringing and fawning fear), but [He has given us a spirit] of power and of love and of calm and well-balanced mind and discipline and self-control."
2. When you shut the door on fear you are opening the door of protection.
3. Psalm 27:3 (AMP): "Though a host encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war arise against me, [even then] in this will I be confident."
4. Psalm 112:6-8 (AMP): "He will not be moved forever; the [uncompromisingly] righteous (the upright, in right standing with God) shall be in everlasting remembrance. He shall not be afraid of evil tidings; his heart is firmly fixed, trusting (leaning on and being confident) in the Lord. His heart is established and steady, he will not be afraid while he waits to see his desire established upon his adversaries."
5. James 4:7—Resist the devil (fear) and he will flee!

"There's no way to get out of fear
but to get into faith!"
—Gloria Copeland

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Exercise Your Authority

Day #210

A. Genesis 1:26-28—Man Was Created to Have Authority

1. Verse 26: "Let them have dominion over…."
   a. *Dominion* (HEB) = To rule and reign, prevail over, to govern
   b. AMP: "God said, Let Us make mankind in Our image, after Our likeness, and let them have complete authority over...."
2. Psalm 8:4-8: Man's authority
   a. Verse 6 (AMP): "You made him to have dominion over the works of Your hands; You have put all things under his feet."
   b. CEV: "You let us rule everything your hands have made. And you put all of it under our power."
3. Genesis 1:28: "Replenish the earth, and subdue it."
   a. *Subdue* (HEB) = If it gets out of line, put it back.
   b. AMP: "Subdue it [using all its vast resources…]."
4. Genesis 2:15: "And the Lord God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and keep it."
   a. *Dress* (HEB) = To work it, till it and be a bondman over it
   b. *Keep* (HEB) = Put a hedge of thorns around it in order to guard it, protect it and watch over it
5. We still have authority over any kind of attack of the devil in our lives.

B. Mark 4:35-41—What Jesus Did in the Face of a Storm

1. Verse 37: "And there arose a great storm of wind, and the waves beat into the ship, so that it was now full."
2. Verse 38: "And he was in the hinder part of the ship, asleep on a pillow: and they awake him, and say unto him, Master, carest thou not that we perish?"
3. Verse 39: "And he arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm."
4. Verse 40: "And he said unto them, Why are ye so fearful? how is it that ye have no faith?"
5. Verse 41: "And they feared exceedingly, and said one to another, What manner of man is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"
   a. Jesus was a Genesis 1:26 man.
   b. He subdued the weather.
   c. It got out of line—so He put it back.

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C. Matthew 28:18-19—What Believers Do in the Face of a Storm

1. AMP: "Jesus approached and, breaking the silence, said to them, All authority (all power of rule) in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Go then and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."
2. Testimony from an untouchable, fearless woman of faith—"Lenora heard what she thought was a train. She ordered her children to go to the basement and wait for her. She went outside on her balcony to see what was causing the noise. The roaring she heard was not a train. It was a large tornado. She stayed on the balcony speaking to the tornado until it suddenly changed course. The tornado struck surrounding houses in her cul-de-sac and filled the air with debris. Praise God, her house remained totally untouched."
3. 1 John 5:18: "He that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one toucheth him not."
4. Proverbs 19:23 (NIV): "The fear of the Lord leads to life: Then one rests content, untouched by trouble."
5. In Christ, we are "The Untouchables"!

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A Victory Letter From Kenneth Copeland

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WE DON'T DO BATTLE,
WE DO VICTORY!

Dear Partner,

What a time this is to be alive and part of the greatest fighting force to ever be assembled in the earth: the army of The LORD! The devil has been trying to stop this mighty force every way he can, but all he has and all he does is to no avail. He still has to bow his knee to the Name of JESUS!

When the soldiers in this army find out who they are in Christ Jesus and just how powerful their weapons and armor really are, they will begin to control the forces of darkness. Darkness can never control light!

Let's look at Genesis 1:2-3:

2 And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.
3 And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.

Notice, darkness instantly fled from the light! Now, look at 1 John 1:5: "GOD is LIGHT, and IN HIM is NO darkness AT ALL." And we're IN HIM. Somebody shout, "Amen!" Well, I've done it again. I've preached myself happy!

Not only are we in Him—in the light—we are *children* of the light (1 Thessalonians 5:5), *born* of the light, and we *put on* THE ARMOR of light (Romans 13:12). And, we're commanded to *walk* in the light as He is in the light!

We're not talking about light that can be seen in the natural world. We're talking about light energy—the forces of THE KINGDOM of GOD! Those mighty spiritual powers are imparted into the born-again human spirit the moment one accepts Jesus as LORD!

Let's remind ourselves of 2 Corinthians 10:3-4:

3 For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh:
4 (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds).

Satan's weapons are carnal. He has no power at all except what he can derive from someone yielding to the flesh—especially in violation of the commandment of love! Remember, perfected love casts out fear. When the commandment of love is violated, the spirit of fear is present. He comes immediately to steal The WORD of God. That's all he has. He can't do that once you or I repent. The moment we act on 1 John 1:9, and get back into verse 7, he's finished!

7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.

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The devil's always used terror tactics to control people. His only weapon, ever, has been the fear of death. All fear is the fear of death, and Jesus totally defeated him *and* the fear of death!

Let's look at Hebrews 2:14-15:

14 Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil;
15 And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.

Now, let's look at those verses in the *New Living Translation.*

14 Because God's children are human beings—made of flesh and blood—the Son also became flesh and blood. For only as a human being could he die, and only by dying could he break the power of the devil, who had the power of death.
15 Only in this way could he set free all who have lived their lives as slaves to the fear of dying.

Like I said, all fear is the fear of death. Fear connects to the spirit of death the way faith connects to the Spirit of life. Faith activates the law of the Spirit of life, and fear activates the law of sin and death (Romans 8:2). Now it's easy to see what terrorism is all about. The definition of *terrorism* is "the use of violence and threats to intimidate and create a state of fear and submission."

"But, Brother Copeland, this thing has become worldwide."

I know, but our MIGHTY WEAPONS work anytime and anywhere they're put to work. Remember what I said about the soldiers in the army of The LORD finding out who they are in Christ Jesus and the mighty power of their weapons? That's the key. In Christ Jesus, we have inherited total victory!

Let's look at the verses we pray for one another in Isaiah 54:14- 15:

14 In righteousness shalt thou be established: thou shalt be far from oppression; for thou shalt not fear: and from terror; for it shall not come near thee.
15 Behold, they shall surely gather together, but not by me: whosoever shall gather together against thee shall fall for thy sake.

We have been established in righteousness through THE OBEDIENCE OF CHRIST.

Look at Romans 5:19:

19 For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous.

Now look at 2 Corinthians 5:21:

21 [For he who knew no sin was made to be sin] for us, that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

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We have been made THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD IN CHRIST—far from terror! Look at that next phrase: "it shall not come near thee"!

And then Isaiah 54:17:

17 No weapon that is formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee in judgment thou shalt condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of The LORD, and their righteousness is of me, saith The LORD.

This is our blood-covenant heritage: anywhere, anytime, for anyone who will HAVE FAITH IN GOD (Mark 11:22)!

Let's look at another one of our prayer scriptures, Psalm 91, the soldier's psalm. It has been proven over and over in combat by soldiers from King David's day until today.

1 He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.
2 I will say of The LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust.
3 Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence.
4 He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler.
5 Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day;
6 Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday.
7 A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee.
8 Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked.
9 Because thou hast made The LORD, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation;
10 There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.
11 For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.
12 They shall bear thee up in their hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.
13 Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet.
14 Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name.
15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him.
16 With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him my salvation.

Let's read it out loud together. Now, read verses 5 and 7 again. Oh, my brother and sister! That's VICTORY OVER DEATH! And, it belongs to you—but only if you say it! None of it works without verse 2: "I will say of The LORD." So, I say, "Terror can't come near me. I have no fear of it. A thousand shall fall at my side and 10,000 at my right hand, but IT SHALL *NOT* COME NEAR ME!"

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Now, go to Ephesians 6:13-18, and in your next prayer time, literally put on your armor. Put on your helmet of salvation; slip into your mighty breastplate of righteousness; strap on that big weapons belt of truth, and hang the sword of the Spirit on it. Now, put your boots on. *Look* at those boots. They are the preparation of the gospel of peace. Romans 1:16 declares the gospel is THE POWER OF GOD! See yourself walking through enemy territory in the power of God, walking in THE MIGHTY POWER of 2 Corinthians 10:3. Then, take that BIG shield of faith. Strap it on your arm. It's taller than your head and goes down to your boots.

Now you know our mission: teaching this mighty army who they are in Christ Jesus, and teaching them FAITH and how to use it. In this outpouring of THE GLORY, more people are coming to know Jesus as LORD than ever before in the history of this planet. They are new recruits who must be trained to fight the good fight of faith. That's our mission, and together, we *will* get it done!

As you sow your BLESSING seed of faith this month, release your faith for revelation and insight into the vast power we have inherited as soldiers in God's great army. See yourself always the victor, never the victim. Victory is what we do! We don't do battle, we do VICTORY!

BE BLESSED, dear Partner! Gloria and I love you and pray for you every day.

JESUS IS LORD!
Kenneth Copeland

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Step Up Your Faith

Day #211

A. Isaiah 54:2-3—It's Time to Step Up Our Faith

1. Verses 2-3: "Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes; for thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left; and thy seed shall inherit the Gentiles, and make the desolate cities to be inhabited."
2. The Lord has challenged us to come up to the next level of prosperity.
3. We have some big faith projects before us:
   a. KCM—Citation X+, Every Available Voice
   b. EMIC—Move of God, Student Life Center, TV, Daily Healing Services, Equipment, Renovations, 10,000-Seat Facility to a 50,000-Seat Facility
   c. "[David Oyedepo's church in Lagos] is running 200,000 on Sunday morning. They have four services in a building that seats 54,000. I'm going to get me one of them. I'm not just talking. I've got my faith on the line, glory be to God. EMIC is headed toward a 50,000-seat auditorium with a 100,000-member congregation—and we will have it very soon. And one of the reasons why is Philippians 4:19—BUT MY GOD!" —Kenneth Copeland
4. The only limitation is our capacity to believe and receive.
5. There is a way to enlarge our capacity for greater prosperity.
   a. "Any one department at KCM has the faith potential to believe God for the entire year's budget." —Kenneth Copeland
   b. "The supernatural is no longer an option. It is going to be a requirement." —Bill Winston

B. 1 Thessalonians 3:10—Paul's Faith Challenge

1. Verse 10 (AMPC): "[And we] continue to pray especially and with most intense earnestness night and day that we may see you face to face and mend and make good whatever may be imperfect and lacking in your faith."
2. NLT: "Night and day we pray earnestly for you, asking God to let us see you again to fill the gaps in your faith."
3. They were limited in their faith and needed to come up to the next level.
4. Paul knew exactly what to do to break through their limitations.
5. He had a strategic plan to help them enlarge their faith capacity.

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C. 2 Thessalonians 1:3—They Stepped Up Their Faith

1. Verse 3: "We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is meet, because that your faith groweth exceedingly, and the charity of every one of you all toward each other aboundeth."
    a. ESV: "Your faith is growing abundantly."
    b. NIV: "Your faith is growing more and more."
    c. MSG: "Your faith is growing phenomenally."
    d. NLT: "Your faith is flourishing."
2. It only took two months for their faith capacity to go to a new level.
3. It took spiritual training and exercise.
4. Through strategic training, our faith capacity can enlarge.
5. It is time for us to break through the poverty, lack, limited chokehold and move on up to a new level of faith.

D. From *The Laws of Prosperity* by Kenneth Copeland

1. "God has a highly organized system to meet the needs of every facet of your life. The world's system of meeting our needs works exactly opposite from God's system.
2. "God's system is totally adequate."
3. "The world's idea of anything is very limited at best and stands a 99.9 percent chance of being totally wrong. As believers, we must be careful not to limit God in our individual lives to what the world says is so.
4. "He is not limited to your job unless you limit Him to it.
5. "Remember not to limit God to only what you can see and understand with your head. When the entire world is completely destitute, God will still have plenty and can make it abound toward you. As He is, so are we in this world. So don't be afraid to become a cheerful, freehearted giver."

"You just can't God back!"
—Gloria Copeland

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The Spirit of Faith

Day #212

A. Isaiah 54:2-3—It's Time to Step Up Our Faith

1. Verses 2-3: "Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes; for thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left; and thy seed shall inherit the Gentiles, and make the desolate cities to be inhabited."
2. The Lord has blessed us with some big faith projects.
3. The only thing that would limit us would be a lack of faith.
4. Paul challenged the Thessalonians to grow in faith.
    a. They made great progress in just two months.
    b. 2 Thessalonians 1:3 (MSG): "Your faith is growing phenomenally."
5. Through strategic training, we can break through the limits and enlarge our faith capacity for greater prosperity.

B. Numbers 13—The Ten Spies Limited God

1. Verses 1-3—Men were sent to search the land of Canaan.
2. Verses 25-28—It was a good land, BUT…
3. Verses 30-31—Caleb was ready to take the land.
4. Hebrews 3:19—"So we see that they could not enter in because of unbelief."
5. Psalm 78:41—"They turned back and tempted God, and limited the Holy One of Israel."

C. Numbers 14:22-24—Caleb Had a Spirit of Faith

1. Verses 7-11—The "Limiters" wanted to stone him.
2. What set Caleb apart?
    a. Why was it easier for Caleb to see himself taking the land?
    b. Why does it seem easier for one person to believe and receive than another?
3. Verse 24: "But my servant Caleb, because he had another spirit with him, and hath followed me fully, him will I bring into the land whereinto he went; and his seed shall possess it."
    a. He had cultivated a spirit of faith.
    b. He believed God and was ready to possess the land even before he went out to spy the land.
4. 2 Corinthians 4:13: "We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak."

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5. Caleb removed the limits and enlarged his faith capacity to take what God had already promised.
    a. We must remove the limits and enlarge our faith capacity to take what God has already promised.
    b. Tomorrow we will begin to learn how to enlarge our capacity to believe and receive.

"What God has told you to do determines your capacity.
He backs up what He tells you!"
—Gloria Copeland

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Total Immersion (Part 1)

Day #213

A. Isaiah 54:2-3—We Can Enlarge Our Capacity to Receive

1. Verses 2-3: "Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes; for thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left; and thy seed shall inherit the Gentiles, and make the desolate cities to be inhabited."
2. "God loves to communicate His absolute, limitless goodness to all. The only thing that limits Him from imparting His goodness to any human being is that person's capacity to receive." —Billye Brim quoting David Baron
3. We have a greater faith capacity that has remained untouched, underutilized and underdeveloped.
4. Spiritually, there are no limits to what we can do or have.
5. How do we break through the limits and enlarge our faith capacity?

B. Proverbs 4:20-22—The Biblical Principle of Total Immersion

1. Verses 20-22: "My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings. Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart. For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh."
2. With all of our new faith projects, I realized that I needed to step up my faith.
   a. There were some chokeholds that needed to be broken.
   b. There were some limitations that had to be conquered.
3. I began to meditate on what I needed to do to enlarge my capacity to receive all we are standing for.
4. The Lord took me back to the basics that Kenneth and Gloria taught me over the past 40 years concerning the development of my faith.
5. The Lord told me to implement a "total immersion" program that would help me break through limitations and enlarge my capacity to receive.

C. Romans 12:1-3—The Renewing of Your Mind

"For The WORD to produce results in your life, you must give it your attention by spending time studying it and meditating on it.

"'How much attention do I have to give it, Brother Copeland?'

"That depends on the kind of results you want. Ten percent WORD will produce 10 percent results. Fifty percent WORD will give you 50 percent results. One hundred percent WORD

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will give you 100 percent results.

"When I first began learning about faith as a student at Oral Roberts University, I needed major results fast, so I jumped in at the 100 percent level. I used a technique I'd read about that the U.S. government used to train translators during World War II called total immersion. At the beginning of the war, there wasn't time for translators to become fluent at the normal rate. To speed up the process, they were surrounded 100 percent with the language they were learning. Research proved if they didn't hear or speak anything but that language, it literally made new grooves in their brains and they became fluent in six weeks or less.

"While I was thinking about that, The LORD spoke to me. He said, *Son, if you'll do that—if you'll totally immerse yourself in The WORD and give yourself to it for just a period of a week, it will change your entire future. It will change the direction of your life. Your faith will rise to a new level and will never go back.*

"I decided to put it to the test. I got my Bible, a notebook and the few tapes on faith I had by Kenneth E. Hagin and set up a study hall for myself in our little garage. I told Gloria, 'When you call me for a meal, if I'm not there in five minutes, you and the kids go ahead and eat. I'm going to feed on The WORD.'

"I locked myself in there for seven days. The only time I came inside was to eat every once in a while and to go to sleep at night. When I did come in, the only thing Gloria and I talked about was faith and The WORD. We didn't discuss anything else the whole time.

"When I was out there listening to a tape and Kenneth Hagin referred to a scripture, I'd stop the tape and read the whole book that contained the verse. Then, I'd turn the tape player back on and start listening again. By the end of that seven-day period, exactly what The LORD had said came to pass. The WORD became the solid foundation of my life.

"In one week, The WORD changed my thinking. It revolutionized the way I saw things. I still didn't know much, but what I did know was embedded so deeply that you couldn't beat it out of me with a bat. From that time, faith became my way of life. I didn't live by faith just now and then when I found myself in a crunch. I did it every day."

—From *THE BLESSING of The LORD Makes Rich and He Adds No Sorrow With It*
by Kenneth Copeland

"Don't meditate on the need.
Meditate on the Word for things you need to receive!"
—Gloria Copeland

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Total Immersion (Part 2)

Day #214

A. James 1:5-8—Become Single-Minded on the Word

1. How do we remove the limits and enlarge our faith capacity to receive from God?
2. We must apply the biblical principle of total immersion.
3. Verses 5-8: "If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him. But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord. A double minded man is unstable in all his ways."
4. A person who stays single-minded on the Word will enlarge his capacity to receive from the Lord.
5. Numbers 14:24: "But my servant Caleb, because he had another spirit with him, and hath followed me fully, him will I bring into the land whereinto he went; and his seed shall possess it."

B. Joshua 14—Caleb Stayed Single-Minded on the Word for 45 Years

1 Verses 7-8 (NKJV): "I was forty years old when Moses the servant of the Lord sent me from Kadesh Barnea to spy out the land, and I brought back word to him as it was in my heart. Nevertheless my brethren who went up with me made the heart of the people melt, but I wholly followed the Lord my God."
2. Verses 10-11 (NKJV): "And now, behold, the Lord has kept me alive, as He said, these forty-five years, ever since the Lord spoke this word to Moses while Israel wandered in the wilderness; and now, here I am this day, eighty-five years old. As yet I am as strong this day as on the day that Moses sent me; just as my strength was then, so now is my strength for war, both for going out and for coming in."
3. Verse 12 (NKJV): "Now therefore, give me this mountain of which the Lord spoke in that day; for you heard in that day how the Anakim were there, and that the cities were great and fortified. It may be that the Lord will be with me, and I shall be able to drive them out as the Lord said."
4. Verse 14 (NKJV): "Hebron therefore became the inheritance of Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenizzite to this day, because he wholly followed the Lord God of Israel."
5. Galatians 6:9 (AMPC): "And let us not lose heart and grow weary and faint in acting nobly and doing right, for in due time and at the appointed season we shall reap, if we do not loosen and relax our courage and faint."

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C. Proverbs 4:20-21—We Must Stay Single-Minded on the Word

1. Proverbs 4:20-21 (AMPC): "My son, attend to my words; consent and submit to my sayings. Let them not depart from your sight; keep them in the center of your heart."
2. Verses 25-27 (AMPC): "Let your eyes look right on [with fixed purpose], and let your gaze be straight before you. Consider well the path of your feet, and let all your ways be established and ordered aright. Turn not aside to the right hand or to the left; remove your foot from evil."
    a. Verse 27 (MSG): "Ignore all sideshow distractions."
    b. Verse 27 (NLT): "Don't get sidetracked."
3. Proverbs 17:24 (AMPC): "A man of understanding sets skillful and godly Wisdom before his face."
4. Romans 4:19-21 (AMPC): "He did not weaken in faith when he considered the [utter] impotence of his own body, which was as good as dead because he was about a hundred years old, or [when he considered] the barrenness of Sarah's [deadened] womb. No unbelief or distrust made him waver (doubtingly question) concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong and was empowered by faith as he gave praise and glory to God, fully satisfied and assured that God was able and mighty to keep His word and to do what He had promised."
    a. Abraham broke through the limitations by staying focused on the Word from God.
    b. As a result, he became strong in faith.
5. The more focused you are on the Word, the more your capacity to receive will enlarge.

"The Lord will be with you,
as long as you're with Him!"
—Gloria Copeland

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Total Immersion (Part 3)

Day #215

A. Proverbs 4:20-22—The Principle of Total Immersion

1. How do we break through a poverty, lack, limited, chokehold mentality?
2. How do we enlarge our faith capacity to believe for greater results?
3. Verses 20-22: "My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings. Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart. For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh."
4. For the most effective results, it will take becoming totally immersed in God's Word.
5. Total immersion requires undivided focus and attention to God's Word.

B. Joshua 1:1-11—God's Total Immersion Plan for Joshua

1. Joshua was faced with an overwhelming situation.
2. He took Moses' place and was headed for war the next morning.
3. Verse 5—This was God's part.
   a. I will be with you.
   b. I will not fail you nor forsake you.
4. Verses 6-9—This was Joshua's part.
   a. Verse 6—Be strong, courageous and divide the inheritance.
   b. Verse 7—Stay focused!
   c. Verse 8: "This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success."
5. Verse 11—Go in and possess the land the Lord has given you!

C. The Pearsons' "New House/Debt-Freedom Immersion Plan"

1. The Lord led us to sow our house debt free.
   a. The "What next?" pressure set in.
   b. We knew we had to ramp up our faith for the next step (see "How to Develop Your Faith for Debt-Free Living" on page 27).
2. The Lord led us to do three things to break the limits, enlarge our faith capacity and receive a debt-free house.
3. We totally immersed ourselves in scriptures that removed the limits on God (see "How to Develop Your Faith for Debt-Free Living" on page 27).

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   a. Genesis 18:14—Is anything too hard for the Lord? NO!
   b. Numbers 11:23 (AMPC)—Has the Lord's hand, ability and power become short, thwarted and inadequate? NO!
   c. Matthew 19:26—With men, this is impossible. But with God, all things are possible.
4. We totally immersed ourselves in Dr. Leroy Thompson's *Money Cometh* series and Brother Copeland's series, *The Laws of Prosperity.*
   a. We listened to them all the time.
   b. At home, in the car, on the plane—everywhere!
   c. I preached a "debt freedom" series in church.
5. We totally immersed ourselves in God's Word by locating and meditating on 191 scriptures that prove that God supplies (see "21 Ways God Supplies" on next page).
   a. Our spirits were strengthened.
   b. Our faith was growing.
   c. Our minds were renewed.
   d. Our lives were transformed.
   e. Our capacity to believe for more enlarged.
   f. We now live in a beautiful, debt-free home!

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How to Develop Your Faith for Debt-Free Living

A. Brother Copeland asked, "You've heard me preach living debt free for as long as you've been around me. Why then, did you borrow the money to get your new house?

1. "Your faith was not strong enough or big enough to receive a debt-free house.
2. "Your faith level was not up to where you could receive a debt-free house.
3. "You had enough faith developed to give a house, debt free. But your faith was not developed enough at the time to receive a debt-free house. It takes time to develop your faith. You don't just jump off into this kind of thing."
4. How do we strengthen our faith, get it big enough, up enough and developed enough to receive?
5. Mark 9:23-24: "Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth. And straightway the father of the child cried out, and said with tears, Lord, I believe; help thou mine unbelief."
6. 1 John 5:4: "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith."

B. Romans 10:17—I Had to Go Immediately to the Word

1. "You must increase in the revelation and in God's Word in your mouth until it overwhelms what you are presently seeing."
2. God's Word must be at the base and foundation of your commitment—and that commitment to getting out of debt and staying out of debt must grow.
3. September 12, 1998—Began writing "Debt-Free Living—Debt-Free Living."
4. What does God's Word have to say about my debt freedom?
   a. Romans 13:8: "Owe no man any thing, but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law."
      i. Romans 13:8 (AMPC): "Keep out of debt and owe no man anything, except to love one another; for he who loves his neighbor (who practices loving others) has fulfilled the Law (relating to one's fellowmen, meeting all its requirements)."
   b. Proverbs 22:6-7: "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it. The rich ruleth over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender."
   c. Deuteronomy 28:12: "Thou shalt lend to many nations, and thou shalt not borrow."
   d. Deuteronomy 15:6: "For the Lord thy God blesseth thee, as he promised thee:

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and thou shalt lend unto many nations, but thou shalt not borrow; and thou shalt reign over many nations, but they shall not reign over thee."

5. Romans 4:21: "And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform."

C. I Had to Then Enlarge My Inner Perception of the Largeness of God's Ability to Do This in My Life to Break Through My Limitations.

1. "My people call Me King—but they don't see Me as King-sized."
2. I had to locate scriptures that would remove the limitations I had on God and on my believing—the help I needed for my unbelief.
3. Psalm 119:32: "I will run the way of thy commandments, when thou shalt enlarge my heart."
4. Genesis 18:14: "Is anything too hard for the Lord? At the time appointed I will return unto thee, according to the time of life, and Sarah shall have a son."
   a. "Nothing is too hard for my God."
5. Numbers 11:23: "And the Lord said unto Moses, Is the Lord's hand waxed short? thou shalt see now whether my word shall come to pass unto thee or not."
   a. "God, Your hand is not short."
   b. "God, Your Word will come to pass."
6. Psalm 78:41: "Yea, they turned back and tempted God, and limited the Holy One of Israel."
   a. "God, I'm not turning back."
   b. "God, I'm not tempting You."
   c. "God, I'm not going to limit You."
7. Isaiah 59:1: "Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear."
   a. "God, Your hand is not shortened."
8. Matthew 19:26: "But Jesus beheld them, and said unto them, With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible."
   a. "God, my debt freedom is possible with You."
9. Mark 9:23: "Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth."
   a. "God, I believe that my debt freedom is possible with You."
10. Ephesians 3:20 (AMPC): "Now to Him Who, by [in consequence of] the [action of His] power that is at work within us, is able to [carry out His purpose and] do super abundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams]."
    a. "God, You are able to do superabundantly, far over and above all I can ask or think."
    b. "God, You go infinitely beyond my highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes or dreams."

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D. Word From the Lord—Stretch Your Vision for Debt Freedom

"I am demanding you to break out of the religious, restricted, poverty, inferior, mediocre, below standard, cut back, barely get by, small-minded, cheapskate mentality, limited box you have been in concerning what I want to do in you, for you and through you. You have been restrained by three things:

- "Your lack of trust in My Word.
- "Negative events that have piled up over the past years designed by Satan to erode away at your hope and zeal and cause you to give up.
- "Fear of failure, fear of not making it, fear of stepping out in faith.

"It is a new day—a new time—a new hour. I am now commanding you to reach out further with your faith—more than you ever have before. Stretch. Stretch. Stretch forth and see it with your faith. That is the key—the ability to see. Only through the eye of faith will you be able to see the exceeding, super abundant, above all you could ask or think.

"Call for it. Call for what you see with the eye of faith. Exceeding provision beyond comprehension awaits My Body. But, you must come up over your limitations into a realm yet untapped.

"Aim your faith higher.
Call for the harvest.
Raise the standard.
Set a new mark.
Lift up your eyes and look!"

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Feed on the Word

Day #216

A. Isaiah 54:2-3—It's Time to Step Up Our Faith

1. Verses 2-3: "Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes; for thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left; and thy seed shall inherit the Gentiles, and make the desolate cities to be inhabited."
2. The Lord has challenged us to come up to the next level of prosperity.
3. We have big faith projects before us:
   a. KCM—Citation X+, Every Available Voice
   b. EMIC—Move of God, Student Life Center, TV, Daily Healing Services, Equipment, Renovations, 10,000-Seat Facility to a 50,000-Seat Facility
4. We must apply the principle of total immersion in God's Word in order to break through the limitations and enlarge our capacity to receive in a greater way.
5. We must feed on the Word, meditate on the Word, be a doer of the Word, and believe the Word.

B. Romans 10:17 (NKJV)—Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God.

1. Faith for greater prosperity comes by daily feeding on God's Word.
2. God's Word paints the inner image of how He wants us to live and what He wants us to have.
3. Whatever we keep before our eyes and take into our spirit is what we will eventually possess.
4. The more of God's Word we ingest, the more we are able to break through the limitations and step over into a greater capacity to receive all that God desires us to have.
5. Proverbs 8:34-35: "Blessed is the man that heareth me, watching daily at my gates, waiting at the posts of my doors. For whoso findeth me findeth life, and shall obtain favour of the Lord.

C. Acts 14:7-10—The Cripple at Lystra Healed

1. Verses 7-10: "And there they preached the gospel. And there sat a certain man at Lystra, impotent in his feet, being a cripple from his mother's womb, who never had walked: The same heard Paul speak: who stedfastly beholding him, and perceiving that he had faith to be healed, said with a loud voice, Stand upright on thy feet. And he leaped and walked."

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2. The more Word he heard, the more his inner image changed.
3. Limitations were being dissolved as his capacity for faith enlarged.
4. We can get the same results from feeding on the Word of prosperity.
    a. The limited, lack, poverty mentality will dissolve.
    b. The inner image of our prosperity will grow.
    c. Our faith capacity to receive all that God has for us will enlarge exponentially.
5. Ephesians 3:20 (AMPC): "Now to Him Who, by (in consequence of) the [action of His] power that is at work within us, is able to [carry out His purpose and] do superabundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams]."

D. From *The Laws of Prosperity* by Kenneth Copeland

1. "Your faith is in direct relation to the level of the Word in you. Get your Word level up so that you can believe spiritually, mentally, physically, financially and socially. Thus you will be in the position to handle any problem that comes your way according to the Word of God."
2. "The deeper you get into the Word and the more you learn, the more you will expand; the more you expand, the more satan will fight; the more he fights, the bigger your victory; the bigger your victory, the more glory to God; the more glory to God, the more you will expand! It is constant growth!"
3. "The first and most important rule for you to follow in operating in the power of God and living by faith is this: 100 percent committal to the Word of God and its authority in your life. As God told Joshua, the best way to prosper is by meditation in the Word."

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Meditate on the Word

Day #217

A. Romans 10:17 (NKJV)—Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God.

1. How do we break through the limitations of a poverty mentality?
2. How do we come up to the next level of prosperity?
3. How do we enlarge our faith capacity to receive in a much greater way?
   a. We must apply the principle of total immersion in God's Word.
   b. We must become single-minded on the Word.
   c. We must feed on the Word every day.
4. The more Word we hear, the greater our capacity to receive.
5. The same principle applies to meditation in the Word.

B. Joshua 1:6-8 (NKJV)—We Must Meditate the Word.

1. Verses 6-8: "Be strong and of good courage, for to this people you shall divide as an inheritance the land which I swore to their fathers to give them. Only be strong and very courageous, that you may observe to do according to all the law which Moses My servant commanded you; do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may prosper wherever you go. 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."
2. Psalm 1:1-3 (NKJV): "Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly nor stands in the path of sinners, nor sits in the seat of the scornful; but his delight is in the law of the Lord, and in His law he meditates day and night. He shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that brings forth its fruit in its season, whose leaf also shall not wither; and whatever he does shall prosper."
3. *Meditate* (HEB) = Ponder, imagine, think about
   a. It is fixing your mind on the Word.
   b. It is setting your thoughts on the Lord.
   c. It is spending time beholding Him in His Word.
4. Meditating the Word enlarges your capacity for faith.
   a. It builds the image of prosperity in your heart.
   b. It expands your ability to believe and receive.
   c. It allows the Word to take root.
5. Isaiah 26:3: "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: Because he trusteth in thee."

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a. *Perfect peace* (HEB) = Shalom, Shalom—Prosperity, prosperity; completeness, soundness, health, contentment, nothing missing and nothing broken.
b. Isaiah 26:3 (AMPC): "You will guard him and keep him in perfect and constant peace whose mind [both its inclination and its character] is stayed on You, because he commits himself to You, leans on You, and hopes confidently in You."

C. From *The Laws of Prosperity* by Kenneth Copeland

1. "Remember, the basic, fundamental law for establishing your heart in the covenant of God is meditation on the Word.
2. "You must commit yourself to the fact that God's Word works.
3. *"Meditation is fixing your mind on the Word.*
4. "Here are seven steps to help you learn how to meditate God's Word:
   a. "Apply the Word to you personally.
   b. "Allow the Holy Spirit to make God's Word a reality in your heart.
   c. "Carefully ponder how this Word applies to your life.
   d. "Dwell on how this Word from the Lord changes your situation.
   e. "Place yourself in agreement with what God's Word says about you.
   f. "See yourself as God sees you.
   g. "Begin to realize the integrity of God's Word."
5. Ephesians 3:20 (AMPC): "Now to Him Who, by (in consequence of) the [action of His] power that is at work within us, is able to [carry out His purpose and] do superabundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams]."

"Start right where you are!"
—Gloria Copeland

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Act on the Word

Day #218

A. Isaiah 54:2-3—It's Time to Step Up Our Faith

1. Verses 2-3: "Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes; for thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left; and thy seed shall inherit the Gentiles, and make the desolate cities to be inhabited."
2. The Lord has challenged us to come up to the next level of prosperity.
3. How do we break through the limitations and enlarge our faith?
   a. We must apply the principle of total immersion.
   b. We must become single-minded on the Word.
   c. We must feed on the Word.
   d. We must meditate on the Word.
   e. We must act on the Word.
4. Joshua 1:8 (AMPC): "This Book of the Law shall not depart out of your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, that you may observe and do according to all that is written in it. For then you shall make your way prosperous, and then you shall deal wisely and have good success."
5. James 1:22: "But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves."
   a. NIV: "Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says."
   b. MSG: "Don't fool yourself into thinking that you are a listener when you are anything but, letting the Word go in one ear and out the other. Act on what you hear!"

"You're always enlarging your capacity for something,
but what you're saying determines what that capacity is for."
—Gloria Copeland

B. "God's Great Storehouse"—Word From the Lord Through Kenneth Copeland, Nov. 10, 2011

1. "…I have a great storehouse. Much more has been stored up in the storehouse of riches beyond your wildest dream that I laid up for you before the foundation of the world.
2. "Much more is stored up there than what the Church has ever called for.
3. "I never have held back on the Church, saith The LORD God of plenty. I've made it available to you. I put it in My WORD. I gave you a promise and stood behind it with the blood—the precious blood of your Savior.

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4. "But there has been a backwardness in My people about laying hold of the things that I have provided for you.
5. "But I will say this: There is a people in the land. There is a people around the world. There is a people strong and mighty, growing much stronger and much mightier and more bold to lay hold and put their claim of faith on the things that I have laid up for you. And it thrills Me, saith The LORD, because it's been yours all the time."

C. Joshua 18:1-3—Take It All!

1. Verses 1-3: "And the whole congregation of the children of Israel assembled together at Shiloh, and set up the tabernacle of the congregation there. And the land was subdued before them. And there remained among the children of Israel seven tribes, which had not yet received their inheritance. And Joshua said unto the children of Israel, How long are ye slack to go to possess the land, which the Lord God of your fathers hath given you?"
    a. Verse 3 (NLT): "How long are you going to wait before taking possession of the remaining land the Lord, the God of your ancestors, has given to you?"
    b. MSG: "How long are you going to sit around on your hands, putting off taking possession of the land that God, the God of your ancestors, has given you?"
2. How long are you going to put off taking the next level of prosperity?
3. Deuteronomy 1:8: "Behold, I have set the land before you: go in and possess the land."
4. We must break through the limited, lack mentality and press through to enlarge our faith capacity to take everything that is ours in Christ.
5. Mark 11:24: "What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them."
    a. *Receive* (GK) = Take it.
    b. Seize with a grip that can't be shaken off.

"I am more bold to lay hold!"
—Gloria Copeland

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Believe the Word

Day #219

A. Isaiah 54:2-3—It's Time to Step Up Our Faith

1. Verses 2-3: "Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes; for thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left; and thy seed shall inherit the Gentiles, and make the desolate cities to be inhabited."
2. The Lord has challenged us to come up to the next level of faith to believe Him for a greater manifestation of prosperity.
3. "God operates by faith. You are not going to come up to a new level of faith believing what you believed on the old level. You are going to have to stretch your faith so that you can come up into that place." —Gloria Copeland
4. How do we break through the limitations and enlarge our faith?
    a. We must apply the principle of total immersion.
    b. We must become single-minded on the Word.
    c. We must feed on the Word.
    d. We must meditate on the Word.
    e. We must act on the Word.
    f. We must believe the Word.
5. Deuteronomy 30:9 (AMPC): "And the Lord your God will make you abundantly prosperous in every work of your hand, in the fruit of your body, of your cattle, of your land, for good; for the Lord will again delight in prospering you, as He took delight in your fathers."
    a. "Don't be asking me to live sparingly when the Bible says, 'The Lord your God will make you abundantly prosperous.' Don't expect me to drive an old, wornout car, fly an old, worn-out airplane or live in an old, worn-out house. I don't serve an old, worn-out God. He said He would make us abundantly prosperous. That means more than just prosperous. That means abundantly prosperous. Deuteronomy 28 says your storehouses will be blessed. 'Storehouses' is over and above what you need. That's abundance!" —Gloria Copeland from *Faith School*
    b. Say out loud, "I believe I receive that word!"

B. Hebrews 10:38-39—We Are Believers

1. Verses 38-39: "Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him. But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul."

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2. Romans 4:17-25: "(As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations,) before him whom he believed, even God, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those things which be not as though they were. Who against hope believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations, according to that which was spoken, So shall thy seed be. And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sara's womb: He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God; and being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform. And therefore it was imputed to him for righteousness. Now it was not written for his sake alone, that it was imputed to him; but for us also, to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe on him that raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead; who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification."
3. 2 Corinthians 4:13: "We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak."

C. Mark 11:22-24—We Have the God Kind of Faith

1. Verse 22: "Have faith in God."
2. We have been given the God kind of faith.
3. We have the right to use the God kind of faith.
4. A revelation of the God kind of faith will remove all limitations and enlarge our capacity to believe and receive superabundance.
5. "You need to go around saying, 'I have the God kind of faith.' Let that be a revelation to you. This kind of faith is not world faith. It is the God kind of faith. The very faith that God Himself has, He put on the inside of me! It's for me! It's for me! I have the God kind of faith. That should rise up in you the moment that problems and trouble come your way.

   "You could just meditate on the phrase, 'I've got the God kind of faith.' I HAVE THE GOD KIND OF FAITH! I—me—Gloria—I have the God kind of faith. I've got it! I don't have to let the devil run over me. I don't have to let defeat take me over. I have the God kind of faith. There has been given to me the measure of the God kind of faith. All things are possible to him that believes. All things are possible to God. But, also, all things are possible to the one who believes God. That's me. I have the God kind of faith. The same faith that created this world was put into my heart when I was born again.

   "Now, I have to grow in faith. I have to be nourished in faith. I have to do what the Bible plainly tells me, to increase my faith if I want to operate in the God kind of faith. But there is no question about it. I have the God kind of faith if I am born again. And that makes me feel good to know that I have that world-changing, world-creating, supernatural power that can create a whole earth from words. I have that in me." —Gloria Copeland, *Faith School*

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A New Realm of Superprosperity

Day #220

A. Word from the Lord to Pastor George, Saturday, April 25, 2015

1. Yesterday, Saturday, April 25, 2015, we were given an assignment by God through Brother Copeland to release our faith for the second Citation X. We believe we have that aircraft NOW!
2. This morning [Sunday, April 26], I woke up with the Lord speaking to me about a new level of giving and receiving that starts today. It is a new realm of superprosperity, superharvest and superabundance.
3. He said, "As the congregation gives their tithes and sows seed today, they are to believe for a new, supernatural, over and above degree of harvest and abundant return than they ever have believed before.
4. "They are to believe for the glory realm of superprosperity, superharvest and superabundance. This is a miraculous harvest of unprecedented return.
5. "They are to believe for this superharvest to come immediately—now!"

B. God Gave Me These Phrases

1. Provision at the speed of the Glory
2. Supernatural acceleration of abundance and harvest
3. Financial miracles are part of the Glory.
4. Take the limits off.
5. Supernatural debt cancellation
6. Provisional miracles
7. Wealth transfer—right now—immediately

C. God Gave Me These Scriptures

1. Leviticus 26:10 (NLT-95): "You will have such a surplus of crops that you will need to get rid of the leftovers from the previous year to make room for each new harvest."
   a. NIV: "You will still be eating last year's harvest when you will have to move it out to make room for the new."
   b. WE ARE HERE NOW!
2. Amos 9:13 (NLT): "'The time will come,' says the Lord, 'when the grain and grapes will grow faster than they can be harvested.'"
   a. The sower is overtaking the reaper.
   b. WE ARE HERE NOW!

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3. Ephesians 3:20 (AMPC): "Now to Him Who, by (in consequence of) the [action of His] power that is at work within us, is able to [carry out His purpose and] do superabundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams]."
    a. WE ARE HERE NOW!
4. "Tell them, that whatever they need, to release their faith for the full amount, with much left over."
5. "Tell them to believe for it to come immediately—RIGHT NOW!"

D. 2 Chronicles 9:13-28 (NLT)—Solomon's Wealth

E. We Release Our Faith

Father, as we tithe and sow today, we release our faith for a new realm of unprecedented, superprosperity. We call in our superharvest and believe we receive a superabundant supply. Too much. Over and above. In extraordinary amounts.

1. We believe we receive this now, immediately, in Jesus' Name.
2. We believe we receive our Citation X+ right now.
3. We believe we receive this ministry on every available voice right now.
4. We believe we receive our houses right now.
5. We believe we receive our cars right now.
6. We claim the hundredfold return right now.
7. We tap into the reservoirs of the wealth of the wicked that is laid up for the just right now.
8. We claim the greatest wealth transfer ever seen right now.
9. Satan, take your hands off of our harvest right now.
10. Angels, go get our harvest and bring it to us right now.
11. We have broken through the limitation barrier.
12. Our capacity for a new realm of superprosperity is enlarging every day.
13. Superprosperity
14. Superabundance
15. Superharvest right now, in Jesus' Name!

"The only limit to THE BLESSING is what you're willing to receive!"
—Gloria Copeland

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God Is My Source

Our Source of Supply

Day #221

A. 1 Corinthians 8:6—God Is Our Source

1. So many people are facing overwhelming financial challenges.
2. They look at their paycheck, then look at their needs and wonder, *How are we going to pay for this? Where will the money come from? What are we going to do?*
3. "Don't look to the government for your supply. Don't look to other people for your supply. No, no, pastors, don't look to your congregation for your supply. Jesus is our Source. THE BLESSING of Abraham is our supply. The Word is our supply."—Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, Nov. 11, 2010
4. AMPC: "Yet for us there is [only] one God, the Father, Who is the Source of all things."
5. The purpose of this study: to renew our minds and become fully persuaded that God is our Source for everything we need.

B. Philippians 4:19—God's Riches in Glory

1. "But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus."
2. BBE: "And my God will give you all you have need of from the wealth of His glory in Christ Jesus."
3. AMPC/GK: "My God will liberally supply, fill to the full, cram, furnish, satisfy, finish and complete all of your needs, employment, requirements, lack and business according to His riches, His money and His possessions in Glory by Christ Jesus."
4. MSG: "You can be sure that God will take care of everything you need."
5. JBP: "My God will supply all that you need from his glorious resources in Christ Jesus."

C. James 1:17—Our Supply From Heaven

1. AMPC: "Every good gift and every perfect (free, large, full) gift is from above; it comes down from the Father of all [that gives] light."
2. JBP: "Every good endowment that we possess and every complete gift that we have received must come from above, from the Father of all lights, with whom there is never the slightest variation or shadow of inconsistency."
3. Deuteronomy 28:12: "The Lord shall open unto thee His good treasure, the heaven...."
    a. BBE—"His storehouse in Heaven...."
    b. CEB—"His own well-stocked storehouse...."
    c. MSG—"God will throw open the doors of his sky vaults...."

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4. "Heaven always has a good economy. That is where we receive from. It doesn't matter what is happening in the earth. We are not receiving it from the earth. We are receiving it from heaven."—Gloria Copeland
5. Psalm 121:2 (NIV): "My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth."

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God Is My Source

The Lord Is Our Provider

Day #222

A. 1 Corinthians 8:6—God Is Our Source

1. We are becoming fully persuaded that God is the Source of everything we need.
2. AMPC: "Yet for us there is [only] one God, the Father, Who is the Source of all things."
3. "Don't look to the government for your supply. Don't look to other people for your supply. No, no, pastors, don't look to your congregation for your supply. Jesus is our Source. THE BLESSING of Abraham is our supply. The Word is our supply."—Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, Nov. 11, 2010
4. Philippians 4:19 (BBE): "And my God will give you all you have need of from the wealth of his glory in Christ Jesus."
5. James 1:17—Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above; it comes down from the Father of all that gives light.

B. Genesis 22—The Lord Will Provide

1. Verses 7-8: "But where is the lamb for the burnt offering?... My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering."
2. Verse 13: "Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind him a ram caught in a thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son."
   a. "He lifted up his eyes."
   b. By faith, he looked away from the natural into the realm of the supernatural.
   c. He looked to his Provider.
3. Verse 14: "And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovahjireh."
   a. MSG: "Abraham named that place God-Yireh (God-sees-to it)."
   b. AMPC: "So Abraham called the name of that place The Lord Will Provide. And it is said to this day, On the mount of the Lord it will be provided."
4. The act of Abraham's willingness to offer up his only son for God initiated a covenant obligation by God to offer up His only Son for us.
5. Thus, Jesus became the Source of everything we would ever need.

C. Testimony of God's Supernatural Provision

Since he was little, Anthony had been believing God to attend a particular college. As his high school years passed, he became discouraged about the expensive tuition. He started looking

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for less expensive schools. The Lord challenged him to kick his faith into gear and believe for his "dream school." He applied by faith and received a full ride scholarship of over $60,000 per year. He will also receive $40,000 for flights, a computer, books and supplies.

"Don't let the devil steal your dream."
—Gloria Copeland

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God Is My Source

The Goodness of God

Day #223

A. Psalm 31:19—God's Great Goodness

1. NIV-84: "How great is your goodness which you've stored up for those who fear you, which you bestow in the sight of men, on those who take refuge in you."
2. The more we realize how good God is, the easier it will be to see Him as our ultimate Provider and Source.
   a. He is "Jehovah the Good."
   b. God's goodness is His nature.
3. *Great* (HEB) = Abounding, abundant, exceedingly
4. *Goodness* (HEB) = Prosperity, good things, goods, property, supply, provision
   a. Good in the widest sense of the word; good to the furthest extreme
   b. Everything God is, has and desires for us
5. "The abundance which God will bestow upon the righteous is beyond the power of mortal man to describe. The Psalmist can but exclaim: How abundant!"—*Tehillim*

B. Exodus 33:18-19—All God's Goodness

1. NKJV: "And he said, 'Please, show me Your glory.' Then He said, 'I will make all My goodness pass before you, and I will proclaim the name of the Lord before you. I will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion.'"
2. Think about the greatest thing God could do in your life—and His goodness is greater still.
3. Ephesians 3:20 (AMPC): God will do "superabundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams]."
4. Psalm 16:2 (NLT): "Every good thing I have comes from you."
5. Psalm 34:8-10: "O taste and see that the Lord is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him. O fear the Lord, ye his saints: for there is no want to them that fear him. The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing."

C. Goodness of God Scripture

1. Psalm 23:6 (NKJV): "Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

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   a. *Follow* (HEB) = Pursue, chase after
   b. He is pursuing and chasing after us with His goodness, which is His provision and supply.
2. Psalm 65:11 (NKJV): "You crown the year with Your goodness, and Your paths drip with abundance."
3. Psalm 107:8-9 (NKJV): "Oh, that men would give thanks to the Lord for His goodness, and for His wonderful works to the children of men! For He satisfies the longing soul, and fills the hungry soul with goodness."

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THE BLESSING Makes Us Rich

Day #224

A. Proverbs 10:22—THE BLESSING of the Lord, It Makes Rich and He Adds No Sorrow to It.

1. *Rich* (HEB) = Accumulate, grow rich, become wealthy
2. GNT: "It is the Lord's blessing that makes you wealthy."
3. BRENTON: "THE BLESSING of the Lord is on the head of the righteous; it enriches him, and grief of heart shall not be added to it."

B. Genesis 1:27-28—THE BLESSING Conferred on Man

1. AMPC: "So God created man in His own image, in the image and likeness of God He created him; male and female He created them. And God blessed them and said to them, Be fruitful, multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it [using all its vast resources in the service of God and man]; and have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and over every living creature that moves upon the earth."
2. "With those words, God imparted to Adam and Eve—and to all mankind—THE BLESSING.
   a. "He told them who they were: the lords of the earth created by God in His image as rulers and royalty.
   b. "He told them what they were supposed to do: replenish (or fill up) the earth, subdue it and bring it into line with the perfect will of God. "
   c. "He also gave them the power to carry out that assignment." —Kenneth Copeland, "The Garden of Eden in You"
3. "To bless actually means 'to empower.' So the first words Adam ever heard, the first sound that ever struck his eardrums was the sound of God's voice empowering him with the divine, creative ability to reign over the earth and make it a perfect reflection of God's best and highest will." —Kenneth Copeland, "The Garden of Eden in You"

C. God Is the Source of Our Wealth

1. Genesis 14:22-23 (NKJV): "But Abram said to the king of Sodom, 'I have raised my hand to the Lord, God Most High, the Possessor of heaven and earth, that I will take nothing, from a thread to a sandal strap, and that I will not take anything that is yours, lest you should say, "I have made Abram rich."'"
2. Genesis 15:1 (AMPC): "After these things, the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram, I am your Shield, your abundant compensation, and your reward shall be exceedingly great."

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3. Deuteronomy 8:18 (NKJV): "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."
4. 1 Chronicles 29:12 (NKJV): "Both riches and honor come from You."
5. 1 Timothy 6:17 (NKJV): "Command those who are rich in this present age not to be haughty, nor to trust in uncertain riches but in the living God, who gives us richly all things to enjoy."

D. SUGGESTED RESOURCES

Teaching Series by Gloria Copeland and Pastor George Pearsons

Books by Gloria Copeland

CD Teaching Series by Gloria Copeland

Books by Kenneth Copeland

CDs by Kenneth Copeland

DVDs by Kenneth Copeland

Books by Kenneth and Gloria Copeland

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Our Source of Everything

Day #225

A. 1 Chronicles 29—Offerings for the Temple

1. It was in David's heart to build the temple.
2. Verses 3-4— David's offerings
3. Verses 5-8—The leader's offerings
4. Verse 9—The people's offerings
5. David realized the Source of the offerings.
    a. Verse 12 (NLT): "Wealth and honor come from you alone."
    b. Verses 14-15 (NLT): "Everything we have has come from you, and we give you only what you first gave us."

B. God Is the Source of Everything

1. Genesis 9:3 (ESV): "Every moving thing that lives shall be food for you. And as I gave you the green plants, I give you everything."
2. Psalm 34:10 (AMPC): "The young lions lack food and suffer hunger, but they who seek (inquire of and require) the Lord [by right of their need and on the authority of His Word], none of them shall lack any beneficial thing."
3. Psalm 62:15 (MSG): "Everything I hope for comes from him."
4. Matthew 6:33 (NLT): "Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need."
5. Romans 11:36 (AMPC): "All things originate with Him and come from Him."
6. Ephesians 1:3 (NLT): "All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms because we are united with Christ."
7. 2 Peter 1:3 (NIV): "His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness."

C. Psalm 23—He Supplies Everything We Need—And More!

1. Verse 1 (AMPC): "The Lord is my Shepherd [to feed, guide, and shield me], I shall not lack."
2. Verse 5 (NLT): "You prepare a feast for me in the presence of my enemies."
3. Verse 5 (NLT): "You honor me by anointing my head with oil. My cup overflows with blessings."

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4. "I have plans that you have never dreamed of," saith the Lord. "They are beyond your wildest imagination. I did it just for you. Heaven is overloaded with things that I have prepared for your enjoyment, if you will simply come to that place where you just say, 'God, I am so grateful,' and give Me an opportunity."—Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, Aug. 7, 2009
5. Ephesians 3:20 (MSG): "God can do…far more than you could ever imagine or guess or request in your wildest dreams!"

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God Is My Source

THE BLESSING of Abraham

Day #226

A. THE BLESSING of Abraham—Deuteronomy 28:1-14

1. Verse 1: "And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the Lord thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth."
    a. Ephesians 2:6 (AMPC): "And He raised us up together with Him and made us sit down together [giving us joint seating with Him] in the heavenly sphere [by virtue of our being] in Christ Jesus."
    b. MSG: "He picked us up and set us down in highest heaven in company with Jesus, our Messiah."
2. Verse 2: "And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God."
    a. "All these blessings" include everything it will take to empower us to succeed and prosper in everything we do.
    b. MSG: "All these blessings will come down on you."
    c. *Overtake you* (HEB) = take over your life, overwhelm you, engulf you, pile up on you, cover you over and load you up with an excessive amount; avalanche, heap, swamp, overflow, flood
3. Verses 3-6: "Blessed shalt thou be in the city, and blessed shalt thou be in the field. Blessed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy ground, and the fruit of thy cattle, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep. Blessed shall be thy basket and thy store. Blessed shalt thou be when thou comest in, and blessed shalt thou be when thou goest out."
    a. Blessed in the city and field—wherever you are
    b. Blessed in the fruit of your body, ground, cattle, kine, flocks—whatever you do
    c. Blessed in basket and store—whatever you have
    d. Blessed when you come in and go out—wherever you go
4. Verse 7: "The Lord shall cause thine enemies that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy face: they shall come out against thee one way, and flee before thee seven ways."
    a. *Smitten* (HEB) = Sudden, quick, decisive fate with the intent to utterly conquer and destroy
    b. MSG: "God will defeat your enemies who attack you. They'll come at you on one road and run away on seven roads."
    c. The enemies of lack, sickness, failure, worry, confusion, condemnation and fear flee before you.

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5. Verse 8: "The Lord shall command the blessing upon thee in thy storehouses, and in all that thou settest thine hand unto; and he shall bless thee in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee."
    a. NLT: "The Lord will guarantee a blessing on everything you do and will fill your storehouses with grain."
    b. Psalm 128:1-2 (NIV-84): "Blessed are all who fear the Lord, who walk in his ways. You will eat the fruit of your labor; blessings and prosperity will be yours."
6. Verses 9-10: "The Lord shall establish thee an holy people unto himself, as he hath sworn unto thee, if thou shalt keep the commandments of the Lord thy God, and walk in his ways. And all people of the earth shall see that thou art called by the name of the Lord; and they shall be afraid of thee."
    a. *Establish* (HEB) = Raised up to become a powerful people
    b. *Holy* (HEB) = Set apart, consecrated, purified, protected from ruin
    c. Verse 10 (MSG): "All the peoples on Earth will see you living under the Name of God and hold you in respectful awe."
7. Verse 11: "And the Lord shall make thee plenteous in goods, in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground, in the land which the Lord sware unto thy fathers to give thee."
    a. *Plenteous* (HEB) = Abundance, to have more than enough, excess, too much with much left over
    b. AMPC: "And the Lord shall make you have a surplus of prosperity."
    c. MSG: "God will lavish you with good things."
8. Verse 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."
    a. CEV: "The Lord will open the storehouses of the skies."
    b. CEB: "The Lord will open up for you his own well-stocked storehouse."
    c. MSG: "God will throw open the doors of his sky vaults."
9. Verses 13-14: "And the Lord shall make thee the head, and not the tail; and thou shalt be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath; if that thou hearken unto the commandments of the Lord thy God, which I command thee this day, to observe and to do them: And thou shalt not go aside from any of the words which I command thee this day, to the right hand, or to the left, to go after other gods to serve them."
    a. Verse 13 (NIV): "You will always be at the top, never at the bottom."
    b. "You don't need other gods. You have Me. I am the Source of your prosperity. I will supply every need in your life."

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God Is My Source

Our Covenant of Provision

Day #227

A. 2 Chronicles 16:9—"For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show himself strong in the behalf of htem whose heart is perfect toward him."

1. God has a covenant determination and passion to find His covenant people and prosper them beyond their greatest imagination.
2. It is an undying covenant devotion that propels Him to extend Himself to us with everything He is and with everything He has.
3. *Covenant* = An unbreakable agreement between two parties that have joined together as one to support, provide, protect and defend each other
4. *Show Himself strong* (HEB) = Bestow, grant and extend wealth
5. God has extended His wealth to us.

B. Deuteronomy 8:18—God Gives Us the Power to Get Wealth in Order to Establish His Covenant With Us an His Covenant on Earth.

1. NLT-96: "Always remember that it is the Lord your God who gives you the power to become rich, and He does it to fulfill the covenant He made with your ancestors."
2. Verse 19: "Do not forget the Lord your God and walk after other gods, and serve them and worship them."
3. "You don't need other gods when you have Me."
   a. "I will take care of you."
   b. "I will supply you with everything you need according to My riches in glory."
4. Look to God as your Covenant Source.
5. Psalm 111:5 (AMPC): "He has given food and provision to those who reverently and worshipfully fear Him; He will remember His covenant forever and imprint it [on His mind]."

C. Covenant Provision in Psalms

1. Psalm 34:10: "The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing."
2. Psalm 36:8 (AMPC): "They relish and feast on the abundance of Your house; and You cause them to drink of the stream of Your pleasures."
3. Psalm 66:12: "Thou hast caused men to ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water: but thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place."
4. Psalm 68:19: "Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits."

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5. Psalm 84:11: "No good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly."
6. Psalm 85:12 (AMPC): "Yes, the Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase."
7. Psalm 103:2: "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits."
8. Psalm 107:9 (NIV): "He satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things."
9. Psalm 115:12-15: "The Lord hath been mindful of us: he will bless us; he will bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house of Aaron. He will bless them that fear the Lord, both small and great. The Lord shall increase you more and more, you and your children. Ye are blessed of the Lord which made heaven and earth."
10. Psalm 116:12 (AMPC): "What will I give to the Lord [in return] for all His benefits toward me? [How can I repay Him for His precious blessings?]"

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Our Inheritance in Christ

Day #228

A. Galatians 4:4-7—We Are Heirs of God

1. NIV-84: "But when the time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under law, to redeem those under law, that we might receive the full rights of sons. Because you are sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, 'Abba, Father.' So you are no longer a slave, but a son; and since you are a son, God has made you also an heir."
2. *Heir* (GK) = One who receives an inheritance by right of birth
3. We have been born again into the royal family of God.

B. Romans 8:15-17—We Are Joint Heirs With Jesus

1. Verse 17 (AMPC): "And if we are [His] children, then we are [His] heirs also: heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ [sharing His inheritance with Him]."
2. NLT: "Together with Christ we are heirs of God's glory."
3. "When you were born again, Jesus moved in with everything He has." —Gloria Copeland, *Heirs of God*

C. Galatians 4:7—We Are Heirs of Everything

1. NLT-96: "Since you are his child, everything he has belongs to you."
2. MSG: "If you are a child, you're also an heir, with complete access to the inheritance."
3. The inheritance is the full scope of God's provision that encompasses everything we would ever need.
4. Hebrews 1:1-2: "God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things."
5. If we are joint heirs with Jesus and Jesus is heir of all things, that must mean we are heirs of all things as well.

D. Colossians 1:12—We Are Heirs of Everything Now!

1. We don't have to wait until we get to heaven to claim our inheritance.
2. Verse 12 (AMPC): "Who has qualified and made us fit to share the portion which is the inheritance of the saints."
3. Proverbs 8:17-21—Our inheritance includes whatever supply we need.
    a. Verse 21 (NLT): "Those who love me inherit wealth. I will fill their treasuries."

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b. Verses 20-21 (NIV): "I walk in the way of righteousness, along the paths of justice, bestowing a rich inheritance on those who love me and making their treasuries full."

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Seek God First

Day #229

A. Matthew 6:25-32 (NLT)—God Is Your Source, So Don't Worry

1. Verse 25: "That is why I tell you not to worry about everyday life—whether you have enough food and drink, or enough clothes to wear. Isn't life more than food, and your body more than clothing?"
2. Verse 26: "Look at the birds. They don't plant or harvest or store food in barns, for your heavenly Father feeds them. And aren't you far more valuable to him than they are?"
3. Verse 27: "Can all your worries add a single moment to your life?"
4. Verses 28-30: "And why worry about your clothing? Look at the lilies of the field and how they grow. They don't work or make their clothing, yet Solomon in all his glory was not dressed as beautifully as they are. And if God cares so wonderfully for wildflowers that are here today and thrown into the fire tomorrow, he will certainly care for you. Why do you have so little faith?"
5. Verses 31-32: "So don't worry about these things, saying, 'What will we eat? What will we drink? What will we wear?' These things dominate the thoughts of unbelievers, but your heavenly Father already knows all your needs."

B. Matthew 6:33—Seek First the Kingdom

1. NKJV: "But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you."
2. NLT: "Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need."
3. AMP: "But seek (aim at and strive after) first of all His kingdom and His righteousness (His way of doing and being right), and then all these things taken together will be given you besides."
4. Proverbs 21:21 (NIV): "Whoever pursues righteousness and love finds life, prosperity and honor."
5. Psalm 37:4 (NIV): "Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart."

C. "Seek God First" by Gloria Copeland

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

"Whenever Ken and I talk about living by faith, I know there are some people who think, 'Oh,

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that's easy for you. You're preachers. You have it made!' And, in some ways, we do. We have it made because our calling demands that we give God our attention, and giving God your attention always brings success.

"But we haven't always lived that way. In fact, the first time I ever saw Kenneth Copeland he was about as far from a preacher as I figured you could get. He flew planes and sang in nightclubs. As for me, I was a college girl who said she would never marry a preacher and who had never even heard about the new birth.

"Right after we got married, Ken went into a business enterprise that we thought was going to make us rich. So I quit my job and went to work for this new company. Two weeks later it folded.

"We ended up sleeping on a rented rollaway bed that sagged in the middle. We had a wrought-iron coffee table Ken made in high school and a black and white TV. Nothing else. No refrigerator. No stove. I cooked in my coffeepot and an electric skillet and used a cardboard box on the porch to keep our food cold.

"We were flat broke. Unemployed. Deeply in debt. I had nowhere to go. No furniture. No nothing.

"Then one day I picked up the Bible Ken's mother had given him for his birthday. In the front she'd written this verse, 'Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.' I turned and read Matthew 6. It said God cared for the birds. For the first time in my life it got into my heart that God cared where I was and what I was doing. I figured if He cared for birds, He cared for me! I knelt in that bare room and told Jesus that if He could do anything with my life, He could certainly have it. That's all I remember saying.

"I had no idea I'd just been born again. Two weeks later Ken found a new job. We moved to a new furnished apartment and bought a better car. In the midst of it all, something else happened—Ken got born again.

"Don't worry if you don't 'have it made.' We certainly didn't when all this started.

"Just stick with God and let Him make you. He is a good God who is good to all (Psalm 145:9).

"Make a decision in your heart to seek HIM first. Then all the other things will be added."

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God Is My Source

Blessed to Bless

Day #230

A. Genesis 12:2—You Shall Be a Blessing

1. AMP: "And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you [with abundant increase of favors] and make your name famous and distinguished, and you will be a blessing [dispensing good to others]."
2. Abraham's reason for being blessed was to be a blessing.
3. Our motivation for accumulation is distribution.

B. Zechariah 8:13—We Are a Source of THE BLESSING

1. NLT-96: "Among the other nations, Judah and Israel became symbols of a cursed nation. But no longer! Now I will rescue you and make you both a symbol and a source of blessing. So don't be afraid. Be strong, and get on with rebuilding the Temple!"
2. Psalm 37:21 (NIV): "The wicked borrow and do not repay, but the righteous give generously."
3. Psalm 37:25-26 (NIV-84): "I was young and now I am old, yet I have never seen the righteous forsaken or their children begging bread. They are always generous and lend freely; their children will be blessed."
4. Proverbs 11:25 (NIV-84): "A generous man will prosper; he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed."
5. Galatians 6:10 (Knox): "Let us practice generosity to all, while the opportunity is ours; and above all, to those who are of one family with us in the faith."
6. 2 Corinthians 9:6-8 (NLT): "Remember this—a farmer who plants only a few seeds will get a small crop. But the one who plants generously will get a generous crop. You must each decide in your heart how much to give. And don't give reluctantly or in response to pressure. 'For God loves a person who gives cheerfully.' And God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others."
7. 1 Timothy 6:17-18 (NLT): "Teach those who are rich in this world not to be proud and not to trust in their money, which is so unreliable. Their trust should be in God, who richly gives us all we need for our enjoyment. Tell them to use their money to do good. They should be rich in good works and generous to those in need, always being ready to share with others."

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C. Luke 10:30-35—The Good Samaritan Was a Source of Blessing

1. Verse 33—The love of God rose up in him when he saw the man in trouble.
2. Verse 34—He laid down his life for this man.
3. Verse 35 (NLT): "The next day he handed the innkeeper two silver coins, telling him, 'Take care of this man. If his bill runs higher than this, I'll pay you the next time I'm here.'"
4. God was the Samaritan's Source and he became a source to another.
5. 1 John 4:17: "Because as he is, so are we in this world."

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Bulldog Faith

The Birth of Bulldog Faith

Day #231

A. Luke 22:31-32—The Devil's Plan

1. "And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren."
   a. *Sift* (GK) = Separate, break into pieces, shake, shatter and discourage
   b. An inward agitation to try one's faith to the verge of overthrow
2. The devil's plan is to drain, weaken and wear down our faith through continual pressure, disappointments and discouragement.
3. He wants us to back down from using our faith to take a strong stand for what belongs to us.
4. He wants us to live in a constant state of retreat.
5. I was in that condition some years ago.

There is no truth in the devil. When he talks to you, you know it's a lie!
—Gloria Copeland

B. "Get More Aggressive About Your Faith!"

1. Our family had moved four times in 2002.
   a. We sold our house.
   b. We moved to an apartment for a month.
   c. We moved to a rent house for a month.
   d. We evacuated the rent house because of the septic smell.
   e. We moved in with Kenneth and Gloria for eight weeks.
   f. We finally moved to another rent house while the house we bought with cash was being renovated with cash, far from being completed.
2. I was extremely discouraged the night we moved in with Kenneth and Gloria.
3. My attitude and faith had seriously slipped and was spiraling downward.
4. I sat down at the little desk in our room and began to pray.
5. The Lord began to jolt me out of my complacency.
   a. He really let me have it.
   b. I took a little notepad and wrote down what He was saying (pages 8 & 9).
   c. *I want you to get more aggressive about your faith.*

Laid-back faith is slooow. Aggressive faith changes things, people and circumstances.
—Gloria Copeland

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C. God's Halftime Locker Room Talk With Pastor George

George, I'm going to get after you about your sorry attitude. You are letting the devil beat you up out there. Get a hold of yourself and get this straightened out. I want you to answer these questions right now:

- *Are you maintaining or pursuing?*
- *Are you dry docked or launching out into the deep?*
- *Are you holding the fort or taking new ground?*
- *Are you settled into the status quo or reaching up to the next level?*
- *Are you throwing in the towel or going in for the next round?*
- *Are you passive or pressing?*
- *Are you surviving or thriving?*
- *Are you circling the wagons or leading the charge?*
- *Are you behind the eight ball or are you staying ahead of the curve?*
- *Are you protecting what little you have or are you aggressively possessing all that is rightfully yours?*

Well, what is it? Are you going to back down and lose? Or, are you going to get back up on your bulldog faith and win?

- *I want you to get more aggressive about taking what is rightfully yours in Christ.*
- *I want you to aggressively reach out with your faith and take what you need—command it to come. Demand it!*
- *I want you to become more aggressive with your faith.*

Now, put your helmet back on, get back out on the field and...GO! FIGHT! WIN!

D. Hebrews 10:38-39

"Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him. But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul."

E. 1 John 5:4—Our Bulldog Faith Is the Victory That Overcomes the World

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Bulldog Faith

The Nature of Faith

Day #232

A. 1 John 5:4—Faith Is a Spiritual Force

1. *Faith* (GK) = PISTIS
   a. A force that is forward directed and aggressive.
   b. Never passive, retreating or backward
   c. Always reaching to obtain a specific target or goal.
2. AMPC: "This is the victory that conquers the world, even our faith."
3. "Faith is a spiritual power born in the human spirit at the new birth. It is the spiritual substance of all things. It is activated by the mouth and followed with corresponding action. It is fed by The WORD of God when that WORD is acted upon as quickly as you would a word from your doctor, lawyer or best friend." —From Kenneth Copeland to Pastor George, December 2008
4. Hebrews 11:1-3
   a. NKJV: "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. For by it the elders obtained a good testimony. By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible."
   b. Faith is the parent force of all that exists.
   c. We frame our own worlds with words of faith.
5. Mark 11:22-25—Faith removes, receives and releases.
   a. Verse 23—A force that removes
   b. Verse 24—A force that receives
   c. Verse 25—A force that releases

Faith is fed and maintained by the Word of God.
You have to keep gas in the tank.
—Gloria Copeland

B. Bulldog Faith Defined

1. A bulldog is stubbornly aggressive, persistent and determined.
2. It is a breed of remarkable ferocity, courage and tenacity of grip.
   a. Its jaw protrudes and its nose is indented in order for it to bite down on something and keep breathing until that thing is completely theirs.
   b. We bite down on the Word and refuse to let it go.
   c. Bulldog faith does not take no for an answer.

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3. The nature of faith is aggressive, persistent, determined, tenacious, confident, demanding, commanding and focused.
4. The nature of faith won't give up and won't let go until it sees the desired result.
5. Bulldog faith says, "God's Word is mine now. Devil, you can't take it from me. Just be assured—when this is over, I win!"

C. The Aggressive Nature of Faith

1. Hebrews 11:32-34: "And what shall I more say? for the time would fail me to tell of Gedeon, and of Barak, and of Samson, and of Jephthae; of David also, and Samuel, and of the prophets: Who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions. Quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens."
2. Ephesians 6:16: "Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked."
3. 1 Timothy 6:12: "Fight the good fight of faith."

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Bulldog Faith

Agressive Faith

Day #233

A. Hebrews 11:32-34—Bulldog Faith Is Aggressive

1. "I want you to get more aggressive about your faith."
2. 1 Peter 5:6-9, AMP
   a. The devil is looking for weak people to devour.
   b. By faith, we resist, stand strong and he will flee!
3. *Aggressive:*
   a. An all-out effort to win
   b. Boldly and relentlessly assertive
   c. Forward, pushy, militant, forceful
   d. Ready to fight, tough and violent
4. Matthew 11:12
   a. NKJV: "From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and the violent take it by force."
   b. NIV-84: "The kingdom of heaven has been forcefully advancing, and forceful men lay hold of it."
   c. AMPC: "And from the days of John the Baptist until the present time, the kingdom of heaven has endured violent assault, and violent men seize it by force [as a precious prize—a share in the heavenly kingdom is sought with most ardent zeal and intense exertion]."
5. 1 Timothy 6:12: "Fight the good fight of faith."
   a. (GK) Describes fierce combat with an adversary
   b. Faith pushes its way through all resistance.
6. 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."
   a. *Receive* (GK) = To take with much force
   b. Seize with a grip which can't be shaken off

Weak faith isn't going to produce. If you let it go, it's gone.
If you don't let it go, it's still operating.
—Gloria Copeland

B. 1 Samuel 17:41-48—David Was Aggressive

1. Verse 48: "And it came to pass, when the Philistine arose, and came, and drew nigh to meet David, that David hastened, and ran toward the army to meet the Philistine."

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2. *Hastened* (HEB) = Suddenly, he went headlong with great speed.
3. (HEB) So far from fear he was
4. David knew his covenant with God and ran aggressively toward the enemy.
5. "Devil, get out of my way. I will either go past you or I am going to run through you. Either way, I am going to possess everything that rightfully belongs to me in Christ Jesus."
    a. Bulldog faith does not roll over and play dead.
    b. Bulldog faith attacks the problem headlong.
    c. Somebody is goin' down today—and it ain't gonna be me!

C. Hebrews 10:23—Aggressive Faith Is Relentless

1. "Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised)."
2. AMPC: "So let us seize and hold fast and retain without wavering the hope we cherish and confess and our acknowledgement of it, for He Who promised is reliable (sure) and faithful to His word."
3. We must keep constant, relentless faith-pressure on the situation.
    a. Relentless = Unyielding, steady persistence
    b. Attitude
    c. Words
    d. Thoughts
    e. Actions
4. We don't allow the situation to put constant pressure on us; we keep the pressure on the situation.
    a. Keep the faith-pressure on the devil.
    b. Hold his feet to the fire.
    c. James 4:7: "Resist the devil, and he will flee from you."
        i. He will run from you as in stark terror.
        ii. AMPC: "Stand firm against him."
5. It takes aggressive action to get aggressive results.
    a. I will not let go until I see the desired result.
    b. I will keep confessing what is mine.
    c. I will not let up on the spiritual pressure.
    d. I will keep pressing with my entire being.
    e. The resistance won't get to me—I will get to it.
    f. Numbers 13:30 (AMPC): "Caleb quieted the people before Moses, and said, 'Let us go up at once and possess it; we are well able to conquer it.'"

When an attack comes, get it in gear and go into faith mode!

—Gloria Copeland

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Bulldog Faith

Persistent Faith—Part 1

Day #234

A. Luke 18:1-8 (AMPC)—Persistent Faith

1. Verse 1: "Also [Jesus] told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray and not to turn coward (faint, lose heart, and give up)."
    a. Don't let up on your faith.
2. Verse 2: "He said, In a certain city there was a judge who neither reverenced and feared God nor respected or considered man."
3. Verse 3: "And there was a widow in that city who kept coming to him and saying, Protect and defend and give me justice against my adversary."
    a. NLT—She came to him repeatedly.
4. Verse 4: "And for a time he would not; but later he said to himself, Though I have neither reverence or fear for God nor respect or consideration for man."
    a. Don't let time affect your faith.
5. Verse 5: "Yet because this widow continues to bother me, I will defend and protect and avenge her, lest she give me intolerable annoyance and wear me out by her continual coming or at the last she come and rail on me or assault me or strangle me."
    a. NLT: "This woman is driving me crazy. I'm going to see that she gets justice, because she is wearing me out by her constant requests!"
    b. Persistence wears down resistance.
6. Verse 6: "Then the Lord said, Listen to what the unjust judge says!"
7. Verse 7: "And will not [our just] God defend and protect and avenge His elect (His chosen ones), who cry to Him day and night? Will He defer them and delay help on their behalf?"
    a. Crying day and night is declaring the Word.
8. Verse 8: "I tell you, He will defend and protect and avenge them speedily. However, when the Son of Man comes, will He find [persistence in] faith on the earth?"

It's a failure opportunity, or a faith opportunity. It's up to you to choose!
—Gloria Copeland

B. *Persistence* Defined

1. *Persistence* = Firm or obstinate continuance in a course of action in spite of difficulty or opposition
2. Persistence applies nonstop, constant, continual, steady, relentless pressure to a situation.

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3. Persistence does not let go or give up until all resistance is broken and the desired result is attained.

C. The Widow Was Persistent

1. She didn't take no for an answer.
2. She was relentless and insistent.
3. She did not stop until she got what she wanted.
4. She refused to give up.
5. She tenaciously, stubbornly and persistently kept coming and would not quit.

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Bulldog Faith

Persistent Faith—Part 2

Day #235

A. Luke 18:1-8—The Persistent Widow

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C. Examples of Persistence

1. Luke 11:5-8 (AMPC): "And He said to them, Which of you who has a friend will go to him at midnight and will say to him, Friend, lend me three loaves [of bread], for a friend of mine who is on a journey has just come, and I have nothing to put before him; and he from within will answer, Do not disturb me; the door is now closed, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and supply you [with anything]? I tell you, although he will not get up and supply him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his shameless persistence and insistence he will get up and give him as much as he needs."
2. Mark 10:46-52—Bartimaeus persisted until he got his healing.
    a. Verses 47-48 (NLT): "When Bartimaeus heard that Jesus of Nazareth was nearby, he began to shout, 'Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!' 'Be quiet!' many of the people yelled at him. But he only shouted louder, 'Son of David, have mercy on me!'"
    b. Verses 51-52 (NLT): "'What do you want me to do for you?' Jesus asked. 'My rabbi,' the blind man said, 'I want to see!' And Jesus said to him, 'Go, for your faith has healed you.' Instantly the man could see, and he followed Jesus down the road."
    c. He was fed up with being blind.
    d. He got persistent with his faith.
        i. He wouldn't take no for an answer.

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ii. He relentlessly pursued Jesus.
iii. He was not about to shut up until he got what belonged to him.
iv. He refused to quit.

3. They both applied nonstop, constant, continual, steady, relentless pressure on their covenant and on the devil. They did not let go. They did not give up until all resistance was broken and their desired result was attained.

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Bulldog Faith

Determined Faith

Day #236

A. Hebrews 11:32-34—Bulldog Faith Review

1. Some years ago, I was at a point of great discouragement.
2. I was complaining to the Lord.
   a. The Lord said, *I want you to get aggressive about your faith.*
   b. He talked to me about developing a "bulldog faith."
3. Faith is aggressive. It is bold, forward, forceful and tough.
4. Faith is persistent. It applies constant, relentless pressure to a situation until the desired result manifests.
5. We are learning how to develop bulldog faith.

Get on your faith and don't get off!
—Gloria Copeland

B. 1 John 5:4

1. "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith."
   a. Victory in this form is only used once in the Bible.
   b. *Victory* (GK) = NIKE = The very means of your success
   c. Our bulldog faith is the victory that overcomes the world!

C. Mark 2:1-5—Bulldog Faith Is Determined

1. *Determination* = An unwavering resolve; nothing can stand in the way or deter one from achieving the end result.
2. Verses 1-5 (NLT): "When Jesus returned to Capernaum several days later, the news spread quickly that he was back home. Soon the house where he was staying was so packed with visitors that there was no more room, even outside the door. While he was preaching God's word to them, four men arrived carrying a paralyzed man on a mat. They couldn't bring him to Jesus because of the crowd, so they dug a hole through the roof above his head. Then they lowered the man on his mat, right down in front of Jesus. Seeing their faith, Jesus said to the paralyzed man, 'My child, your sins are forgiven.'"
3. Verse 4—The men were so determined, so resolved to get to Jesus, they tore up the roof of the house and lowered the paralytic into the meeting.
4. Verse 5—Jesus saw their "bulldog faith" and the man was totally healed.

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a. He saw the faith of those who lowered him.
b. He saw the faith of the paralytic—no fear!

5. Mark 5:25-34—The woman with the issue of blood had "bulldog faith."
   a. She was determined to get her healing no matter the cost.
   b. Verse 34—Daughter, your "bulldog faith" has made you whole.

If faith is not now, it's not faith! It's the supernatural-natural way to live.
—Gloria Copeland

D. A Psalm of Determination by Pastor George, June 20, 2008

I have made up my mind.
I have made my decision.
I have set my faith.
I am fully persuaded
that I am going to make it.

Nothing is going to stop me.
Nothing is going to hold me back.
Nothing is going to keep me down.
Nothing is going to stand in my way
of the fullness of THE BLESSING.
For I am determined.

You can't talk me out of it.
You can't discourage me from it.
You can't deter me
from all that is mine in Christ.
For I am determined.

Undaunted, unbending,
unflagging, unflinching.
No matter what happens,
I am going to make it.
According to the Word of God,
I am going to make it.
For in Him, I am determined.

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Bulldog Faith

Focused Faith

Day #237

We've got to breathe faith! We know how to breathe,
but if we don't do it, we won't make it.
—Gloria Copeland

A. James 1:2-8—Bulldog Faith Is Focused

1. There is a direct connection between focusing on the Word of God and the operation of effective faith results.
2. Verse 6: "But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering."
   a. *Waver* (GK) = to be at variance with one's self
   b. AMPC: "Only it must be in faith that he asks with no wavering (no hesitating, no doubting). For the one who wavers (hesitates, doubts) is like the billowing surge out at sea that is blown hither and thither and tossed by the wind."
3. Verses 7-8: "For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord. A double minded man is unstable in all his ways."
   a. A single-minded man is stable in all his ways.
   b. *Single-minded* = Focused; to concentrate on, give total and undivided attention to
4. Bulldog faith is laser-beamed focused on the desired result, instead of the dreaded outcome.
5. Focus is the bridge that vision travels on.

B. Proverbs 4:20-27—Bulldog Faith Is Focused on the Word

1. Verse 20 (HEB): Mark well and pay attention to My Words.
2. Verse 21: Let them not depart from your eyes—stay focused!
3. Verse 25 (AMP): "Let your eyes look right on [with fixed purpose], and let your gaze be straight before you."
   a. NLT: "Look straight ahead, and fix your eyes on what lies before you."
4. Verse 26 (AMPC): "Consider well the path of your feet, and let all your ways be established and ordered aright."
   a. TLB: "Watch your step. Stick to the path and be safe."
5. Verse 27: "Turn not to the right hand nor to the left (from the Word of God): remove thy foot from evil."
   a. NLT—"Don't get sidetracked."
   b. NIV-84—"Do not swerve."

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6. The law of receiving: Whatever you major on with your eyes, your ears and your mouth will come upon you.

C. Mark 5—Staying Focused Is a Matter of Life or Death

1. Verse 35 (AMPC): "While He was still speaking, there came some from the ruler's house, who said [to Jairus], Your daughter has died. Why bother and distress the Teacher any further?"
2. Verse 36 (AMPC): "Overhearing but ignoring what they said, Jesus said to the ruler of the synagogue, Do not be seized with alarm and struck with fear; only keep on believing."
   a. In other words, "Stay intensely focused on Me!"
3. Hebrews 12:2: "Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith…."
   a. Verse 3: "For consider Him who endured such hostility from sinners against Himself, lest you become weary and discouraged in your souls."
   b. *For consider him* (GK) = Observe fully
4. Mark 5:40 (AMPC): "And they laughed and jeered at Him. But He put them all out, and, taking the child's father and mother and those who were with Him, He went in where the little girl was lying."
5. The result of focused faith: The girl was raised from the dead.

D. Scriptures About Focus

1. Proverbs 17:24 (NIV): "A discerning man keeps wisdom in view, but a fool's eyes wander to the ends of the earth."
2. Isaiah 14:24 (AMPC): "The Lord of hosts has sworn, saying, Surely, as I have thought and planned, so shall it come to pass, and as I have purposed, so shall it stand."
3. Isaiah 26:3 (AMPC): "You will guard him and keep him in perfect and constant peace whose mind [both its inclination and its character] is stayed on You, because he commits himself to You, leans on You, and hopes confidently in You."
4. Isaiah 50:7 (AMPC): "For the Lord God helps Me; therefore have I not been ashamed or confounded. Therefore have I set My face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame."
5. Philippians 3:13-14 (NLT): "No, dear brothers and sisters, I have not achieved it, but I focus on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead, I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us."

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Bulldog Faith

Fully Persuaded Faith

Day #238

"It's better to have than to have not!"
—Gloria Copeland

A. Romans 4:16-18—Abraham Heartily Agreed With God

1. Verse 18: *According to* (GK) = To heartily agree
2. God was looking for hearty, all-out agreement with what He said.
3. In spite of the impossibility of the situation, Abraham fully agreed with God that he would become the father of many nations.
4. This is how we develop a fully persuaded "bulldog faith."
5. "I heartily agree with everything God has said about me in His Word."
   a. "I heartily agree with God's Word that I am healed."
   b. "I heartily agree with God's Word that I am prosperous."
   c. "I heartily agree with God's Word that I am redeemed."

B. Romans 4:19-20—Abraham Was Focused on God's Word

1. Verse 19—He refused to look at the external circumstances.
2. Verse 20—He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief.
   a. He didn't waver, hesitate or doubt.
   b. He wasn't double-minded.
   c. He was focused and single-minded.
3. WUEST: "In view of the promise of God, he did not vacillate in the sphere of unbelief between two mutually exclusive expectations but was strengthened with respect to his faith, having given Glory to God."
4. JBP: "With undaunted faith he looked at the facts (his age and Sarah's barrenness). Yet, he refused to allow any distrust of a definite pronouncement of God to make him waver."
5. AMPC: "No unbelief or distrust made him waver (doubtingly question) concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong and was empowered by faith as he gave praise and glory to God."

The first report is not the last report!
—Barry Tubbs, KCM Minister

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C. Romans 4:21-25—Abraham Became Fully Persuaded

1. Verse 21: "And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform."
2. Fully persuaded:
    a. Totally assured
    b. Completely confident
    c. Unquestionably certain
3. Fully persuaded faith dares to believe God instead of the natural circumstances.
4. Verse 21 (NLT): "He was fully convinced that God is able to do whatever he promises."
5. Verses 23-24—This wasn't written just for Abraham.
    a. It was written for us.
    b. We can walk in this same strong, fully persuaded, "bulldog faith."

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Bulldog Faith

The Command of Faith

Day #239

Faith has to be fed! It must be fed or it will regress.
—Gloria Copeland

A. Romans 4:16—Bulldog Faith Commands

1. (Literal Greek) Calling the things not being as being
2. RSV: Faith calls into existence the things that do not exist.
3. *Call* (GK) = KALEO—To summon
   a. An order to appear
   b. A legal warning notifying a person to appear in court on a specific date, at a specific time and place
   c. "You are hereby notified to appear."
4. 2 Corinthians 4:6: "For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness…."
   a. *Command* (GK) = KALEO—same as call
   b. God commanded those things out there to come.
   c. We do the very same thing.
5. Bulldog faith commands things desired from out of the spirit realm into the natural realm.

B. Matthew 8:8-10, 18—The Centurion's Great Faith

1. Verse 8—Speak the Word only and my servant will be healed.
   a. *Speak* (GK) = Command
   b. He was telling Jesus to give the order.
   c. "On the authority of Your Word, I don't need to see it."
   d. "Your Word is the only evidence I need."
2. Verse 9—The Centurion understood spiritual authority.
   a. He comprehended the command of faith.
   b. I say, "Go," "Come," and "Do," and they obey.
   c. "I see that Your Word operates on the same principle."
3. Verse 10—Jesus marveled and said He had not seen such great faith.
   a. *Great* (GK) = Enormous faith
   b. MSG: "This man is the vanguard of many outsiders who will soon be coming from all directions."

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4. The greatest faith is faith in God's Word and its authority alone, not demanding any physical proof or evidence.
5. Verse 13: Based on your bulldog faith, your servant is healed now.

C. John 14:13-14—Bulldog Faith Demands

1. NKJV: "And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask anything in My name, I will do it."
2. *Ask* (GK) = Demand as something due, claim what is rightfully yours, to call for and require
3. John 14:13-14 (GK): Whatever you demand, claim, call for and require as your Christian Right, I will personally see to it that it is carried out.
4. Bulldog faith is not afraid to put pressure on the Word by making a faith demand on your covenant and expecting what is already yours.
5. God will always supply as long as there is a demand.

Take it when you pray! Then you can drive it, live in it and spend it.
—Gloria Copeland

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Bulldog Faith

Faith That Takes

Day #240

A. Mark 11:22-24—Bulldog Faith Takes

1. Faith is an aggressive force.
   a. It is always moving forward.
   b. It continually reaches for its goal.
2. Faith is not passive, retreating or backward.
3. Verse 24: "Believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them."
   a. (GK) Take it with much force.
   b. (GK) Seize it with a grip which cannot be shaken off.
4. What God has so wonderfully given us by His grace, we forcefully take with our faith.
5. Bite down on the Word like a bulldog, and don't let go until it is yours.

You might as well get a grip on this—you get what you say.
—Gloria Copeland

B. Joshua 18:1-3—Take the Land

1. How long are you slack to go to possess the land?
2. *Slack* (HEB) = Postpone, put off, waste time; sluggish and lazy
   a. Bulldog faith does not waste time.
   b. Bulldog faith is not lazy.
3. MSG: "How long are you going to sit around on your hands, putting off taking possession of the land that God, the God of your ancestors, has given you?"
   a. It already belonged to them.
   b. All they had to do was take it.
4. Whatever we need already belongs to us now.
   a. Ephesians 1:3 (NIV-84): "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ."
   b. 2 Peter 1:3-4 (NIV-84): "His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises…."
5. Every one of those promises belongs to us now—so claim them by faith!

"When I prayed, did I take it, or did I just talk about it?"
—Gloria Copeland

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C. Claim What Is Yours—NOW!

1. *Possess* (HEB) = To claim
2. *Claim* (Merriam-Webster) = To take as the rightful owner
3. "For all of you who will take My WORD and stand on it," saith The LORD, "the kingdom is for you, the angels are for you, and all of heaven's reserves are at your call." — Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, Oct. 28, 2010.
4. How to claim what you need:
   a. Claim what you need.
   b. Say, "Satan, take your hands off my money."
   c. Say, "Go, ministering spirits, and cause the money to come."
5. My Bulldog Faith Confession:

   Heavenly Father, I thank You for Your Word.
   I give it first place and final authority.
   I am walking in bulldog faith more and more every day.

   The devil will not stop me
   from walking in the fullness of THE BLESSING.

   I refuse to quit.
   I refuse to let go.
   I refuse to give up.

   My faith is aggressive.
   My faith is persistent.
   My faith is determined.
   My faith is focused.
   My faith is fully persuaded.
   What God has promised,
   He is able to perform.

   I take it!
   I possess it!
   I claim it!

   This is the victory that overcomes the world,
   EVEN MY BULLDOG FAITH!

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Bulldog Faith

25 Faith Essentials Every Believer Needs to Know

1. The just shall live by faith. (Hebrews 10:38)
2. We walk by faith and not by sight. (2 Corinthians 5:7)
3. It is impossible to please God without faith. (Hebrews 11:6)
4. Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God. (Romans 10:17)
5. Faith is of the heart and not the head. (Romans 10:10)
6. Faith is both a creative and a destructive force. (Genesis 1:3; Mark 11:23)
7. Faith is released by words. We must speak the Word only. (2 Corinthians 4:13; Matthew 8:5-10)
8. Faith begins where the will of God is known. (1 John 5:14-15)
9. Faith stops at the question mark. (James 1:5-8)
10. Your faith will never rise above the level of your confession. The stronger your confession, the stronger your faith will become. (Proverbs 18:7, 21)
11. Faith focuses on the desired result—not the dreaded outcome. (Isaiah 46:9-10)
12. Every born-again believer has the God kind of faith. (Romans 12:1-3)
13. Every born-again believer has the right to use their faith. (Mark 11:23)
14. Faith must be developed by exercise, use and action. (Hebrews 12:2; James 1:22-25, 2:17)
15. Meditation in the Word builds a capacity for greater faith. (Psalm 1; Joshua 1:8)
16. You can use your faith like a mechanic uses a wrench—on purpose. (Mark 4:35-41)
17. Your faith can grow exceedingly. (2 Thessalonians 1:3)
18. Our faith is the victory that overcomes and conquers the world. (1 John 5:4)
19. Faith works by love. (Galatians 5:6)
20. Faith calls things which be not as though they were. (Romans 4:17)
21. Faith says, "I see it now." If you can see it, you can have it. (Joshua 1:8)
22. Faith says, "I take it now." What God provides by His grace, we lay hold of and take with our faith. (Mark 11:24)
23. Faith says, "I have it now." (2 Peter 1:2-4)
24. The greatest faith is faith in God's Word and its authority alone, not demanding any physical evidence of proof. (Matthew 8:5-13)
25. Faith gives praise and thanksgiving while waiting for the manifestation of the desired result. (Philippians 4:4-7; Psalm 34:1)

Declare Out Loud

"My faith is awake, alive, activated, working, vibrant, strong, stirred up,
growing exceedingly and is producing victorious results.
I release my faith for the overflow in every area of my life."

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You Can Live Debt Free

Day #241

A. "I will show you how to be debt free."

"I Will Bless You Beyond Your Means," word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, July 9, 2007

1. "The manifestation of THE BLESSING is at an all-time high. You are approaching a blessing manifestation of Glory that is an explosion in ways and intensity that the human race has never seen before….
2. "THE BLESSING will encase you and you will learn to walk in the secret place of the Most High God. Blessed in His BLESSING, blessed in His Glory, blessed in your comings, blessed in your goings. Blessed in your pocketbook.
3. "All debt will have to get up and leave you the way leprosy left the lepers of old.
4. "Debt is financial sickness. It is financial leprosy. It is an attempt to do with the natural world's monies and abilities what I created THE BLESSING to do for you. Only, it is a burden and not a blessing. Debt is part of the curse.
5. "If you will begin to confess [the Word], you will be shocked and thrilled at how quickly you will have the Glory arise and drive the debt out of your life.
6. "If you will bring your tithe to Me and spend time with Me, tithing that tithe to Me, I will teach you, and I will train you, and I will show you how to be debt free.
7. "I will bless you beyond your means. I will bless you beyond your income. I will bless you beyond your salaries. I will bless you beyond anything you have ever known before.
8. "I will show you things that you have never heard of before. You will take advantage of those things and be financially blessed. I will bring such a financial blessing upon you that you won't have any idea where it came from.
9. "It has come to an explosive place.
10. "I am ready, saith the Lord, if you will begin to confess it, walk in it and make it a priority in your life. Then, the Glory will manifest in your midst and you will give Me praise. I will come and visit you and together, we will have a grand time.

B. Galatians 3:13-14—We Are Redeemed From the Curse

1. "Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree: That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith."
2. Verse 14—That we might receive by faith everything that the Spirit promised to Abraham—including freedom from debt.

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3. *Redeemed* (GK)
    a. To buy up, ransom, rescue from loss
    b. To liberate by payment of price
    c. To free someone from the power of another
4. We have been redeemed from the curse of poverty, lack and debt.
5. Proverbs 10:22: "THE BLESSING of the Lord, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it."

"We're not just redeemed from the curse,
but we've been given THE BLESSING!"
—Gloria Copeland

C. Deuteronomy 28—THE BLESSING and the Curse

1. Verses 1-14—THE BLESSING of Abraham
2. Verses 15-68—The curse of the law
3. Verses 43-44: "The stranger that is within thee shall get up above thee very high; and thou shalt come down very low. He shall lend to thee, and thou shalt not lend to him: he shall be the head, and thou shalt be the tail."
    a. Debt is part of the curse.
    b. *Lend* (HEB) = Twine; unite with, cleave to, to join oneself to another
    c. *Tail* (HEB) = End, stump, smite the hindmost, cut off, attack the rear, to wag
4. Verses 12-13: "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. And the Lord shall make thee the head, and not the tail; and thou shalt be above only and thou shalt not be beneath."
    a. Debt freedom is part of THE BLESSING.
    b. *Head* (HEB) = Top, summit, chief, ruler
5. "Thou shalt not borrow."
    a. "Borrowing is a replacement covenant. It is going to someone else when you should have gone to God." —Kenneth Copeland, *It's Time to Get Out of Debt!*
    b. So, let's go to God!
    c. Let's learn how to live debt free.

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Reasons Why We Must Live Debt Free—Part 1

Day #242

A. John 8:31-32—The Truth Shall Make You [Debt] Free

1. "If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you [debt] free."
2. The more we know why we should be debt free according to the Word, the easier it will become to believe for debt freedom.
3. Debt is a burden and a weight which God wants removed from our lives.
4. As we prepare to make our quality decision to live debt free, it is important to know what God says about the subject.
5. Let's take a look at scriptural reasons why we must pursue living debt free.

B. Reason #1—Because the Word Tells Us to Owe No Man Anything Except Love

1. Romans 13:8: "Owe no man any thing, but to love one another."
2. In 1967, the Copelands made a commitment to God.
   a. "Lord, whatever we see in Your Word, and we understand what You are telling us in Your Word, we will adopt that into our own lifestyle immediately, whether we like it or not, because Your Word is final authority."
   b. "We will obey whatever Your Word tells us to do."
   c. "We committed ourselves to do whatever we saw in the Word, no matter what it was."
3. Then, Brother Copeland found Romans 13:8.
   a. "Surely God didn't mean that!"
   b. "That scripture must mean something else!"
4. Looking for another interpretation, he read the *Amplified Bible, Classic Edition*:
   a. "Keep out of debt and owe no man anything, except to love one another."
   b. "It looked impossible to do anything without borrowing money."
5. Gloria Copeland's response to Romans 13:8:
   a. "Well, praise God! The Word of God was not written for our disadvantage. It was written for our advantage. It is to our advantage to live debt free."
   b. "You would think that God was putting you in a bind when you commit to living debt free."
   c. "On the contrary. You are allowing Him to stretch you and pull you out into something better than what you had."
   d. "We are taking God's Word literally and whatever we see in it, that is what we will do."
   e. "If you have access to gold streets, you have an excess of goods."

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"God only tells us to do things that lead us to THE BLESSING!"
—Gloria Copeland

C. Reason #2—Because Our Covenant Must Be With God—Not With the World

1. "Borrowing is a replacement covenant. It is going to the world when you should have gone to God." —Kenneth Copeland, *It's Time to Get Out of Debt!*
    a. The world has a system of finance which is complex and very poor in its operation.
    b. It continually rocks back and forth between the two extremes of depression and inflation.
2. We are in covenant with Almighty God through the blood of Jesus Christ—the most powerful form of agreement ever established.
3. 1 Chronicles 16:15: "Be ye mindful always of his covenant; the word which he commanded for a thousand generations."
    a. Philippians 4:19 (AMPC): "And my God will liberally supply (fill to the full) your every need according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus."
    b. Deuteronomy 28:11 (AMPC): "And the Lord shall make you have a surplus of prosperity."
    c. Genesis 15:1: "After these things the word of the Lord came unto Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram: I am thy shield, and thy exceeding great reward."
        i. "I am your rapidly increasing money supply."
4. God has a much better way to supply your needs than to get in covenant with the world. He wants to be our:
    a. Supreme Provider
    b. Abundant Supplier
    c. Total Source of Supply
5. God is saying to us today, "Look to Me and not to the world. They will loan it to you. I will give it to you!!"

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Reasons Why We Must Live Debt Free—Part 2

Day #243

A. Reason #3—Because Borrowing From the World Makes Us Slaves to the Lender

1. Deuteronomy 28:43-44: "The stranger that is within thee shall get up above thee very high; and thou shalt come down very low. He shall lend to thee, and thou shalt not lend to him: and he shalt be the head, and thou shalt be the tail."
   a. *Lend* (HEB) = Twine; unite, cleave, to be joined with
   b. *Head* (HEB) = Top, summit, chief, ruler
   c. *Tail* (HEB) = End, stump; to wag
2. Proverbs 22:7: "The rich ruleth over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender."
   a. *Servant* (HEB) = To work, to enslave, to keep in bondage
   b. The problem with borrowing is that it is controlled by the world's system.
   c. In order to borrow, you must subordinate yourself to another person.
   d. NASB—"…Becomes the lender's slave."
3. 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."
   a. When you borrow and go into debt to someone else, you bow your knee to that person and look to him as your source of supply.
   b. This creates a spiritual problem that is very serious, especially if the other person is ungodly.
4. Deuteronomy 15:6: "For the Lord thy God blesseth thee as He promised thee; and thou shalt lend unto many nations, but thou shalt not borrow; and thou shalt reign over many nations, but they shalt not reign over thee."
5. Living debt free allows you to freely give what you own without having to ask permission from anyone. No one is reigning over you.

"Why would you choose to go to a stranger when your Father owns it all?"
—Gloria Copeland

B. Reason #4—Because We Must Teach Our Children How to Live Debt Free

1. Proverbs 22:6-7: "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it. The rich ruleth over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender."
2. The average Christian child is born into a family whose life exists around credit cards, mortgages and loans.

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a. Most Americans raise their children in homes that have a 30-year mortgage.
b. They drive their children to school in financed cars.
c. They wash their clothes in washing machines that have been financed through department store revolving credit.
d. They sleep on mortgaged beds, sit in mortgaged furniture and watch mortgaged television sets.
e. Most of these children never see their families come out of debt during their lifetime.

3. What we do sets the pace for our children. We "herd" them toward the desired destiny, setting godly boundaries.
4. Instead of teaching them how to trust God as their source, they teach them how to get the very best rate on a loan or how to finance a car.
5. God has a better way, a higher way, a debt-free way for us and our children to live.

C. Reason #5—Because Our Motivation for Debt Freedom Is Giving

1. Genesis 12:2 (AMPC): "I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you [with abundant increase of favors] and make your name famous and distinguished, and you will be a blessing [dispensing good to others]."
2. True prosperity is not for keeping your bills paid and your body well just so you can lie around and watch TV in comfort. God is not prospering us to get us out of debt so we can get into bigger debt. He is not prospering us so we can buy and buy and buy. He is prospering us so we can give and give and give.
3. True prosperity is the ability to look a person in the eye in their moment of impossibility and take their needs on as your own.
4. True prosperity is walking with God to be able and equipped to do for others whatever He needs done, whenever He needs it done and with whatever He needs it done.
5. Our motivation for accumulation and debt freedom is distribution.

"What's the first step of getting out of debt? Quit borrowing money!"
—Gloria Copeland

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Three Debt-Free Issues Which Must Be Settled

Day #244

"What happens when you miss a few payments? You lose the house and get the boot!"
—Gloria Copeland

A. Philippians 4:19—God Is My Source—Not People

1. Settle this issue today—"God is my total Source of supply for my debt freedom."
   a. A source is the point of origin.
   b. The beginning place of a stream or river
   c. Where something can be traced back to
   d. *Supply* is provision, inventory, stock.
2. Our Source of supply is the point of origin for our debt freedom.
3. This answers the question, "Where will it come from?"
4. Philippians 4:19: "My God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus."
   a. BBE: "My God will give you all you have need of from the wealth of his glory in Christ Jesus."
   b. AMPC: "My God will liberally supply (fill to the full) your every need according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus."
5. "My God is the total Source of supply to remove all debt and provide all I need to live debt free."

B. Ephesians 3:20—I Am Not Limited to a Salary

1. It would look impossible to live debt free if a person were to compare their debt load to their salary, pension or social security.
   a. Your job is only one channel for God to use.
   b. Ephesians 4:28: "Let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth."
   c. Your salary should ultimately be used as seed to sow.
2. God has unlimited, supernatural ways to get us out of debt and into living a debt-free lifestyle.
   a. While believing for a new home, I immersed myself in Pastor Leroy Thompson's series *Money Cometh.*
   b. I found 191 scriptures that related to ways God provides. (See next section.)

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3. Ephesians 3:20 (AMPC): "Now to Him Who, by (in consequence of) the [action of His] power that is at work within us, is able to [carry out His purpose and] do superabundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams]."
4. Psalm 68:19 (NKJV): "Blessed be the Lord, who daily loads us with benefits."
5. Isaiah 55:1: "Come…buy…without money and without price."

C. Deuteronomy 28:12—It Is God's Will for Me to Live Debt Free

1. "Thou shalt lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow."
2. That sounds more like a command than a suggestion.
3. Romans 13:8 (AMPC): "Keep out of debt and owe no man anything, except to love one another."
4. Matthew 6:12: "Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors."
   a. *Debts* (GK) = Something owed or legally due, to owe money
5. 1 John 5:14-15: "And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask anything according to his will, he heareth us: And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him."
   a. Great confidence comes from knowing God's will.
   b. Faith begins where the will of God is known.
   c. Faith stops, wavers, hesitates, and is double-minded at the question mark.
   d. It is unquestionably God's will for us to live debt free.
   e. If it is His will, then He will supply.

D. Settle These

1. God is my Source—not people.
2. I am not limited to a salary.
3. It is God's will for me to live debt free.

"What is the solution to being 'plastic dependent' [to credit cards]?
Plastic surgery. Cut up the cards."
—Gloria Copeland

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Make the Quality Decision to Live Debt Free

Day #245

A. James 1:5-8—You Must Make a Quality Decision to Live Debt Free

1. We must thoroughly resolve and settle the debt issue.
   a. We can no longer play with it.
   b. This takes a vigorous and aggressive faith assault.
2. Living debt free will take a quality decision.
   a. A quality decision settles the issue once and for all.
   b. A quality decision is a decision from which there is no retreat, no turning back, no return.
   c. A quality decision is a decision where argument and debate no longer exist.
   d. A quality decision becomes a memorial to look back at when you are challenged to compromise your stand.
3. A quality decision opens the door to the reality of what you are desiring and believing for.
4. You are only one decision away from debt freedom.
5. The moment you make the quality decision to live debt free, God sees you debt free.
   a. That decision will activate your faith and will lead you out of debt.
   b. A firm, quality decision will stand the test of time.

B. Quality Decisions by the Copelands That Have Stood the Test of Time Since 1967

1. Never ask anyone for a place to preach.
2. Don't ever ask anyone for money.
3. Never preach for anyone based on a financial arrangement.
4. If faith won't get it, we won't have it.
5. Whatever we see in Your Word, and we understand what You are telling us in Your Word, we will adopt that into our own lifestyle immediately, whether we like or not, because Your Word is final authority.
6. Our children are not going to hell.
7. Don't borrow money.

C. Make Your Quality Decision to Live Debt Free

1. Say, "By faith in Jesus' Name, we make the quality decision to live debt free."
2. Say, "We are getting out of debt, staying out of debt and will live in God's abundant overflow."
3. Say, "As of (date and time), we declare that we are debt free!"

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4. Say, "I AM DEBT FREE NOW IN JESUS' NAME! MY DAYS OF DEBT ARE OVER FOREVER!!"
5. Hebrews 1:3—All of heaven backs your decision.
    a. God upholds (backs) all things (your quality decision to live debt free) by the power of His Word.
    b. Because you have aligned yourself to His Word, all of heaven's reserves are at your disposal.
    c. Now, as you set your face like flint according to Isaiah 50:7-9, the Lord will help you get out of debt.

"What happens if you don't have to borrow?
You don't have to pay it back."
—Gloria Copeland

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How Kenneth and Gloria Became Debt Free

Day #246

"It is your great year of debt freedom!"
—Pastor George Pearsons

A. Matthew 6:33—Seek First the Kingdom of God

1. "Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."
2. AMPC: "But seek (aim at and strive after) first of all His kingdom and His righteousness (His way of doing and being right), and then all these things taken together will be given you besides."
3. Kenneth and Gloria Copeland committed themselves to seek the Kingdom by:
   a. Giving God's Word first place
   b. Making God's Word final authority
   c. Committing to obey whatever they saw in the Word.
4. Financial times were hard and they were in debt.
5. And then they saw Romans 13:8.

B. Romans 13:8—"Owe no man any thing but to love one another."

1. AMPC: "Keep out of debt and owe no man anything, except to love one another."
   a. It looked impossible to do, but they did it.
   b. They made a quality decision to live debt free.
2. You are only one decision away from debt freedom.
3. A quality decision forever settles the issue, is a decision of no retreat and is a memorial that settles all future decisions.
4. "Some think when they commit to live debt free they will never have anything. But really, a quality decision to live debt free opens them up to have everything." —Gloria Copeland
5. They settled forever that God was their Source, they were not limited, and it was God's will for them to live debt free.

C. What Kenneth and Gloria Copeland Did to Live Debt Free

From *God's Will Is Prosperity* by Gloria Copeland

1. "We stopped using our charge accounts and began to believe God to get out of debt."
   a. "Everything we owned was 'buy now, pay later.'"

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   b. "Sometimes it was much later!"
2. "We set our affections on God's Word."
   a. "We were determined to walk according to what we saw in the Word."
   b. "Things didn't come to us in one day. We had to build the Word of God into our spirits and walk in what we knew. We would get some of the Word in us and walk in it; get more Word in us and walk in that; get more Word in us and walk in that. We were involved in the Word almost every waking hour. Television was not interesting to us. Even the world events could not hold our attention."
3. "We were committed to the Word regardless and were not willing to borrow money."
4. "We devoted ourselves to God's Word literally day and night."
   a. Joshua 1:8 (AMPC): "This Book of the Law shall not depart out of your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, that you may observe and do according to all that is written in it. For then you shall make your way prosperous, and then you shall deal wisely and have good success."
5. "It was 11 months from the time that we first decided to believe God to get out of debt until that goal was achieved. During those 11 months, we stood fast on what we knew from God's Word."

D. What Kenneth and Gloria Copeland Did to live Debt Free

From *The Laws of Prosperity* by Kenneth Copeland

1. "One night we sat down and figured out how much we owed. I got my checkbook and wrote out the checks that would pay these debts. We laid hands on them and prayed according to Romans 13:8."
2. "Father, in the Name of Jesus, I am putting these checks in this desk drawer and am believing You to get us out of this mess. I am looking to You for the money to pay all these debts, in the Name of Jesus."
3. "I was not so foolish as to mail those checks before the money was in the bank."
4. "We figured to the last penny how much it would take to operate our household abundantly, even allowing for unexpected things. We wrote it down and prayed over it in the Name of Jesus."
5. "I made up my mind to be single-minded from that day forward, and in less than 12 months from that night, we did not owe anything and haven't owed a penny since."

"You are only one decision away from your debt freedom!"
—Gloria Copeland

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How George and Terri Became Debt Free

Day #247

A. September 12, 1998—Our Quality Decision to Live Debt Free

1. We attended the "30 Days of Glory" meeting at EMIC.
2. We had recently sown a debt-free home and then borrowed the money to get into our next home.
3. Brother Copeland preached about debt freedom that evening and made two statements that led to our quality decision to live debt free.
   a. "What one does today for the sake of tomorrow is called an investment. What one does to enjoy today at the expense of tomorrow is called debt." —Kenneth Copeland, *It's Time to Get Out of Debt!*
   b. "Borrowing is a replacement covenant. It is going to someone else when you should have gone to God." —Kenneth Copeland, It's Time to Get Out of Debt!
   c. I wrote the word *ouch* in my notebook.
4. I looked out over the congregation.
   a. "How are these people going to live debt free?"
   b. "How are they going to buy their cars and houses if they can't borrow the money?"
   c. "I know the financial condition of some of them. Some of them are barely living from paycheck to paycheck."
5. We made our quality decision that night to live debt free.

B. Wednesday, October 13, 1999—Time to Go to the Next Level of Faith

1. I was taping a weeklong series on debt freedom with Brother Copeland.
2. He asked me the question heard 'round the world: "George, you have heard me preach living debt free for as long as you've been around me. Why then, did you borrow the money to get your new house?"
3. I froze, then mumbled a few disconnected words and was very thankful that Brother Copeland answered the question for me.
   a. "Your faith was not strong enough or big enough to receive a debt-free house."
   b. "Your faith level was not up to where you could receive a debt-free house."
   c. "You had enough faith developed to give a house debt free. But your faith was not developed enough at the time to receive a debt-free house."
   d. "It takes time to develop your faith. You don't just jump off into this kind of thing."
4. After the broadcast, I went home, talked to Terri and determined it was time to ramp up our pursuit of debt freedom.

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5. We then began a spiritual regimen to strengthen and develop our faith to get out of debt and live debt free.

C. Seven Things George and Terri Did to Live Debt Free (See Next Page)

1. We made a quality decision.
2. We got into covenant agreement.
3. We searched the Scriptures.
4. We prayed together often.
5. We allowed the Spirit of God to lead us.
6. We stayed in a continual state of sowing and reaping.
7. We entered the rest.

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What Pastors George and Terri Did to Live Debt Free

Day #247

A. 30 Days of Glory—September 12, 1998

1. "What one does today for the sake of tomorrow is called an investment. What one does to enjoy today at the expense of tomorrow is called debt."—Kenneth Copeland
2. "Borrowing is a replacement covenant—it is going to someone else when you should have gone to God." —Kenneth Copeland
3. Borrowing became a serious breach of my covenant with God.
4. I looked out at my congregation: "How are these people going to live debt free? How are they going to buy their cars and houses if they can't borrow the money? I know the financial condition of some of them. Some are barely living from paycheck to paycheck."
5. It's time to get out of debt! How?

B. The Seven Things Terri and I Did to Live Debt Free

1. We made a quality decision.
2. We got into covenant agreement.
3. We searched the Scriptures.
4. We prayed together often.
5. We allowed the Spirit of God to lead us.
6. We stayed in a continual state of sowing and reaping.
7. We entered the rest.

C. We Made a Quality Decision

1. Forever settles the issue.
2. Decision of no retreat, no return and no room for argument or discussion.
3. Becomes a memorial to look back on when challenged to compromise a stand of faith.
4. We declared, "In the Name of Jesus, we make our quality decision to live debt free. We are coming out of debt and are staying out of debt. By the power of God's Word, we are living debt-free, abundant lives. By faith, we are debt free. We refuse to borrow ever again!"
5. "The very moment you make the quality decision to live debt free, God sees you debt free. All you need to do now is to walk this out by faith, believe God's Word, and be obedient to whatever He tells you to do." —Kenneth Copeland

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D. We Got Into Covenant Agreement

1. Matthew 18:18-20: "Verily I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."
2. We stayed in agreement.
3. We created a Heavenly Grant.
4. The key was to "stay on the same page."
5. James 3:16: "For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work."

E. We Searched Out the Scriptures

1. Romans13:8: "Owe no man any thing, but to love one another."
    a. AMPC: "Keep out of debt and owe no man anything, except to love one another."
2. Deuteronomy 28:12: "The Lord shall open unto thee his good treasure, the heaven to give rain unto thy land in his season, and to bless the work of thine hand; and thou shalt lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow."
3. Proverbs 22:6-7: "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it. The rich ruleth over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender."
4. Proverbs 14:1: "Every wise woman buildeth her house."
    a. If momma ain't happy, something is wrong.
5. 2 Chronicles 2-4—Provision for the house
    a. 2 Chronicles 5:1—The house was finished.

F. We Prayed Together Often

1. Commit one to three days to pray about God's wisdom concerning the house.
2. Pray out the plan in tongues.
3. Pray until you know what to do.

G. We Allowed the Spirit of God to Lead Us

1. God has a Spirit-led, debt-cancellation plan for me (Jeremiah 29:11).
2. I receive God's plan by faith—nothing wavering (James 1:5-8).
3. God's plan comes out of the realm of the spirit—not the natural (1 Corinthians 2:9-10).
4. I have the ability to hear God's plan (Psalm 85:8).
5. I am obedient to God's plan. Whatever He tells me to do, I will do it! (Isaiah 1:19)

H. We Stayed in a Continual State of Sowing and Reaping

1. *"In order for you to increase in your receiving, you are going to have to go to a higher level of giving."*
2. Money would come.
    a. For the house?
    b. To sow as seed?

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3. Seasons of giving and harvesting
4. Mark 4:29—Got aggressive with harvesting
5. Philippians 4:14-19—We made deposits and withdrawals from our heavenly account.

I. We Entered the Rest

1. Hebrews 6:12: "Be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises."
2. James 1:4: "But let patience have her perfect work, that you may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing."
3. We put the force of patience to work.
   a. Patience is the ability to act like you have it before you see it.
   b. Patience is the quality that doesn't surrender to circumstances or succumb under trial.
   c. Patience causes us to maintain our stand of faith in spite of circumstances.
   d. Patience is constant all the time.
   e. Patience undergirds faith until the answer comes.
4. We relaxed, rolled our care, didn't get in a hurry or allow time to pressure us (Hebrews 4:9-11).
5. We kept our eyes on the progress being made—every step was a step of faith.

"If you're worrying, there's no way you're in faith!"
—Gloria Copeland

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Yield to the Plan and Not to the Pressure

Day #248

A. Psalm 34:19—"Many are the afflictions [pressures] of the righteous: but the Lord delivers him out of them all."

1. I got under pressure after we borrowed the money for a new house.
2. Serious condemnation tried to settle in.
3. The devil was beating me up for going back into debt.
4. I wanted out of debt and I wanted out of debt NOW!
5. I was struggling with the pressure of being in debt until I learned:
    a. To seek after God's wisdom.
    b. To yield to God's plan and not to the pressure.

B. Proverbs 4:7—"Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding."

1. Don't create unnecessary pressure for yourself.
    a. Settle this right now.
    b. Your debt-cancellation plan is wrapped up in God's wisdom.
2. Don't get impatient—stay with it until you are out of debt.
    a. God sees the complete picture.
    b. You may be in a holding pattern for a reason.
    c. God may be waiting on someone else to obey.
3. Relax by faith.
    a. When the pressure starts, press toward peace.
    b. Get in control and calm down.
    c. Learn to operate in "Low Slow."
    d. Say, "I don't have to do anything!"
4. Press through the wall of pressure into the wisdom of God.
    a. Stop pressing so much where getting out of debt is concerned.
    b. Press into the wisdom of God to know HOW to get out of debt.
    c. Quit trying to figure it out and get God's wisdom.
    d. "The wisdom of God is your ticket out from under the curse." —Gloria Copeland
    e. Say, "I receive God's wisdom to know HOW to get out of debt."
5. When God's wisdom is known, the peace that passes understanding takes over.
    a. Wisdom takes the pressure off the situation.
    b. Time deadlines won't mean anything to you.
    c. The situation will begin to look easier and easier.

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C. Three-Step Process to Receive God's Wisdom for Debt Freedom

1. Commit one to three days to pray about nothing else except God's wisdom concerning your debt freedom.
2. Pray in tongues over your debt-freedom plan.
3. Pray until you know exactly what to do.

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Give Your Way Out of Debt

Day #249

A. Ecclesiastes 11:4—"He that observeth the wind shall not sow; and he that regardeth the clouds shall not reap."

1. Many make a huge mistake while pressing into debt freedom.
2. They become so intent upon getting out of debt that they discontinue their tithing and sowing.
   a. When people endeavor to become debt free, there is a temptation to stop giving.
   b. It seems like the "logical" thing to do.
3. Terri and I realized that our debt freedom was dependent upon staying in a continual state of sowing and reaping.
4. We determined to be sensitive to the Holy Spirit as to our giving while believing God to become debt free.
5. God said, *In order for you to go up to a higher level of receiving, you will have to go up to a higher level of giving.*

B. Proverbs 3:9-10—"Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase: So shall thy [debt-free] barns be filled with plenty, and thy [debt-free] presses shall burst out with new wine."

1. "Lord, we need $1 million!"
   a. Many years ago, KCM was financially behind.
   b. It seemed that all the prayers and faith that brought previous victories didn't seem to get the job done.
   c. Kenneth went before the Lord.
      i. "Lord, I need $1 million."
      ii. The Lord told Kenneth that KCM needed to start tithing 10 percent of the income into other ministries.
   d. "When you talk to the Lord about your need, He will talk to you about sowing seed." —Jerry Savelle
   e. As KCM began to sow the 10 percent, the million dollar deficit began to disappear.

C. "Bring your tithe to Me…and I will show you how to be debt free."

1. "…If you will begin to confess [the Word], you will be shocked and thrilled at how quickly you will have the Glory arise and drive the debt out of your life. If you will bring your tithe to Me and spend time with Me, tithing that tithe to Me, I will teach you and

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I will train you and I will show you how to be debt free. I will bless you beyond your means. I will bless you beyond your income. I will bless you beyond your salaries. I will bless you beyond anything you have ever known before."—"I Will Bless You Beyond Your Means," word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, July 9, 2007

2. Genesis 14:17-24, 15:1-4—Abraham received direction as a result of tithing.
3. "Debt is the umbilical cord to the Babylonian system of finance. Your tithe is the umbilical cord to THE BLESSING." —Kenneth Copeland

D. Proverbs 11:24 (NLT)—"Give freely and become more wealthy; be stingy and lose everything."

1. Whenever money would come to us, we did not automatically pay on the house.
2. Terri and I continually looked for ways to sow seed.
3. We would ask The Lord to reveal to us whose "debt freedom" we needed to sow into.
4. We would tithe and then ask how much (or all of it) we should sow.
   a. Sometimes we sowed it as seed.
   b. Sometimes it went toward the house.
   c. We eventually sowed and tithed our way out of debt.
5. 2 Corinthians 9:8 (AMPC): "And God is able to make all grace (every favor and earthly blessing) come to you in abundance, so that you may always and under all circumstances and whatever the need be self-sufficient [possessing enough to require no aid or support and furnished in abundance for every good work and charitable donation]."

E. Giving and Debt Freedom

From *The Laws of Prosperity* by Kenneth Copeland

1. "There is a basic, fundamental truth that runs throughout the entire Bible, throughout God's history of dealing with man. Every time there was a need, no matter what that need was, God had a man somewhere who had the resources—spiritually, mentally, or financially—to meet that need.
2. "For Israel, there was Moses. For the world, there was Jesus. For Jesus, there was a man with a donkey. For Ephesus, there was Paul. The Bible says God gave gifts to men—apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, teachers (Ephesians 4:11). He had a man to provide every need. No one person will ever be so spiritual that he doesn't need other people. We all need one another.
3. "Eleven months later I was completely out of debt. In the meantime, I learned to include other people in my needs by giving to them and getting involved with them. When I began to give, I suddenly realized one day how very busy I was with God's work."

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Supernatural Debt Cancellation

Day #250

A. Luke 4:14-21—Three Supernatural Ways That God Removes Debt

1. He provides the finances.
2. He cancels the debt.
3. He moves upon others.

B. He Provides the Finances

1. 2 Kings 4:1-7 (NLT): "…Sell the olive oil and pay the your debts, and you and your sons can live on what is left over."
2. Luke 5:1-11—Simon Peter's fishing business avoided bankruptcy after Jesus told him where to drop the nets.
3. Matthew 17:24-27—Taxes were paid from money in a fish's mouth.

C. He Cancels the Debt

1. Nehemiah 5:1-13—Nehemiah cancelled the debts of the poor Jews.
2. Matthew 18:23-27—The king forgave his servant of the 10,000 talents.
3. Matthew 6:12—Key point: Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
4. Colossians 2:13-14 (AMPC)—Jesus "cancelled and blotted out and wiped away the handwriting of the note…with its legal decrees and demands…. He set aside and cleared completely out of our way by nailing it to [His] cross."
5. Luke 16:1-7—He reduces the debt.

D. He Moves Upon Others

1. Philemon 18-19 (AMPC): "If he has done you any wrong in any way or owes anything [to you], charge that to my account. I, Paul, write it with my own hand—I promise to pay it in full...."
2. Luke 10:30-37: "The Samaritan took out two pence and gave them to the owner of the inn and said to him, 'Take care of him. Whatever else you have to spend, I will pay it back in full when I return.'"
3. God is the One who moves upon a person—not you.
    a. Faith puts no pressure on others.
    b. Faith puts pressure on the Word of the covenant.
    c. Faith says, "God is my Source."
    d. Luke 6:38—You give and it will be given to you.

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E. Word From the Lord Through Brother Copeland in Anaheim, Calif., July 9, 2007

"I Will Bless You Beyond Your Means," word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, Monday, July 9, 2007

1. "The manifestation of THE BLESSING is at an all-time high. You are approaching a blessing manifestation of Glory that is an explosion in ways and intensity that the human race has never seen before….
2. "THE BLESSING will encase you and you will learn to walk in the secret place of the Most High God. Blessed in His BLESSING, blessed in His Glory, blessed in your comings, blessed in your goings, blessed in your pocketbook.
3. "All debt will have to get up and leave you the way leprosy left the lepers of old.
4. "Debt is financial sickness. It is financial leprosy. It is an attempt to do with the natural world's monies and abilities what I created THE BLESSING to do for you. Only, it is a burden and not a blessing. Debt is part of the curse.
5. "If you will begin to confess [the Word], you will be shocked and thrilled at how quickly you will have the Glory arise and drive the debt out of your life.
6. "If you will bring your tithe to Me and spend time with Me, tithing that tithe to Me, I will teach you, and I will train you, and I will show you how to be debt free.
7. "I will bless you beyond your means. I will bless you beyond your income. I will bless you beyond your salaries. I will bless you beyond anything you have ever known before.
8. "I will show you things that you have never heard of before. You will take advantage of those things and be financially blessed. I will bring such a financial blessing upon you that you won't have any idea where it came from.
9. "It has come to an explosive place.
10. "I am ready, saith the Lord, if you will begin to confess it, walk in it and make it a priority in your life. Then, the Glory will manifest in your midst and you will give Me praise. I will come and visit you and together, we will have a grand time."

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Faith Steps

Step #1: Decide What You Want From God

Day #251

A. Hebrews 5:13-14—We Must Become Skillful in Faith

1. Many wonder why they are not getting the results they desire.
   a. "Why is it taking so long?"
   b. "It seems like my faith is not working."
2. That may be the case.
3. They are not properly working their faith.
4. A believer can't succeed if he doesn't know how to pray and stand according to biblical principles.
5. We can become more skillful at praying the prayer of faith.

B. James 5:16—The Effectual, Fervent Prayer of a Righteous Man Avails Much

1. NIV: "The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective."
2. NLT: "The earnest prayer of a righteous person has great power and produces wonderful results."
3. Learning how to pray the prayer of faith is vital to our success.
   a. It is not just asking for something.
   b. There is more to it than just that.
4. There are faith steps we need to follow to achieve the most effective results.
5. I have been refreshing myself with two classic faith series:
   a. *Steps to Answered Prayer* by Kenneth E. Hagin
   b. *Seven Steps to Prayer That Bring Results* by Kenneth Copeland
   c. "If one would faithfully follow these steps, they will always be assured of an answer." —Kenneth E. Hagin, *Steps to Answered Prayer,* Message 4

C. Step #1: Decide What You Want From God

1. Habakkuk 2:2: "Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it."
2. What are you specifically believing for?
   a. Too many are vague and indefinite in their requests.
   b. "What are you praying for?"
   c. "Nothing in particular."
   d. "That is exactly what you will get."
3. Examples of those who were specific about what they wanted

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   a. Mark 5:28: "For she said, If I may touch but his clothes, I shall be whole."
   b. Mark 10:51 (NLT): "'What do you want me to do for you?' Jesus asked. 'My rabbi,' the blind man said, 'I want to see!'"
4. The Lord will help you identify exactly what to believe for.
5. Matthew 6:8 Your Father knows what things you have need of before you ask Him.

Faith in God's Word is the element
that makes all things possible!
—Gloria Copeland

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Faith Steps

Step #2: Locate Scriptures That Promise What You Want From God

Day #252

Step #1—Decide what you want from God.
Step #2—Locate scriptures that promise you what you want from God.

A. 2 Peter 1:1-4—Locate Scriptures That Promise You What You Want From God

1. God's Word covers everything we would ever need.
2. Prayer that brings results must be based on God's Word.
3. Start with the answer (the Word) and not the problem.
4. Take your stand on the Word.
5. God's Word is your blood-sworn, legal document.
    a. The Word guarantees your answer.
    b. It is forever settled in heaven.

B. 1 John 5:14-15—God's Word Is His Will

1. AMPC: "And this is the confidence (the assurance, the privilege of boldness) which we have in Him: [we are sure] that if we ask anything (make any request) according to His will (in agreement with His own plan), He listens to and hears us. And if (since) we [positively] know that He listens to us in whatever we ask, we also know [with settled and absolute knowledge] that we have [granted us as our present possessions] the requests made of Him."
2. Faith begins where the will of God is known.
3. Faith stops at the question mark.
4. Many are not praying with confidence.
    a. They are not locating scriptures that prove God wants them to have the things they desire.
    b. They don't know if it is His will.
    c. They waver and hesitate.
5. Whatever God's Word says you can have, you can have.

C. Locate at Least Three Scriptures That Promise What You Need

1. 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."

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

When you've got God's Word on it,
it shuts the devil's doubt out.
—Gloria Copeland

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Step #3: Get Those Scriptures Firmly Fixed in Your Heart

Day #253

Step #1—Decide what you want from God.
Step #2—Locate scriptures that promise you what you want from God.
Step #3—Get those scriptures firmly fixed in your heart.

A. Joshua 1:8—Meditate Therein Day and Night

1. Success in life comes from meditating God's Word.
2. It takes time to build the Word into our spirit to stand in faith.
3. Matthew 4—Jesus had to have spent much time meditating the Word in order for His response to be, "It is written."
4. We must constantly meditate on the Word for it to effectively work.
5. We can become so strong by meditating the Word that every response to every challenge is faith.

B. Psalm 1:1-3—What Meditation in the Word Accomplishes

1. It gets the Word firmly deposited and fixed in the heart.
2. It paints an inner image of the Word on the heart.
3. It expands our capacity to believe and receive in a greater way.
4. It brings our mind and emotions under the control of the Holy Spirit.
5. It strengthens our ability to use the Word against the enemy who would try to make us doubt God and rob us of what we desire.
6. It is the basic law for establishing the heart.
7. It bathes our minds and hearts in the Word in order to become more sensitive to the leadings of the Holy Spirit.

C. John 15:7—How to Meditate the Word

1. Get quiet by praying in tongues.
2. Acknowledge the integrity of God's Word.
3. Dwell upon what God's Word says about us.
4. Apply the Word personally.
5. Allow the Holy Spirit to make the Word a reality.
6. Let the Word mold and reform our thoughts.
7. Agree with God as to how He sees us in the light of His Word.

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Real faith is built on the Word. We should meditate on the Word; dig deeply into it and feed on it. Then, the Word will become a part of us just as natural food becomes a part of our physical body when we eat.

What natural food is to the physical man, the Word of God is to the spiritual man.

The Word builds into us confidence and assurance and helps us to believe.

When we get our hearts full of the Word, believing is inevitable. We must feed upon the Word until acting on the Word is all we want to do.

You abide in Him and His Word abides in you—
that's a winning combination!
—Gloria Copeland

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Step #4: Ask God for What You Want and Believe You Receive When You Pray

Day #254

Step #1—Decide what you want from God.
Step #2—Locate scriptures that promise you what you want from God.
Step #3—Get those scriptures firmly fixed in your heart.
Step #4—Ask God for what you want and believe you receive when you pray.

A. Matthew 7:7-8—Ask and It Will Be Given

1. Once the scriptures are firmly fixed and anchored in the heart and we have a firm grasp on what belongs to us, we are in position to ask boldly and confidently.
2. Hebrews 4:16 (AMPC): "Let us then fearlessly and confidently and boldly draw near to the throne of grace."
3. John 15:7: "If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you."
4. Asking is the act of withdrawing what already belongs to you.
5. John 16:24: "Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full."

B. John 16:23—Ask in the Name of Jesus

1. "Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you."
2. John 14:14: "If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it."
3. Asking in the Name of Jesus places a legal demand upon what is already ours.
   a. We have the legal right to use His Name.
   b. It is the code that unlocks the source.
4. We have been cleared for unqualified use of the Name of Jesus.
5. That Name gives us access to all of heaven's reserves.

There is no new way!
—Gloria Copeland

C. Mark 11:24—Believe You Receive When You Pray

1. NKJV: "Therefore I say to you, whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them."

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2. Many want to receive it first and then believe.
    a. Faith doesn't work that way.
    b. We believe first and then we receive.
    c. "If God's Word says so, it is mine and I have it now."
    d. Faith says, "I have it now even though I can't see it."
3. We believe we have our answer before we see it.
    a. We appropriate God's Word by faith when we believe we receive before it is manifested.
    b. When we pray, we say, "I know God heard me. I have my answer now because the Word says so—not because I feel anything."
4. Hebrews 11:1 (MOFFATT): "Now faith means that we are confident of what we hope for, convinced of what we do not see."
5. 1 John 5:14-15 (AMPC): "And this is the confidence (the assurance, the privilege of boldness) which we have in Him: [we are sure] that if we ask anything (make any request) according to His will (in agreement with His own plan), He listens to and hears us. And if (since) we [positively] know that He listens to us in whatever we ask, we also know [with settled and absolute knowledge] that we have [granted us as our present possessions] the requests made of Him."

D. Sample Prayer of Faith

Heavenly Father, I come boldly into Your presence. I come to the throne room of grace to obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Father, I see in Your Word that it is Your will and desire for me to have wisdom to know what to do about my situation. According to Jeremiah 33:3, I am to call upon You and You will answer me. You have plans to prosper me. According to John 16:13, You will show me things to come.

It is written according to 1 Corinthians 1:30 that Jesus has been made unto me wisdom. James 1:5 says if any lack wisdom, let him ask of God and He would give it to all men liberally.

I boldly and confidently ask You according to Your Word for the wisdom I need. I ask this in the Name of Jesus, for You said in John 14:14, "If ye shall ask anything in my name, I will do it."

Father, I give You all praise and thanksgiving for the completion of it. I legally appropriate that wisdom from heaven's storehouse and boldly declare, "I believe I receive when I pray!"

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Step #5: Refuse to Allow Doubt and Fear to Enter Your Consciousness

Day #255

Step #1—Decide what you want from God.
Step #2—Locate scriptures that promise you what you want from God.
Step #3—Get those scriptures firmly fixed in your heart.
Step #4—Ask God for what you want and believe you receive when you pray.
Step #5—Refuse to allow doubt and fear to enter your consciousness.

A. 2 Corinthians 10:5—Guard Your Mind

1. Refuse to allow doubt and fear to enter your consciousness.
2. Satan works in the arena of suggestions, dreams and visions, and he tries to undermine your faith.
3. You are the establishing witness.
   a. Satan (doubt) is on one hand saying you don't have it.
   b. The Word (faith) is on the other hand saying you do have it.
4. Refuse to accept anything against you and your receiving.
5. Most will try to talk you out of your stand of faith—don't let them do it!

B. James 4:7—Resist Doubt

1. Many think wrong things and are defeated as a result.
2. In order to receive answers to your prayers, you must eradicate every image, suggestion, vision, dream, impression, feeling and all thoughts that do not contribute to your faith, and that do not affirm that you have what you have asked God for.
3. Rebuke all thoughts of doubt and fear.
4. Replace those thoughts with God's Word.
5. If you will guard against every evil thought and think only on those things which affirm that God has heard and answered your prayers, you will be cooperating with God in faith.

C. Philippians 4:6-9—Be Positive in Your Thinking

1. Let every thought and desire affirm that you have what you prayed.
2. Never permit a mental picture of failure to remain in your mind.
3. Once you've asked, never doubt for one minute you have the answer.

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4. To get your mind on the answer, you must get your mind on the Word.
5. Constantly affirm that the promises of God are true and that prayer has been answered.

Faith—it's not for wimps!
—Gloria Copeland

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Step #6: See Yourself Succeed and Not Fail

Day #256

Step #1—Decide what you want from God.
Step #2—Locate scriptures that promise you what you want from God.
Step #3—Get those scriptures firmly fixed in your heart.
Step #4—Ask God for what you want and believe you receive when you pray.
Step #5—Refuse to allow doubt and fear to enter your consciousness.
Step #6—See yourself succeed and not fail.

A. Romans 13:14—Don't Prepare to Fail

1. "But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof."
2. Make no provision for the flesh to fail.
3. Let every thought and desire affirm that you have already received what you prayed.
4. Never permit a mental picture of failure to enter your mind.
5. Eradicate all thoughts of failure that do not contribute to your faith.

B. Isaiah 26:3—Protect Your Mind

1. NLT: "You will keep in perfect peace all who trust in you, all whose thoughts are fixed on you!"
2. You must deal with your thought life because it can defeat you.
3. Thoughts are governed by observations, associations and teachings.
4. Guard yourself against every thought of failure that comes to your mind.
   a. The 10 spies brought back an evil report.
   b. "We can't take the land!"
   c. They were talking failure and fear.
5. Stay away from all places and things that do not support your affirmation of success that God has heard and answered your prayer.
   a. You may have to stay away from some churches.
   b. You can't be around people who always talk about failing.
   c. It will eventually rub off on you.

C. Joshua 1:8—Prepare to Succeed

1. "For then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success."
2. See yourself with what you asked for.

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3. Make plans accordingly as if it were already a reality.
4. Whatever the Word says you have, you have.
5. If you can see it, you can have it.

It's not a mind over matter thing,
it's a Word over matter thing.
—Gloria Copeland

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Step #7: Give God Continual Praise and Thanksgiving

Day #257

Step #1—Decide what you want from God.
Step #2—Locate scriptures that promise you what you want from God.
Step #3—Get those scriptures firmly fixed in your heart.
Step #4—Ask God for what you want and believe you receive when you pray.
Step #5—Refuse to allow doubt and fear to enter your consciousness.
Step #6—See yourself succeed and not fail.
Step #7—Give God continual praise and thanksgiving.

A. Psalm 34:1—Continual Praise and Thanksgiving

1. "I will bless the Lord at all times: His praise shall continually be in my mouth."
2. This should take place every waking moment.
3. We should be thinking on the greatness and goodness of God.
   a. Lift your heart to God constantly in increasing praise.
   b. Express gratitude for what He has done and for all He is doing.
4. Spend time counting your blessings and faith will increase.
5. If you want to enlarge your faith, cultivate a lifestyle of thanksgiving.

B. Philippians 4:6—With Thanksgiving

1. Praise and thanksgiving are mighty affirmations of faith.
2. After the "amen" of our prayer, we continue to thank God for the supernatural manifestation of our desired result.
3. Because the Word is true, we thank God for our answer before we ever see it come to pass.
4. Thanksgiving positions us to more easily receive from God.
5. Verse 7 (NLT): "Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus."

C. Psalm 67:5-7—Praise and Thanksgiving Move Things Along

1. "Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee. Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us. God shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear him."
2. "The depth of your praise will determine the magnitude of your harvest." —Jerry Savelle, Day 39, *Prosperity and Praise.*

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3. What we do between the time we pray and see the manifestation is crucial.
4. Praise and thanksgiving supernaturally accelerates the time it takes to see the results.
5. "Because the Word is true, I thank God and give Him praise for my answer before I ever see it come to pass!"

Thanksgiving is a receiving language.
—Gloria Copeland

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Step #8: Make Every Prayer a Statement of Faith Instead of Unbelief

Day #258

Step #1—Decide what you want from God.
Step #2—Locate scriptures that promise you what you want from God.
Step #3—Get those scriptures firmly fixed in your heart.
Step #4—Ask God for what you want and believe you receive when you pray.
Step #5—Refuse to allow doubt and fear to enter your consciousness.
Step #6—See yourself succeed and not fail.
Step #7—Give God continual praise and thanksgiving.
Step #8—Make every prayer a statement of faith instead of unbelief.

A. 2 Corinthians 4:13—The Spirit of Faith

1. "We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak."
2. This is where the battle is won or lost.
3. We can make statements of faith as easily as we can make statements of unbelief—it is our choice.
4. It is thinking faith thoughts and saying faith words that leads us out of defeat into victory.
5. Once we pray the prayer of faith, we never need to pray it again.

B. Matthew 6:7—Avoid Vain Repetitions

1. "But when ye pray, use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that they shall be heard for their much speaking."
2. A vain repetition would be asking for the same thing over and over again.
3. Smith Wigglesworth said, "If you pray seven times for any one thing, you prayed six times in unbelief."—From *The Bible Prayer Study Course* by Kenneth E. Hagin.
4. Andrew Murray said, "It is not good taste to ask God for the same thing over and over again…. If what you have prayed for hasn't materialized, and you do pray again, don't pray for it again in the same way because that would be unbelief…remind God that you asked for it and remind Him of what His Word says; put Him in remembrance of His promises (Isa. 43:26). Tell Him that you're expecting it, and thank Him for it." —From *The Bible Prayer Study Course* by Kenneth E. Hagin.
5. Don't dig up your seed by saying it didn't work.

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a. That contradicts your own faith.
b. Don't nullify your faith by asking over and over again.

C. Kenneth E. Hagin's Example

1. A woman had a daughter with epilepsy.
2. She contacted Brother Hagin and said she was bringing her daughter to his meeting.
3. She said they had already prayed and claimed her daughter's healing.
4. She asked, "Can we still bring her?"
5. Brother Hagin said, "Yes, under the right conditions."
6. "Before you come up to the healing line, tell the Lord, 'I am not going up there like some of the others. I am going up there for Brother Hagin to agree with us that we already have what we believe.'"
7. They stayed in faith by praying the prayer of agreement, according to Matthew 18:18-20.
8. The girl never had another seizure.

If the devil can steal your words,
he can get control over the whole thing.
—Gloria Copeland

If he can get your words, he can get you.
—Pastor George Pearsons

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Step #9: Testify to What You Believe

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Step #1—Decide what you want from God.
Step #2—Locate scriptures that promise you what you want from God.
Step #3—Get those scriptures firmly fixed in your heart.
Step #4—Ask God for what you want and believe you receive when you pray.
Step #5—Refuse to allow doubt and fear to enter your consciousness.
Step #6—See yourself succeed and not fail.
Step #7—Give God continual praise and thanksgiving.
Step #8—Make every prayer a statement of faith instead of unbelief.
Step #9—Testify to what you believe.

A. Revelation 12:11—We Overcome by Our Testimony

1. "And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death."
2. We are redeemed by the blood of Jesus.
3. Because of that, we have a right to all Jesus can do.
4. We add our testimony to what we have received by the blood.
5. The Word of God is our testimony.

B. Hebrews 10:23—Maintain Your Confession

1. "Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised)."
2. Our words will make or break a perfectly good prayer of faith.
3. Don't dig up the seeds of faith with negative words.
4. Verses 35-36 (AMPC): "Do not, therefore, fling away your fearless confidence, for it carries a great and glorious compensation of reward. For you have need of steadfast patience and endurance, so that you may perform and fully accomplish the will of God, and thus receive and carry away [and enjoy to the full] what is promised."
5. Ephesians 6:14 (AMPC): "Stand therefore [hold your ground]…."

C. Psalm 34:2—Testify to Others

1. AMPC: "My life makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble and afflicted hear and be glad."
2. Your testimony of faith will encourage others and help build their faith.
3. Mark 5 (NLT)—The madman of Gadara

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a. Verse 15: "A crowd soon gathered around Jesus, and they saw the man who had been possessed by the legion of demons. He was sitting there fully clothed and perfectly sane, and they were all afraid."
b. Verses 18-20: "As Jesus was getting into the boat, the man who had been demon possessed begged to go with him. But Jesus said, 'No, go home to your family, and tell them everything the Lord has done for you and how merciful he has been.' So the man started off to visit the Ten Towns of that region and began to proclaim the great things Jesus had done for him; and everyone was amazed at what he told them."

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Step #10: Get on the Giving End

Day #260

Step #1—Decide what you want from God.
Step #2—Locate scriptures that promise you what you want from God.
Step #3—Get those scriptures firmly fixed in your heart.
Step #4—Ask God for what you want and believe you receive when you pray.
Step #5—Refuse to allow doubt and fear to enter your consciousness.
Step #6—See yourself succeed and not fail.
Step #7—Give God continual praise and thanksgiving.
Step #8—Make every prayer a statement of faith instead of unbelief.
Step #9—Testify to what you believe.
Step #10—Get on the giving end.

A. Luke 6:38—Give and It Will be Given

1. If you are believing for finances, sow into someone's life.
2. If you need extra time, sow your time.
3. If you are believing for debt freedom, sow toward debt freedom in someone else's life.
4. Terri and I were believing to become debt free.
5. We sowed into others' homes and reaped a harvest of debt freedom.

B. Luke 10:33-35 (NLT)—Get Involved Helping Someone Else

1. Faith works by love.
2. Our faith is strengthened as we reach out to others.
3. Verse 33: "Then a despised Samaritan came along, and when he saw the man, he felt compassion for him."
4. Verse 34: "Going over to him, the Samaritan soothed his wounds with olive oil and wine and bandaged them. Then he put the man on his own donkey and took him to an inn, where he took care of him."
5. Verse 35: "The next day he handed the innkeeper two silver coins, telling him, 'Take care of this man. If his bill runs higher than this, I'll pay you the next time I'm here.'"

C. Our Motivation for Accumulation Is Distribution

1. "True prosperity is the ability to use the power of God to meet the needs of mankind in every realm of life—spirit, soul, body, financially and socially." —Kenneth Copeland
2. "True prosperity is walking with God to be able and equipped to do for others whatever

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He needs done, whenever He needs it done and with whatever He needs it done."
—Kenneth Copeland

3. Philippians 2:4: "Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others."
4. Galatians 6:10 (KNOX): "Let us practise generosity to all, while the opportunity is ours; and above all, to those who are of one family with us in the faith."
5. Pastor Creflo Dollar emptied his entire account and sowed the money toward KCM's airplane.

If you want to be in on the receiving end,
get in on the giving end.
—Gloria Copeland

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Faith Steps

Seven Steps to Prayer That Bring Results

Kenneth Copeland's Study Notes

Foundation Scriptures: Matthew 21:21-22; Mark 11:24

I. Prayer that brings results **must** be based on God's Word. Start with the answer which is the Word (John 15:7; 1 John 3:22, 5:14-15; Isaiah 55:8-11).

II. Begin the application of faith.
   A. Confession
      1. Believe you receive *when you pray.*
      2. Hold fast to your confession (Hebrews 4:11-16).
   B. Act as though it was already done (James 2:14-24). To be "afraid" to confess or act as though it is already done is to doubt God's Word.

III. **Refuse** to allow doubt and fear to enter your consciousness.
   A. Satan works in the area of suggestions, dreams and visions. Visions, dreams, etc., must agree completely with the Word. (Refer to Point I.)
   B. **You are the establishing witness.** Satan (doubt, etc.) is on one hand saying that you don't have it; the Word is on the other hand saying that you do.
   C. 2 Corinthians 10:5—Control your mind with the Word.
   D. Dwell on the **answer** instead of the **problem.**
   E. Refuse to accept anything against you and your receiving! Most people will try to talk you out of your stand of faith on the Word!

IV. See yourself succeed, not fail.
   A. Proverbs 4:20-22
   B. Matthew 6:22-23
   C. Romans 13:14—Make no provision for the flesh (to fail). Prepare to succeed.

V. Testify of what you believe—**the Word** (Revelation 12:11).
   A. You are redeemed by the blood of Jesus. You have a right to all Jesus can do.
   B. Add your testimony to what you have received by the blood.

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VI. Get involved helping someone else (Galatians 5:6).

VII. Get on the giving end (Luke 6:38).

A. If you need healing, pray for someone else (James 5:16).

B. The way you measure out is how it will be measured back to you.

C. The Word says God is love.

1. Theology magnifies the power of God rather than His love (compassion).
2. The Word magnifies His *willingness* to use His power more than the power itself.
3. **Never** doubt God's willingness to use His power to set us free!

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The Spirit of Increase

The Day of Increase

Day #261

A. The Day of Increase at EMIC

1. Sunday, April 17, 2016, was a milestone day at EMIC.
2. The Lord took over the service when I stepped forward to pray over the offering.
3. He declared it, "The Day of Increase."
4. The Lord said, *This is a new day. This is a new hour. Breakthroughs are taking place. Supernatural breakthroughs in the financial realm are taking place right now!*
5. Then I said, "The Spirit of Increase is on me and with me. He told me to come to church and release increase over the congregation. The Spirit of Increase is working in me. Everything I set my hands to is prospering. The Spirit of Increase is on this church. We are increasing. Increase. Enlarge. Multiply."

Don't expect to decrease at any age.
Increase is on the calendar!
—Gloria Copeland

B. Psalm 115:12-16—The Lord Shall Increase You More and More

1. Psalm 115:12-16 is the scripture the Lord gave me that Sunday.
2. "The Lord hath been mindful of us: he will bless us; he will bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house of Aaron. He will bless them that fear the Lord, both small and great. The Lord shall increase you more and more, you and your children. Ye are blessed of the Lord which made heaven and earth. The heaven, even the heavens, are the Lord's: but the earth hath he given to the children of men."
3. I laid hands on everyone that morning.
4. They all received The Spirit of Increase.
5. That anointing has not lifted—it has increased since that time.

Forget not—that's what will deliver us from the curse!
—Gloria Copeland

C. Romans 12:2—We Must Become "Increase-Minded"

1. "And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."

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2. AMPC: "Do not be conformed to this world (this age), [fashioned after and adapted to its external, superficial customs], but be transformed (changed) by the [entire] renewal of your mind [by its new ideals and its new attitude], so that you may prove [for yourselves] what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God, even the thing which is good and acceptable and perfect [in His sight for you]."
3. I began to meditate on increase scriptures.
    a. Deuteronomy 16:15: "The Lord thy God shall bless thee in all thine increase."
    b. Psalm 85:12: "Yea, The Lord shall give that which is good; and our land shall yield her increase."
    c. 1 Corinthians 3:6: "I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase."
4. I listened to CDs, read books and studied scriptures about increase.
5. Faith for The Spirit of Increase comes by hearing and hearing by the Word on increase.
    a. We will spend 10 days renewing our minds to walking daily in supernatural increase.
    b. Psalm 68:19: "Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation. Selah."

His benefits don't come from a government, they're His.
We're tied to His benefits.
—Gloria Copeland

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The Spirit of Increase

Increase: God's Plan for Man

Day #262

A. Genesis 1:26-28—God's Original Plan

1. "And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion...."
2. The first thing God did after He created man was to bless him.
3. His original intent for mankind was that they should be blessed and increase in every area of their lives.
4. *Multiply* (HEB) = Increase
5. God's original plan for man was to demonstrate The Spirit of Increase by replicating the Garden of Eden all over the universe.

B. Genesis 1:28—God's Plan for Man

1. THE BLESSING was the first word spoken over man.
2. *Blessed* = Empowered to prosper and increase, as a result of having God's favor bestowed on your life
3. *Blessed* = Continually walking in The Spirit of Increase, in spite of the conditions
4. Proverbs 10:22: "The blessing of the Lord, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it."
5. The Spirit of Increase was perpetual.
   a. God's plan to increase man continued in spite of Adam's high treason in the Garden.
   b. Genesis 9:1: "And God blessed Noah and his sons, and said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply [increase], and replenish the earth."
   c. Genesis 12:2 (to Abram): "And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing."
   d. Genesis 26:12-13: "Then Isaac sowed in that land, and received in the same year an hundredfold: and the Lord blessed him. And the man waxed great, and went forward, and grew until he became very great."

There are enormous benefits from being saved. Sign up as soon as you can!!
—Gloria Copeland

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C. Galatians 3:29—God's Plan for Us

1. "And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise."
2. The Spirit of Increase that was upon Adam, Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, David, Solomon and up through Jesus, is upon us today.
3. Jesus came and broke the curse of poverty and lack over mankind (Galatians 3:13-14).
4. He redeemed us from that curse and put us in position:
    a. To walk in the same blessing
    b. To walk in the same increase
    c. To walk in the same favor
5. We should be walking in a greater degree of The Spirit of Increase because our covenant is a better covenant, founded upon better promises (Hebrews 8:6).
    a. God's plan was and is for us to cultivate the Garden of Eden everywhere we go.
    b. Isaiah 51:1-3: "Hearken to me, ye that follow after righteousness, ye that seek the Lord: look unto the rock whence ye are hewn, and to the hole of the pit whence ye are digged. Look unto Abraham your father, and unto Sarah that bare you: for I called him alone, and blessed him, and increased him. For the Lord shall comfort Zion: he will comfort all her waste places; and he will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the Lord; joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving, and the voice of melody."

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The Spirit of Increase

Increase Everywhere

Day #263

A. 3 John 2—Increase in Every Area of Life

1. "Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth."
2. AMPC: "Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in every way and (WNT) in all respects."
3. Don't limit increase to money.
4. The Spirit of Increase covers everything.
5. 2 Peter 1:3 (NKJV): "His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness."

B. Deuteronomy 29:9—Increase in All You Do

1. "Keep therefore the words of this covenant, and do them, that ye may prosper in all that ye do."
2. Abraham increased in every area of his life.
   a. Genesis 24:1: "The Lord had blessed Abraham in all things."
   b. MSG: "in every way"
3. Spiritual increase
   a. 1 Peter 2:2 (NKJV): "As newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby."
   b. We are to increase in spiritual maturity.
4. Soul increase
   a. Our minds renewed to God's Word
   b. Our wills conformed to God's will
   c. Our emotions controlled by God's Spirit
5. Physical increase
   a. Psalm 103:3 (AMPC): "Who heals [each one of] all your diseases."
   b. Proverbs 9:11: "For by me thy days shall be multiplied, and the years of thy life shall be increased."
   c. Isaiah 40:29 (AMPC): "He gives power to the faint and weary, and to him who has no might He increases strength [causing it to multiply and making it to abound]."

C. Proverbs 11:24-25—Financial Increase

1. AMPC: "There are those who [generously] scatter abroad, and yet increase more; there are those who withhold more than is fitting or what is justly due, but it results only in

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want. The liberal person shall be enriched, and he who waters shall himself be watered."

2. "So we know that we should increase spiritually, mentally, and physically. And God also expects as you serve Him and as you put His Word first place in your life, that there should be signs of financial increase." —Jerry Savelle, *Increase God's Way*
3. "For you to never experience financial increase in your walk with God is a violation of spiritual laws." —Jerry Savelle, *Increase God's Way*
4. Financial increase includes:
    a. All bills paid
    b. Debt freedom
    c. Much left over
5. 2 Corinthians 9:10 (NLT): "For God is the one who provides seed for the farmer and then bread to eat. In the same way, he will provide and increase your resources and then produce a great harvest of generosity in you."

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He Will Increase Us More and More

Day #264

Psalm 115:12-14

The Lord hath been mindful of us: he will bless us;
he will bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house of Aaron.
He will bless them that fear the Lord, both small and great.
The Lord shall increase you more and more, you and your children.

A. Verse 12—The Lord has been mindful of us.

1. Psalm 8:4 (NKJV): "What is man that You are mindful of him, and the son of man that You visit him?"
2. We are on God's mind all the time.
3. He is thinking about how He can increase us, provide for us and grant us the very desires of our hearts.

B. Verses 12-13—The Lord has been mindful of us: He will bless us.

1. He is thinking about how He can bless us and, "do superabundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams]" (Ephesians 3:20, AMPC).
2. He is thinking, *How can I bless them? How can I increase them? How can I manifest My favor on their behalf?*
3. To bless us is to empower us to prosper and increase.

C. Verse 13—He will bless the house of Israel; He will bless the house of Aaron. He will bless them that fear the Lord, both small and great.

1. Take note of how many times the word bless is used.
2. "The repetition of the word 'bless' shows that where God has once bestowed His favor, He continues it. His blessing delights to visit the same house often and to abide where it once lodged." —Charles Spurgeon
3. "It is God's nature to bless. It is His prerogative to bless. It is His glory to bless. And it is His delight to bless. Blessing us over and over and with more and more will not impoverish God." —Charles Spurgeon

Don't forget where you got the blessing!
—Gloria Copeland

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D. Verse 14—The Lord shall increase you more and more, you and your children.

1. *Increase* (HEB) = Exceed, grow, continue to add over and above.
2. *Augment* = Make something greater by adding to it
   a. To supplement
   b. To enlarge, expand and multiply
3. Psalm 115:14 Commentary from the *Tehillim*:
   a. "May HASHEM add upon you, upon you and upon your children.
   b. "These words provide a most accurate description of the true nature of blessing. Blessing means increase and abundance, whereas the closest definition of curse, is decrease and loss *(Ibn Ezra)*."
4. God has no problem with increasing us.
   a. 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."
   b. Luke 12:32: "Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom."
5. God has no problem with increasing our children.
   a. 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."
   b. Psalm 112:1-2 (NLT): "Praise the Lord! How joyful are those who fear the Lord and delight in obeying his commands. Their children will be successful everywhere; an entire generation of godly people will be blessed."

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God Is All About Increase

Day #265

A. Multiplication

1. Genesis 9:7: "And you, be ye fruitful, and multiply; bring forth abundantly in the earth, and multiply therein."
2. Leviticus 26:9 (AMPC): "For I will be leaning toward you with favor and regard for you, rendering you fruitful, multiplying you, and establishing and ratifying My covenant with you."
3. 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."

B. The Double

1. Isaiah 61:7: "For your shame ye shall have double; and for confusion they shall rejoice in their portion: therefore in their land they shall possess the double: everlasting joy shall be unto them."
2. Exodus 22:7: "If a man shall deliver unto his neighbour money or stuff to keep, and it be stolen out of the man's house; if the thief be found, let him pay double."
3. Job 42:10: "And the Lord turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends: also the Lord gave Job twice as much as he had before."
   a. HEB: "...Added all that had been to Job unto the double."
   b. Verse 12: "So the Lord blessed the latter end of Job more than his beginning: for he had fourteen thousand sheep, and six thousand camels, and a thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand she asses."
4. Zechariah 9:12 (NKJV): "Return to the stronghold, you prisoners of hope. Even today I declare that I will restore double to you."

C. The Hundredfold Return

1. Genesis 26:12-13: "Then Isaac sowed in that land, and received in the same year an hundredfold: and the Lord blessed him. And the man waxed great, and went forward, and grew until he became very great."
2. 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."
3. Mark 10:28-30: "Then Peter began to say unto him, Lo, we have left all, and have followed thee. 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, but he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time,

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houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life."

You've got to get under the curse to decrease.
And you've got to get under THE BLESSING to increase.
—Gloria Copeland

D. One Thousand Times More

1. Deuteronomy 1:11: "The Lord God of your fathers make you a thousand times so many more as ye are, and bless you, as he hath promised you!"
2. Isaiah 60:22: "A little one shall become a thousand, and a small one a strong nation: I the Lord will hasten it in his time."
3. How will God make you a thousand times more? *(See Oral Roberts' original notes, attached.)*
    a. You shall possess the land.
    b. You shall be the head and not the tail.
    c. No weapon formed against you shall prosper.
    d. God's miracle and healing power will increase.
    e. You shall renew your strength like the eagles.
    f. You are God's property.
    g. As you seed your tithes to God, you shall "Prove the Lord."
        i. He will pour you out a blessing.
        ii. He will rebuke the devourer.
    h. God will never leave you or forsake you.
        i. You shall call those things that be not as though they are.

E. Ezekiel 16:7—Bonus Scripture

1. AMPC: "I caused you [Israel] to multiply as the bud which grows in the field, and you increased and became tall and you came to full maidenhood and beauty."
2. HEB—I have made thee a million.

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The Spirit of Increase

Marked for Increase

Day #266

A. Genesis 1:28—THE BLESSING Imparted to Man

1. "And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth."
2. *Blessed* (HEB) = Empowered to prosper and increase
3. THE BLESSING is an empowerment that comes upon our lives which can be seen by others.
4. We are marked for increase.
5. Psalm 67:5-7 (MSG): "God! Let people thank and enjoy you. Let all people thank and enjoy you. Earth, display your exuberance! You mark us with blessing, O God, our God. You mark us with blessing, O God."

B. Genesis 14:18-20—Abraham Was Marked for Increase

1. "And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he was the priest of the most high God. And he blessed him, and said, Blessed be Abram of the most high God, possessor of heaven and earth: And blessed be the most high God, which hath delivered thine enemies into thy hand. And he gave him tithes of all."
2. Melchizedek recognized that Abraham was blessed.
3. There were obvious results in his life that indicated the blessing of increase was upon him.
4. The Spirit of Increase was all over Abraham.
5. Genesis 24:1: "Abraham was old, and well stricken in age: and the Lord had blessed Abraham in all things."
    a. Verse 35 (NIV): "The Lord has blessed my master abundantly, and he has become wealthy. He has given him sheep and cattle, silver and gold, male and female servants, and camels and donkeys."
    b. Genesis 13:2: "Abram was very rich in cattle, in silver, and in gold."

C. Genesis 26:12-14—Isaac Was Marked for Increase

1. "Then Isaac sowed in that land, and received in the same year an hundredfold: and the Lord blessed him. And the man waxed great, and went forward, and grew until he became very great: For he had possession of flocks, and possession of herds, and great store of servants: and the Philistines envied him."
2. The Spirit of Increase was so evident that it caused his enemies to envy him.

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3. Verses 26-29 (NLT): "One day King Abimelech came from Gerar with his adviser, Ahuzzath, and also Phicol, his army commander. 'Why have you come here?' Isaac asked. 'You obviously hate me, since you kicked me off your land.' They replied, 'We can plainly see that the Lord is with you. So we want to enter into a sworn treaty with you. Let's make a covenant. Swear that you will not harm us, just as we have never troubled you. We have always treated you well, and we sent you away from us in peace. And now look how the Lord has blessed you!'"

D. Zechariah 8:13—We Are Marked by Increase

1. NLT: "I will rescue you and make you both a symbol and a source of blessing."
2. If The Spirit of Increase is on us, we will succeed no matter where we live and in spite of the economy.
3. We could live in the darkest, most remote part of the world, but if The Spirit of Increase was upon us, we would flourish.
4. People may not know what to call it, but they would know there is something different about us.
5. Psalm 1:3 (AMPC): "Everything he does shall prosper."

It doesn't matter what's happening in the world,
because you are a marked man!
—Gloria Copeland

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The Spirit of Increase

Positioned for Increase

Day #267

A. Deuteronomy 8:10-14—Keep Covenant With God

1. "When thou hast eaten and art full, then thou shalt bless the Lord thy God for the good land which he hath given thee. Beware that thou forget not the Lord thy God, in not keeping his commandments, and his judgments, and his statutes, which I command thee this day: Lest when thou hast eaten and art full, and hast built goodly houses, and dwelt therein; and when thy herds and thy flocks multiply, and thy silver and thy gold is multiplied, and all that thou hast is multiplied; then thine heart be lifted up, and thou forget the Lord thy God, which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage."
2. 2 Chronicles 26:5—As long as King Uzziah sought the Lord, he prospered.
3. Deuteronomy 28:2: "And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God."

B. Isaiah 1:19—Walk in Obedience

1. "If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land."
2. Job 36:11: "If they obey and serve him, they shall spend their days in prosperity, and their years in pleasures."
3. Obedience to the written and specific Word opens the door to supernatural increase.

C. Psalm 1:1-3—Give God's Word First Place

1. "Blessed is the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful. But his delight is in the law of the Lord; and in his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper."
2. Putting God's Word first place in your life will create an inner image of increase.
3. "If you can conceive it, then you can receive it." —Jerry Savelle, *Increase God's Way*

D. Proverbs 10:4—Hard Work and Diligence

1. "He becometh poor that dealeth with a slack hand: but the hand of the diligent maketh rich."
2. Proverbs 13:11 (NKJV): "Wealth gained by dishonesty will be diminished, but he who gathers by labor will increase."

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3. Proverbs 12:24 (AMPC): "The hand of the diligent will rule, but the slothful will be put to forced labor."
4. Deuteronomy 28:8 (AMPC): "The Lord shall command the blessing upon you in your storehouse and in all that you undertake."
5. "God don't bless lazy Christians." —Norvel Hayes

E. Proverbs 3:9-10—Give to God

1. AMPC: "Honor the Lord with your capital and sufficiency [from righteous labors] and with the firstfruits of all your income (KJV=*Increase);* so shall your storage places be filled with plenty, and your vats shall be overflowing with new wine."
2. How do we honor God with our finances?
   a. Malachi 3:10 (AMPC): "Bring all the tithes (the whole tenth of your income) into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house, and prove Me now by it, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."
   b. Proverbs 11:24-25 (AMPC): "There are those who [generously] scatter abroad, and yet increase more; there are those who withhold more than is fitting or what is justly due, but it results only in want. The liberal person shall be enriched, and he who waters shall himself be watered."
3. We must honor God with our finances right where we are.
   a. Don't wait for your ship to come in.
   b. Begin today.
   c. Open the door for The Spirit of Increase by tithing and sowing.

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The Spirit of Increase

The Law of Increase

Day #268

A. Mark 4:24-25—The Law of Increase

1. "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. For he that hath, to him shall be given: and he that hath not, from him shall be taken even that which he hath."
2. These verses are absolutely crucial for those who desire a life of prosperity.
3. They capture a law that governs everything in the kingdom of God.
4. We will never experience increase unless we understand this law.
5. First, we must understand the significance of the word, hear.

B. Luke 6:46-49—How Do You Measure the Word?

1. "And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say? Whosoever cometh to me, and heareth my sayings, and doeth them, I will show you to whom he is like: He is like a man which built an house, and digged deep, and laid the foundation on a rock: and when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house, and could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock. But he that heareth, and doeth not, is like a man that without a foundation built an house upon the earth; against which the stream did beat vehemently, and immediately it fell; and the ruin of that house was great."
2. Two people heard the same Word.
   a. One valued the Word and acted on it.
   b. The other didn't value the Word and ignored it.
3. Both received exactly what they expected.
4. Jesus basically said, "Be careful how you hear, because when I deal with you, I will be using your measuring stick—not Mine."
5. How you measure the Word is how it will be measured back to you.
   a. If we hear the Word of increase and measure it with faith, we will increase.
   b. If we hear the Word of increase and measure it with skepticism and doubt, we will decrease.

C. Mark 4:20—The Parable of the Sower

1. "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."
2. Why is it that some receive one kind of return and some another?

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3. Does God just arbitrarily give greater blessings to one person than He gives to someone else?
4. Absolutely not!
    a. He measures the blessing back to us according to the way we measure the Word.
    b. Mark 4:24 (AMPC): "And He said to them, Be careful what you are hearing. The measure [of thought and study] you give [to the truth you hear] will be the measure [of virtue and knowledge] that comes back to you—and more [besides] will be given to you who hear."
5. Our increase depends on how much thought, study and attention we give God's Word in this area.
    a. We must give God's Word first place in our heart.
    b. We must receive it by faith instead of doubt.
    c. We must be willing to defend it when the devil tries to steal it.

The Lord is just waiting on your faith!
—Gloria Copeland

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The Spirit of Increase

Increase Through Wealth Transfer

Day #269

A. "Financial Inversion Shall Increase in These Days" —Word from the Lord through Charles Capps, February 1, 1978

1. "Financial inversion shall increase in these days. For you see, it is My desire to move in the realm of your financial prosperity. But release Me," saith the Lord, "release Me that I may come in your behalf and move on your behalf.
2. "For yes, there shall be in this hour financial distress here and there. The economy shall go up and it will go down; but those who learn to walk in the Word, they shall see the prosperity of the Word come forth in this hour in a way that has not been seen by men in days past.
3. "Yes, there's coming a financial inversion in the world's system. It's been held in reservoirs of wicked men for days on end. But the end is nigh.
4. "Those reservoirs shall be tapped and shall be drained into the gospel of Jesus Christ.
5. "It shall be done in the time allotted and so shall it be that the Word of the Lord shall come to pass that the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just."

B. "The Largest, Most Significant Wealth Transfer" —Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, March 8, 2012

1. "The largest, most significant transfer of property, goods, wealth and people from the hands of the devil into the hands of God's people who are prepared to receive it....
2. "I am telling you, the biggest transfer of property in the history of mankind has just begun and it is swinging into....
3. "It has moved over into its final stage, saith The LORD.
4. "And those who will listen to Me and follow Me and trust Me—those who I have taught My WORD and have given the authority to walk in these things, it is the most outstanding thing that human eyes have ever seen.
5. "And the time is now. Your time has come. Your hour has come. So rise and do those things by faith that you know to do and all that belongs to heaven will come into your hands for your joy."

C. Excerpts from *Supernatural Wealth Transfer* by Bill Winston

1. "[God is] restoring the earth back into the hands of its rightful owners, as well as restoring the power or Blessing to govern it. Because of Adam's sin, the earth was not in the hands of God's family. Now, God is working His redemptive plan to get it all back...what I refer to as a SUPERNATURAL transfer of wealth.

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2. "One of the major things coming in this hour is an EXPLOSION OF WEALTH in the Body of Christ. Through divine favor, witty inventions and the grace of giving, we are at the season of the greatest WEALTH TRANSFER in the history of this planet. There will be inventions that make the iPhone seem like child's play.
3. "We are even going to see money supernaturally transfer into the bank accounts of the people of God. Why the transfer of wealth? Mainly for the advancing of the kingdom and bringing in the end-time harvest of souls. God needs the wealth in our hands to fulfill the call that is on our lives for this generation—to reclaim what Jesus redeemed."

D. Wealth Transfer Scriptures

1. Proverbs 13:22 (AMPC): "A good man leaves an inheritance [of moral stability and goodness] to his children's children, and the wealth of the sinner [finds its way eventually] into the hands of the righteous, for whom it was laid up."
2. Ecclesiastes 2:26 (NLT): "God gives wisdom, knowledge, and joy to those who please him. But if a sinner becomes wealthy, God takes the wealth away and gives it to those who please him. This, too, is meaningless—like chasing the wind."
3. Proverbs 22:22-23 (NIV-84): "Do not exploit the poor because they are poor and do not crush the needy in court, for the LORD will take up their case and will exact life for life."
4. Job 27:16-17 (NLT): "Evil people may have piles of money and may store away mounds of clothing. But the righteous will wear that clothing, and the innocent will divide that money."
    a. Verse 19 (NLT): "The wicked go to bed rich but wake to find that all their wealth is gone."
5. Proverbs 28:8 (AMPC): "He who by charging excessive interest and who by unjust efforts to get gain increases his material possession gathers it for him [to spend] who is kind and generous to the poor."

E. Wealth Transfer Testimony

1. A pastor was believing for the land next to his church.
2. The owner purchased it for $1,200,000 in 2007.
3. He would sell it to the pastor for $600,000.
4. The pastor faithfully sowed seed for the purchase of the property for two years.
5. Recently, the owner came to the pastor and said, "I am older now and don't want the property. I decided to donate it to your church (complete with a hotel!)."

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The Spirit of Increase

Increase by Association

Day #270

A. Proverbs 13:20—The Spiritual Law of Association

1. NKJV: "He who walks with wise men will be wise, but the companion of fools will be destroyed."
2. AMPC: "He who walks [as a companion] with wise men is wise, but he who associates with [self-confident] fools is [a fool himself and] shall smart for it."
3. Who we associate with has a profound impact on our life.
   a. When we walk with negative people, we will be negative.
   b. When we walk with positive people, we will be positive.
4. It has everything to do with our destiny.
5. It also directly impacts the kind of increase we will experience.

B. Numbers 11:28—Moses and Joshua

1. Joshua was a faithful servant to Moses.
2. NIV—Joshua son of Nun, had been Moses' aid since youth.
   a. NLT—Assistant
   b. NASB—Attendant
   c. DRB—Minister
3. Exodus 33:11: "And the Lord spake unto Moses face to face, as a man speaketh unto his friend. And he turned again into the camp: but his servant Joshua, the son of Nun, a young man, departed not out of the tabernacle."
4. Numbers 27:18-20 (AMPC): "The Lord said to Moses, Take Joshua son of Nun, a man in whom is the Spirit, and lay your hand upon him; and set him before Eleazar the priest and all the congregation and give him a charge in their sight. And put some of your honor and authority upon him, that all the congregation of the Israelites may obey him."
5. Joshua's association with Moses caused the same anointing, wisdom and leadership skills to come upon him.

THE BLESSING is the ability to increase in every situation.
—Gloria Copeland

C. Philippians 1:3-7—Paul and the Church at Philippi

1. "I thank my God upon every remembrance of you, always in every prayer of mine for you all making request with joy, for your fellowship in the gospel from the first day until

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now; being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ: Even as it is meet for me to think this of you all, because I have you in my heart; inasmuch as both in my bonds, and in the defence and confirmation of the gospel, ye all are partakers of my grace."

2. Verse 5—*Fellowship* can also be translated *partnership* or *association*.
3. Because of their association from the beginning of his ministry, the Church partook of Paul's grace and anointing.
4. Philippians 4:19: "But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus."
    a. This scripture was birthed out of an association.
    b. Paul was writing to his partners—people to whom he had ministered.
    c. They valued and appreciated what he taught them.
5. They experienced The Spirit of Increase through their association with the Apostle Paul.

D. To the Partners of Kenneth Copeland Ministries

1. This same principle applies to us.
2. We are partakers through our association with this ministry.
3. We can walk in the same grace and anointing as Kenneth and Gloria.
    a. The Spirit of faith
    b. Our authority as believers
    c. Knowing who we are in Christ
    d. Understanding the laws that govern supernatural abundance and prosperity
4. The Spirit of Increase is upon this ministry.
5. As Partners, the same Spirit of Increase is upon us.

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Going Up—Promotion God's Way

God's Will Is Promotion

Day #271

Wherever anyone is, promotion is available.
—Gloria Copeland

A. Deuteronomy 28—THE BLESSING of Abraham

1. In preparation for this series, I've been praying over our congregation, Partners and Friends.
   a. They receive better jobs and the best-paying jobs.
   b. They experience continual promotion on their jobs.
   c. They run the companies they work for.
2. They eventually have their own companies or ministries.
3. The Lord prospers us through the work that we do.
4. Verse 8: "The Lord shall command the blessing upon thee in thy storehouses, and in all that thou settest thine hand unto; and he shall bless thee in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee."
   a. Because you are blessed, that place you're at is blessed.
   b. If you've got a job, it's important. Use your faith there. Do the best you can do and favor will come to you.
5. Verse 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."
   a. That means that your hands have done some work.

B. Psalm 90:17—He Wants Us to Experience Overwhelming Success

1. Verse 17 (NLT): "And may the Lord our God show us his approval and make our efforts successful."
2. GW: "…Make us successful in everything we do."
3. Joshua 1:8 (NIV-84): "Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful."
   a. If you're a born-again, Spirit-filled believer, you are a success.
   b. You have to walk out that success.
4. 3 John 2 (AMPC): "Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in every way and [that your body] may keep well, even as [I know] your soul keeps well and prospers."
5. *To prosper* (GK) = To succeed in reaching a goal

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C. Psalm 75:5-7—God's Will Is Promotion

1. "Lift not up your horn on high: speak not with a stiff neck. For promotion cometh neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the south. But God is the judge: he putteth down one, and setteth up another."
2. Verses 6-7 (TLB): "For promotion and power come from nowhere on earth, but only from God. He promotes one and deposes another."
3. *Promotion* (HEB) = To lift up, to raise up, to elevate, to exalt
4. *Promotion* (merriam-webster.com) = The act of being raised up in position or rank; to ascend, advance, upgrade
5. You can't be doing things that are wrong and expect promotion. You have to qualify for promotion.
6. Renew your mind to the Word and start seeing yourself being promoted.
7. God wants you to experience continual promotion and advancement.

You must be worthy of being promoted.
You have to give God something to work with.
—Gloria Copeland

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Going Up—Promotion God's Way

Prosperity and Promotion

Day #272

Do not despise where you are. Keep moving in the will of God and the will of God will promote you.
—Gloria Copeland

A. Psalm 75:5-7—God's Will Is Promotion

1. "Lift not up your horn on high: speak not with a stiff neck. For promotion cometh neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the south. But God is the judge: he putteth down one, and setteth up another."
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4. *Promotion* (merriam-webster.com) = The act of being raised up in position or rank; To ascend, advance, upgrade
5. Your attitude and actions are keys to receiving.
    a. Your work speaks for itself.
    b. Doing what you are told to do is key.
    c. Don't give up or be weary in well-doing.
6. Be a good steward of the things God has given you.
7. God wants you to experience continual promotion.

B. Luke 19:16-17—Prosperity Always Accompanies Promotion

1. This is the account of the parable of the talents.
2. Verses 16-17 (NLT): "The first servant reported, 'Master, I invested your money and made ten times the original amount!' 'Well done!' the king exclaimed. 'You are a good servant. You have been faithful with the little I entrusted to you, so you will be governor of ten cities as your reward.'"
3. The servant most likely received a major raise and a generous bonus in light of his promotion.
4. It is the will of God for all of us to receive major raises and generous bonuses as a result of being promoted.
5. *Promotion* means "to exalt" (GK = to raise to the very summit of opulence and prosperity).

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C. Matthew 25:21 (NKJV)—You Were Faithful Over a Few Things, I Will Make You Ruler Over Many Things

1. Jim Skinner started with McDonald's in 1971 as a restaurant manager trainee. He became CEO in November 2004.
2. Brian Dunn started with Best Buy in 1985 as a sales associate when there were only 12 stores operating. He was named director and CEO in 2009.
3. Jack Welch came to General Electric as a junior engineer in 1960. He was named CEO of the company in 1981.
4. Anne Mulcahy started out as a field sales representative at Xerox Corporation in 1976. She was named CEO in August 2001 and then chairman in January 2002.
5. Ursula Burns began at Xerox in the summer of 1980 as a mechanical engineering intern. She became CEO in June 2009 and chairman in May 2010.
6. Samuel Palisano hired on at IBM in 1973 when he was 22. He became CEO in March 2002 and chairman of the company in January 2003.
7. Rex Tillerson started as a production engineer with Exxon in 1975. He was named chairman and CEO of the company in January 2006.

To be prosperous is to excel at something desirable.
—Kenneth Copeland

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Going Up—Promotion God's Way

God's System of Promotion

Day #273

You have to start where you are.
The Word will work with you if you will work with it.
—Gloria Copeland

A. Psalm 75:5-7—Promotion Comes From God

1. "Lift not up your horn on high: speak not with a stiff neck. For promotion cometh neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the south. But God is the judge: he putteth down one, and setteth up another."
2. Verses 6-7 (TLB): "For promotion and power come from nowhere on earth, but only from God. He promotes one and deposes another."
3. Godly promotion is Kingdom advancement in position and responsibility.

B. Genesis 11:4—The World's System of Promotion

1. Verse 4: "Let us build us a city and tower, whose top may reach unto heaven, and let us make us a name."
2. In the world, people endeavor to promote themselves.
3. They push one another aside as they climb the corporate ladder.
4. They have no regard for God or others.
5. Isaiah 14:12-15 (NIV-84): "How you have fallen from heaven, O morning star, son of the dawn! You have been cast down to the earth, you who once laid low the nations! You said in your heart, 'I will ascend to heaven; I will raise my throne above the stars of God; I will sit enthroned on the mount of assembly, on the utmost heights of the sacred mountain. I will ascend above the tops of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High.' But you are brought down to the grave, to the depths of the pit."
    a. Ezekiel 28:17 (NLT): "Your heart was filled with pride because of all your beauty. Your wisdom was corrupted by your love of splendor. So I threw you to the ground and exposed you to the curious gaze of kings."
    b. Pride is the basis of the world's system of promoting itself.
    c. Proverbs 3:35: "The wise shall inherit glory: but shame shall be the promotion of fools."

C. Genesis 12—God's System of Promotion

1. Verses 1-2 (AMPC): "Now [in Haran] the Lord said to Abram, Go for yourself [for your own advantage] away from your country, from your relatives and your father's house, to

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the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you [with abundant increase of favors] and make your name famous and distinguished, and you will be a blessing [dispensing good to others]."

   a. Your prosperity is on the other side of your obedience.

2. God is the Source of your advancement and promotion.
3. 1 Corinthians 12:18: "But now hath God set the members every one of them in the body, as it hath pleased him."
4. "He sets me wherever it pleases Him."
5. Philippians 2:1-4 (MSG): "If you've gotten anything at all out of following Christ, if his love has made any difference in your life, if being in a community of the Spirit means anything to you, if you have a heart, if you care—then do me a favor: Agree with each other, love each other, be deep-spirited friends. Don't push your way to the front; don't sweet-talk your way to the top. Put yourself aside, and help others get ahead. Don't be obsessed with getting your own advantage. Forget yourselves long enough to lend a helping hand."

Instead of us making a way for ourselves, we make a way for God to move.
—Gloria Copeland

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Going Up—Promotion God's Way

Promotion Starts With the Heart

Day #274

A. 1 Samuel 16:1-5—The Search for a New King

1. God rejected Saul as king.
2. Samuel was sent by God to Jesse to locate a new king from among his sons.
3. Verse 3 (NKJV): "You shall anoint for Me the one I name to you."
4. God was looking for the right person to replace Saul.
5. God lifts up one and puts down another.
6. God will use people to get you into the position that He has for you.
7. Psalm 75:10 (TLB): "'I will cut off the strength of evil men,' says the Lord, 'and increase the power of good men in their place.'"

B. 1 Samuel 16:6-10—The Lineup

1. Verse 6—Eliab must be the one!
2. Verse 7: "But the Lord said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for the Lord seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the Lord looketh on the heart."
3. Verse 7 (MSG): "But God told Samuel, 'Looks aren't everything. Don't be impressed with his looks and stature. I've already eliminated him. God judges persons differently than humans do. Men and women look at the face; God looks into the heart.'"
4. Verses 8-10—The Lord passed on all of his other sons.
5. In spite of their appearance, further study of each son reveals hidden character flaws that disqualified them.

C. 1 Samuel 16:11-13—God's Choice for Promotion

1. Verse 11—The youngest son was keeping the sheep.
2. Verse 12—"The Lord said, Arise, anoint him: for this is he."
3. Verse 13—The Spirit of the Lord came on David when Samuel anointed him.
4. Acts 13:22: "I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after mine own heart, which shall fulfill all my will."
    a. David had in his heart what it took to be promoted.
    b. His desire was to fulfill the will of God.
    c. What's in your heart is so important! Why? Because that's you.

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5. David was not pursuing promotion.
    a. Promotion found him because he was pursuing God.
    b. His promotion was the result of what was in his heart.
    c. If God can locate an obscure shepherd and promote him, He can surely place us where He needs us to be.

As we grow in the Word and in faith, God positions us for increase.
—Gloria Copeland

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Promotion Is a Result

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If it's your job, it's important, and you treat it that way.
—Gloria Copeland

A. Matthew 6:33—Promotion Is a Result, Not a Goal

1. AMPC: "But seek (aim at and strive after) first of all His kingdom and His righteousness (His way of doing and being right), and then all these things taken together will be given you besides."
2. Promotion is not something we seek.
3. Promotion is something we reap.
4. Galatians 6:7-9 (NKJV): "Whatever a man sows, that he will also reap."
5. We first seek the ways of the Kingdom.
6. Promotion is added to us as a result.
7. The Lord is always getting us ready for the next promotion coming up.
    a. The Lord will mentor us through the Word of God.
    b. If we don't grow, we stagnate.

B. Acts 13:22—David's Promotion Was the Result of David's Character

1. Verse 22: "I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after mine own heart, which shall fulfil all my will."
2. 1 Samuel 16:11: "Samuel said unto Jesse, Are here all thy children? And he said, There remaineth yet the youngest, and, behold, he keepeth the sheep."
3. David had five necessary prerequisites to be promoted.

C. Prerequisites for Promotion

1. A servant's heart
2. Humility
3. Diligence
4. Faithfulness
5. Integrity

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Prerequisites for Promotion: A Servant's Heart

Day #276

A. 1 Samuel 16—David Had a Servant's Heart

1. He served his father by taking care of his sheep in the field.
2. He served King Saul, in spite of the attacks on his life.
3. He continually referred to himself to God as, "Thy servant."
   a. Psalm 116:16: "O Lord, truly I am thy servant."
   b. Psalm 119:17: "Deal bountifully with thy servant, that I may live, and keep thy word."
4. God referred to David as "His servant."
   a. 2 Kings 8:18-19: "[Joram] did evil in the sight of the Lord. Yet, the Lord would not destroy Judah for David His servant's sake, as He promised him."
5. David maintained a servant's heart even when he sinned.
   a. 1 Chronicles 21:8: "David said unto God, I have sinned greatly, because I have done this thing: but now, I beseech thee, do away the iniquity of thy servant; for I have done very foolishly."
   b. David's heart to serve opened the door for him to be promoted.
   c. It kept the door open for him to stay promoted.

B. Matthew 20:20-28—The Vital Role of Servanthood in Promotion

1. Matthew 20:20-23 (NLT)—The mother of James and John asked for her sons to have top positions in Jesus' kingdom.
2. Matthew 20:24-28 (NLT): "When the ten other disciples heard what James and John had asked, they were indignant. But Jesus called them together and said, 'You know that the rulers in this world lord it over their people, and officials flaunt their authority over those under them. But among you it will be different. Whoever wants to be a leader among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first among you must become your slave. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many.'"
3. Luke 22:27 (NLT)—Jesus declared, "I am among you as one who serves."

C. Philippians 2:5-9—The Attitude of a Servant

1. Verses 5-9: "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of

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men: And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name."

2. Verse 5 (JBP): "Let Christ himself be your example as to what your attitude should be."
3. Verse 9—Jesus was highly exalted (promoted) as a result of His servanthood.

Promotion begins on the inside.
Having a servant's heart is vital to your promotion.
If you're a good servant, you'll do what you're told.
—Gloria Copeland

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Prerequisites for Promotion: Humility

Day #277

Pride sets you up for a fall.
Humility will set you up for honor.
—Gloria Copeland

A. Proverbs 18—Humility Always Precedes Promotion

1. Verse 12 (AMPC): "Haughtiness comes before disaster, but humility before honor."
2. Proverbs 29:23 (AMPC): "A man's pride will bring him low, but he who is of a humble spirit will obtain honor."
3. James 4:10: "Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and he will lift you up."
   a. NLT: "…He will lift you up in honor."
   b. GW: "…He will give you a high position."
   c. AMPC: "…He will lift you up and make your lives significant."

B. 1 Peter 5:5-7—Be Clothed With Humility

1. Verses 5-7: "Likewise, ye younger, submit yourselves unto the elder. Yea, all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility: for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble. Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time: Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you."
2. *Exalt* (GK)
   a. To lift up high
   b. To raise to the very summit of opulence and prosperity
3. Humble yourself under the Word and the Word will promote you.
   a. Doing what God says is how you humble yourself.
   b. All you have to do is do what God tells you to do. That's how THE BLESSING comes. It's not a head thing. It's a heart thing.
4. Philippians 2:3-4 (NLT): "Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too."

C. The Wardrobe of Humility

1. Humility thinks of others first.
2. Humility is content behind the scenes.
3. Humility doesn't push its way to the front.

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4. Humility willingly submits.
5. Humility graciously receives correction.
6. Humility makes adjustments.
7. Humility doesn't ruin an apology with an excuse.
8. Humility expects nothing and appreciates everything.
9. Humility accepts responsibility and doesn't shift blame.
10. Humility is easy to live with, work with and be with.

You do what the Word of God says and that promotes you.
—Gloria Copeland

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Prerequisites for Promotion: Diligence

Day #278

When you do something, do it right.
—Gloria Copeland

A. *Diligence* Defined

1. Conscientious in one's work or duties
2. Industrious, hardworking, meticulous, thorough
3. Doing more than expected
4. Dependable, punctual
5. Constant, stable, focused

B. Proverbs 10—Diligent People Are Hard Workers

1. Verses 4-5 (NIV-84): "Lazy hands make a man poor, but diligent hands bring wealth. He who gathers crops in summer is a wise son, but he who sleeps during harvest is a disgraceful son."
2. Proverbs 10:26 (NLT): "Lazy people irritate their employers, like vinegar to the teeth or smoke in the eyes."
3. Proverbs 13:4 (TLB): "Lazy people want much but get little, while the diligent are prospering."

C. Proverbs 21—Diligent People Thoughtfully Plan

1. Verse 5 (NIV): "The plans of the diligent lead to profit as surely as haste leads to poverty."
2. NLT: "Good planning and hard work lead to prosperity, but hasty shortcuts lead to poverty."
3. TLB: "Steady plodding [plod = proceed slowly] brings prosperity, hasty speculation brings poverty."

D. Proverbs 22:29—Diligent People Serve Great Leaders

1. TLB: "Do you know a hardworking man? He shall be successful and stand before kings!"
2. NLT: "Do you see any truly competent workers? They will serve kings rather than working for ordinary people."
3. 1 Kings 11:28 (NLT): "Jeroboam was a very capable young man, and when Solomon saw how industrious he was, he put him in charge of the labor force from the tribes of Ephraim and Manasseh, the descendants of Joseph."

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E. Proverbs 12—Diligent People Are Resourceful and Care for What They Have

1. Verse 27 (TLB): "A lazy man won't even dress the game he gets while hunting, but the diligent man makes good use of everything he finds."
2. NIV-84: "The lazy man does not roast his game, but the diligent man prizes his possessions."
3. Pastor Rick Renner would drive by the homes of associate pastors to inspect their garages.

F. Proverbs 12—Diligent People Become Great Leaders

1. Verse 24 (TLB): "Work hard and become a leader; be lazy and never succeed."
2. NIV: "Diligent hands will rule, but laziness ends in forced labor."
3. Genesis 41:37-45 (NLT): "Joseph's suggestions were well received by Pharaoh and his officials. So Pharaoh asked his officials, 'Can we find anyone else like this man so obviously filled with the spirit of God?' Then Pharaoh said to Joseph, 'Since God has revealed the meaning of the dreams to you, clearly no one else is as intelligent or wise as you are. You will be in charge of my court, and all my people will take orders from you. Only I, sitting on my throne, will have a rank higher than yours.' Pharaoh said to Joseph, 'I hereby put you in charge of the entire land of Egypt.' Then Pharaoh removed his signet ring from his hand and placed it on Joseph's finger. He dressed him in fine linen clothing and hung a gold chain around his neck. Then he had Joseph ride in the chariot reserved for his second-in-command. And wherever Joseph went, the command was shouted, 'Kneel down!' So Pharaoh put Joseph in charge of all Egypt. And Pharaoh said to him, 'I am Pharaoh, but no one will lift a hand or foot in the entire land of Egypt without your approval.' Then Pharaoh gave Joseph a new Egyptian name, Zaphenath-paneah. He also gave him a wife, whose name was Asenath. She was the daughter of Potiphera, the priest of On. So Joseph took charge of the entire land of Egypt."

Diligence is the door to THE BLESSING.
—Gloria Copeland

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Prerequisites for Promotion: Faithfulness

Day #279

A. Proverbs 20:6—Calling All Faithful People

1. Verse 6: "Most men will proclaim every one his own goodness: but a faithful man who can find?"
    a. NLT: "Many will say they are loyal friends, but who can find one who is truly reliable?"
    b. MSG: "Lots of people claim to be loyal and loving, but where on earth can you find one?"
2. God found a faithful man in David.
    a. 1 Samuel 22:14: "Then Ahimelech answered the king, and said, And who is so faithful among all thy servants as David, which is the king's son-in-law, and goeth at thy bidding, and is honourable in thine house?"
    b. David was the most faithful among all of King Saul's servants.
    c. CEV: "…Everyone in your family respects him."
3. Faithful people are located and promoted by God.
4. Promotion will chase after you and run you down, when you qualify for promotion.

B. Bible Characteristics of a Faithful Person

1. Proverbs 11:13 (NKJV): "A talebearer reveals secrets, but he who is of a faithful spirit conceals a matter."
    a. Faithful people can be trusted by those they serve.
    b. They can keep a confidence.
2. Proverbs 13:17 (NKJV): "A wicked messenger falls into trouble, but a faithful ambassador brings health."
    a. Faithful people are loyal to those they serve.
    b. They don't cheat, steal or abuse their position.
3. Proverbs 14:5: "A faithful witness will not lie: but a false witness will utter lies."
    a. Faithful people are truthful and honest.
    b. They don't lie, stretch or bend the truth.
4. Proverbs 25:13: "As the cold of snow in the time of harvest, so is a faithful messenger to them that send him: for he refresheth the soul of his masters."
    a. Faithful people are reliable and dependable.
    b. TLB: "A faithful employee is as refreshing as a cool day in the hot summertime."
5. 1 Corinthians 4:17 (author's paraphrase)—I am sending Timothy to help you. He is my

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beloved, trustworthy, faithful son in the Lord. He will remind you of what I teach about Christ Jesus to all the churches.

C. Faithfulness—A Major Key to Promotion

1. Matthew 25:21: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things."
2. Luke 16:10: "He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much."
    a. NLT-96: "Unless you are faithful in small matters, you won't be faithful in large ones."
    b. If you are faithful with others' money, you will be trusted with your own.
3. Proverbs 28:20 (AMPC): "A faithful man shall abound with blessings."
    a. NHEB: "A faithful man is rich with blessings."
    b. ISV: "The faithful man will prosper."

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Prerequisites for Promotion: Integrity

Day #280

A. Psalm 26—The Walk of Integrity

1. Verse 11 (NKJV): "But as for me, I will walk in my integrity."
2. Proverbs 20:6-7: "Most men will proclaim every one his own goodness: but a faithful man who can find? The just man walketh in his integrity: his children are blessed after him."
3. 2 Corinthians 3:2 (MSG): "Your very lives are a letter that anyone can read by just looking at you."
    a. We are being watched.
    b. Everyone is reading us like a book.
    c. They are studying our actions.
4. 2 Corinthians 8:21 (NLT): "We are careful to be honorable before the Lord, but also in the sight of men."
5. There is a greater demand for integrity from us because of Who we represent.

B. Psalm 15—Integrity Defined

1. Verses 1-5 (NLT): "Who may worship in your sanctuary, Lord? Who may enter your presence on your holy hill? Those who lead blameless lives and do what is right, speaking the truth from sincere hearts. Those who refuse to gossip or harm their neighbors or speak evil of their friends. Those who despise flagrant sinners, and honor the faithful followers of the Lord, and keep their promises even when it hurts. Those who lend money without charging interest, and who cannot be bribed to lie about the innocent. Such people will stand firm forever."
2. People of integrity keep their word.
3. "A faithful person consistently does what is right, even if it looks like it could be to his disadvantage. Psalm 106:3 says, 'Blessed are they who maintain justice, who constantly do what is right' (NIV-84)." —Gloria Copeland, *True Prosperity*
4. People of integrity do the right thing.
    a. They return a rental car in better shape.
    b. Gloria asked permission from a salesperson to use a safety pin.
    c. Kenneth gives airplanes in top shape.

C. Galatians 6:7—You Will Reap What You Sow

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

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2. People don't connect the dots.
3. They don't realize the connection between integrity and promotion.
4. Wal-Mart could start a Fortune 500 company with the money from goods stolen every year.
5. The walk of integrity will produce a harvest of promotion.
    a. A number of executives and business owners were asked to list the most important virtues they look for in key staff members.
    b. Their number one answer was "ethics."
    c. They consistently mentioned "honesty" and "conscience" as vital virtues that enable a company to succeed over the long haul.

You are on a path to promotion. You stick with God. He'll stick with you.
—Gloria Copeland

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Call in Your Harvest

Get Agressive About Your Harvest

Day #281

"You need to be a sower and a mower."
—Gloria Copeland

A. Genesis 41:46-49—Field Inspection

1. NLT: "He was thirty years old when he began serving in the court of Pharaoh, the king of Egypt. And when Joseph left Pharaoh's presence, he inspected the entire land of Egypt. As predicted, for seven years the land produced bumper crops. During those years, Joseph gathered all the crops grown in Egypt and stored the grain from the surrounding fields in the cities. He piled up huge amounts of grain like sand on the seashore. Finally, he stopped keeping records because there was too much to measure."
2. The Lord has been stirring my heart about reaping our harvest.
3. As a result, I have gone throughout all the land, inspecting every field at KCM and EMIC since the end of January.
4. Much seed has been sown and there is a huge harvest out there.
5. He told me to charge the staff and Partners to "call in the harvest." Our charge to you is to begin calling in your harvest!

B. Proverbs 10:5—The Fields Must Be Harvested

1. NLT: "A wise youth harvests in the summer, but one who sleeps during harvest is a disgrace."
2. I presented all the fields that needed to be harvested during the recent annual KCM board meeting.
3. Gloria shared with us about her grandfather's peach harvest.
4. "It was hard work during some very hot days. You would breathe the peach fuzz. But, we knew we had to harvest the peaches or they would rot."
5. "If you want to taste it, you'll need to harvest it!"

C. Matthew 11:12—Get Aggressive

1. Gloria then said, "We need to get real aggressive about harvesting."
2. I took that as a word from the Lord for all of us.
3. AMPC: "And from the days of John the Baptist until the present time, the kingdom of heaven has endured violent assault, and violent men seize it by force [as a

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precious prize—a share in the heavenly kingdom is sought with most ardent zeal and intense exertion]."

4. We can't let our harvest sit in the field.
5. Let's aggressively reap all of our harvest!

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Call in Your Harvest

Don't Give Up on Your Seed

Day #282

"Every seed you've ever planted is available if you haven't reaped it yet."
—Gloria Copeland

A. Get Aggressive About Reaping

1. The Lord has been stirring my heart about reaping our harvest.
2. I inspected all of the KCM and EMIC fields where seed has been sown.
3. I recently reported to the KCM board of directors that much seed has been sown and there is a huge harvest out there.
4. The Lord told me to charge the staff and Partners to "call in the harvest!"
5. At the board meeting, Gloria had a word from the Lord—"We need to get real aggressive about reaping our harvest."

B. Galatians 6:9—Don't Give Up On Your Seed

1. AMPC: "And let us not lose heart and grow weary and faint in acting nobly and doing right, for in due time and at the appointed season we shall reap, if we do not loosen and relax our courage and faint."
2. NLT: "…At just the right time we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don't give up."
3. Right after the board meeting, someone sent a very special gift to the ministry.
4. Gloria called and told me.
   a. "I am so tickled and excited about this."
   b. "George, this is part of our harvest.'
   c. Psalm 126:5-6 (NLT): "Those who plant in tears will harvest with shouts of joy. They weep as they go to plant their seed, but they sing as they return with the harvest."
   d. She was reaping in joy.
5. She spoke another word from the Lord—"Don't ever give up on your seed."

C. Psalm 20:3—God Never Forgets a Seed

1. NLT: "May he remember all your gifts and look favorably on your burnt offerings."
2. Acts 10:4 (AMPC): "And he [Cornelius], gazing intently at him, became frightened and said, What is it, Lord? And the angel said to him, Your prayers and your [generous] gifts to the poor have come up [as a sacrifice] to God and have been remembered by Him."

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3. God never forgets our seed and neither should we.
4. There is a harvest out there. We must not dig up our seed with our words.
5. Let's get out there and reap it!

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Call in Your Harvest

Reaping—The Missing Link

Day #283

"We sow the seed, God gives the increase, and WE reap the harvest"
—Pastor George Pearsons

A. Proverbs 10:5—A Major Correction

1. NLT: "A wise youth harvests in the summer, but one who sleeps during harvest is a disgrace."
2. Keith Moore gave a word from the Lord concerning EMIC's giving on September 28, 1999.
   a. "God's heart is grieved. It is bothering Him that we are not reaping. Some are disillusioned and aggravated with God. 'How much more can I give?'"
   b. "You think you are waiting on God. You think reaping is automatic. You think once you put the money in, it's all up to Him. You just sit back and relax and think it's all going to just come to you. That is ignorance and confusion."
   c. "I challenge you to hear the word of the Lord. Make up your mind and say, 'I am not just a good giver. I am a good reaper. I am going to get real good at reaping.'"
3. We need to get real aggressive about reaping our harvest.
4. Galatians 6:7 (NKJV): "Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap."

B. Genesis 8:22—Reaping: The Missing Link to Increase

1. AMPC: "While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease."
2. We received our correction and made the quality decision to become real good at reaping.
3. I studied Keith Moore's series, *Rules of Reaping*.
4. I conducted a three-day seminar at church about reaping.
5. Result: We have become much better reapers.

C. Joel 3:13—I Am a Harvester

1. NIV: "Swing the sickle, for the harvest is ripe…."
2. From "Get Your Mind on the Harvest" by Kenneth Copeland
   a. "If you haven't thought of yourself as a harvester before now, start thinking of yourself that way."
   b. "Renew your mind to the truth of God's WORD. Dare to believe The LORD of

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the Harvest is calling you to help Him bring in His end-time crops."

c. "He is speaking to you and saying, 'Until now, you have known Me as The LORD over your seed. You have known Me as your bread provider."

d. "But I want you to know Me now as LORD and Minister of the harvest."

3. "Jesus, we receive You as Lord and Minister of the Harvest."

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Rules of Reaping

Day #284

"Laws of abundance overcome the rules and laws of the world."
—Pastor George Pearsons

A. Proverbs 10:5—Reaping Is Not Automatic

1. NLT: "A wise youth harvests in the summer, but one who sleeps during harvest is a disgrace." Wisdom says harvest all that you have sown.
2. MSG: "…go fishing during harvest—that's stupid."
3. Harvesting takes effort on our part. It is not automatic.
    a. We must not sleep through our harvest.
    b. "You can't sleep and harvest at the same time." —Gloria Copeland
4. Proverbs 6:6-8 (MSG): "You lazy fool, look at an ant. Watch it closely; let it teach you a thing or two. Nobody has to tell it what to do. All summer it stores up food; at harvest it stockpiles provisions."
5. Galatians 6:7 (NKJV): "Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap."

B. Mark 4:26-29—Reaping Is Our Responsibility

1. Who did the sowing? The man.
2. Who did the growing? God gives the increase (1 Corinthians 3:6).
3. Who reaped the harvest? The man.
4. Verse 29 (MSG): "When the grain is fully formed, he reaps."
5. A farmer doesn't sit around at harvest time, expecting his crops to march out of the field and into the barn all by themselves.

C. Ecclesiastes 11:4—Reaping Requires Faith

1. AMPC: "He who observes the wind [and waits for all conditions to be favorable] will not sow, and he who regards the clouds will not reap."
2. NLT: "Farmers who wait for perfect weather never plant. If they watch every cloud, they never harvest."
3. People who continually look at negative conditions become discouraged and will fail to sow and reap.

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4. Galatians 6:9 (MSG): "So let's not allow ourselves to get fatigued doing good. At the right time we will harvest a good crop if we don't give up, or quit."
5. We continually harvest even during the toughest of times (Jeremiah 17:5-8).

"You can't quit sowing.
You can't quit saying.
You can't quit believing.
You can't quit harvesting.
This is the cycle of ABUNDANCE."
—Gloria Copeland and Pastor George Pearsons

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Call in Your Harvest

Tithing and Reaping

Day #285

"A good harvester is a tither."
—Gloria Copeland

A. Proverbs 3:9-10—A Successful Harvester Tithes

1. NKJV: "Honor the Lord with your possessions, and with the firstfruits of all your increase; So your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will overflow with new wine."
2. Tithing is not sowing.
3. Tithing is honoring God with the first 10 percent of your income.
4. Leviticus 27:30 (NKJV): "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 to the Lord."
5. People can't reap if they don't tithe. Your barns being filled is a result of the seed being sown.

B. Malachi 3:10-11—Tithing Protects Our Harvest

1. Tithing is the key to your seed being blessed.
2. Verse 10—He opens the windows of heaven and sends the rain on the seed that you have sown.
3. Verse 11: "I will rebuke the devourer [seed eaters, crop-destroying pests] for your sakes, and he shall not destroy [corrupt, spoil or ruin] the fruits of your ground; neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field."
4. Verse 11 (NIV-84): "'I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not cast their fruit,' says the Lord Almighty."
5. Verse 11 (NLT): "'Your crops will be abundant, for I will guard them from insects and disease. Your grapes will not fall from the vine before they are ripe,' says the Lord of Heaven's Armies."

C. A Farmer's Experiment in Tithing

—Condensed from *God Is My Landlord* by Raymond Jeffreys

Perry Hayden heard his pastor preach a message about tithing. He decided to try an experiment to see how much harvest a seed would produce.

His plan was to sow 1 cubic inch of wheat—360 kernels. He committed to the Lord that, for a period of six years, he would tithe 10 percent of the harvest and sow the rest.

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In the first year, it took a 4-foot by 8-foot plot of land to sow one cubic inch of seed. At harvest time, he scraped the ground to get every kernel of wheat. Every precious seed counted. The first year produced a fiftyfold harvest.

He tithed 10 percent.

In the second year, it took a 24' x 60' plot of land to sow the seed from the harvest of the first year.

He tithed 10 percent.

In the third year, it took three-quarters of an acre to sow. He tithed 10 percent.

In the fourth year, it took 14 acres to sow. He tithed 10 percent.

In the fifth year, it took 230 acres to sow. He tithed 10 percent.

By the sixth year, it took over 2,600 acres to sow 5,000 bushels.

Three hundred sixty kernels had turned into 55 billion. And the largest yield was only fiftyfold.

Mr. Hayden made $288,000 in six years, compared to the other farmers who only made an average of $21,000.

The experiment worked. God can bless your harvest when you tithe.

Because of the tithe, the devour is rebuked.

The devil cannot steal your harvest because you are a tither!

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Sowing and Reaping

Day #286

"You can't reap if you don't sow."
—Gloria Copeland

A. Galatians 6:7—A Successful Harvester Sows Seed

1. NKJV: "Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap."
2. AMPC: "Do not be deceived and deluded and misled; God will not allow Himself to be sneered at (scorned, disdained, or mocked by mere pretensions or professions, or by His precepts being set aside.) [He inevitably deludes himself who attempts to delude God.] For whatever a man sows, that and that only is what he will reap."
3. It is not "reaping and sowing;" it is "sowing and reaping."
4. In order to reap a harvest, you must sow a seed.
5. Every seed is attached to a harvest if you don't dig it up.

B. 2 Corinthians 9:6-8 (AMPC)—He Sows AND Reaps

1. Verse 6: "[Remember] this: he who sows sparingly and grudgingly will also reap sparingly and grudgingly, and he who sows generously [that blessings may come to someone] will also reap generously and with blessings."
2. Verse 7: "Let each one [give] as he has made up his own mind and purposed in his heart, not reluctantly or sorrowfully or under compulsion, for God loves (He takes pleasure in, prizes above other things, and is unwilling to abandon or to do without) a cheerful (joyous, "prompt to do it") giver [whose heart is in his giving]."
3. Verse 8: "And God is able to make all grace (every favor and earthly blessing) come to you in abundance, so that you may always and under all circumstances and whatever the need be self-sufficient [possessing enough to require no aid or support and furnished in abundance for every good work and charitable donation]."
4. When you give in sorrow, there is not faith there, so there is no return.
5. If you sow love, you will reap love. Faith works by love.

C. Qualities of a Good Sower

1. Verse 6—Generous (Proverbs 11:24-25—A liberal giver)

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2. Verse 7—Spirit-led (JBP—Let everyone give as his heart tells him.)
3. Verse 7—Obedient (Isaiah 1:19—Willing and obedient)
4. Verse 7—Cheerful (AMPC—Joyous, "prompt to do it" giver)
5. Verse 8—Results (AMPC—Furnished in abundance for every good work)

"Give, and it shall be given unto you…."
—Luke 6:38

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Call in Your Harvest

Maximize Your Harvest

Day #287

"Your harvest is determined by what you do while you are waiting for it."
—Jerry Savelle

A. Luke 6:38—Expect Your Seed to Grow—Miracle-Grow Your Harvest

1. You must sow the seed of the Word in faith, expecting it to grow.
   a. Live in a continual state of expectation.
   b. Never give up on your harvest.
2. Talk often about your harvest.
3. "I am expecting a record-breaking harvest."
4. ESV—"Give, and IT WILL be given to you."
5. Psalm 65:11 (NLT): "You crown the year with a bountiful harvest; even the hard pathways overflow with abundance."
6. Declare this: "I expect my harvest every time I sow my seed."

B. Psalm 67:5-6—Water Your Seed With Thanksgiving and Praise

1. "Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee. Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us."
2. Praise and thanksgiving help things move along, since praise and thanksgiving are the language of faith.
3. "The depth of your praise will determine the magnitude of your harvest." —Jerry Savelle
4. "Praise God, my seed always produces a bumper crop."
5. "Thank You, Lord, the hundredfold return is working for me all the time."

"What we say is what we sow."
—Gloria Copeland

C. Genesis 2:15—Keep the Weeds Out

1. "And the Lord God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it."
2. *Keep* (HEB) = To put a hedge of thorns around it, to watch over it; to guard, protect and safeguard

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3. Weeds include unforgiveness, bitterness, strife—anything to do with walking outside of love.
4. You pull up the "weeds" and cast them out with your words.
5. "You are going to have to weed your own crop yourself. So get tough about it. When a little weed pops up, kill it! Don't hang on to it for even a moment. Pull it up by its roots. Spray it with the Word." —Kenneth Copeland, *From Faith to Faith*

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Call in Your Harvest

What Every Good Harvester Must Know

Day #288

A. John 4:35—A Good Harvester Knows When to Reap

1. MSG: "As you look around right now, wouldn't you say that in about four months it will be time to harvest? Well, I'm telling you to open your eyes and take a good look at what's right in front of you. These Samaritan fields are ripe. It's harvest time!"
2. The Holy Spirit will show us when the harvest is ripe.
3. Joy is a major indicator.
    a. Isaiah 9:3 (TLB): "For Israel will again be great, filled with joy like that of reapers when the harvesttime has come...."
    b. The closer the harvest, the more excited you become.
4. Exercise patience until the harvest is ready to reap.
5. Ecclesiastes 3:2 (MSG)—A right time to plant and another to reap
6. Keep speaking the Word and watering the Word.

B. Genesis 26:12—A Good Harvester Knows Where to Reap

1. MSG: "Isaac planted crops in that land and took in a huge harvest. God blessed him. The man got richer and richer by the day until he was very wealthy (This was during a time of famine)."
2. Luke 5:1-11—Peter nearly missed his harvest.
    a. Peter sowed his boat to Jesus to allow Him to preach.
    b. Jesus told him to let down the nets for his harvest.
    c. Peter let down his net—but reaped nonetheless.
3. The Lord will show you where your harvest is located. Harvest is:
    a. Opportunities and Favor
    b. Expansion
    c. Projects
    d. New jobs
4. Leviticus 26:9-10 (NKJV): "For I will look on you favorably and make you fruitful, multiply you and confirm My covenant with you. You shall eat the old harvest, and clear out the old because of the new."
    a. You can live IN the harvest and ON the harvest.
    b. This is THE BLESSING.

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C. Mark 10:29-30—A Good Harvester Knows to Reap It ALL

1. Verse 30: "But he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time."
2. *Receive* (GK) = To take; to seize, lay hold of, claim and procure
3. Don't leave anything out in the field.
4. Proverbs 27:23: "Be diligent to know the state of thy flocks and look well to thy herds."
    a. How much did you tithe last year?
    b. How much did you sow last year?
5. Go reap it ALL!

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Call in Your Harvest

How to Reap Your Harvest

Day #289

A. Mark 4:26-29—Put in the Sickle

1. Verse 29: "But when the fruit is brought forth, immediately he putteth in the sickle, because the harvest is come."
2. A sickle is a sharp instrument for cutting crops during harvest.
3. Our sickle is the Word of God coming out of our mouths.
4. Hebrews 4:12 (NLT): "For the word of God is alive and powerful. It is sharper than the sharpest two-edged sword, cutting between soul and spirit, between joint and marrow…."
5. Isaiah 49:2 (NKJV): "He has made my mouth like a sharp sword."
    a. We release faith with our words.
    b. The words we speak today dictate tomorrow's harvest.
    c. When you're speaking, you are sowing.

B. Isaiah 41:15—Our Spiritual Thresher

1. NKJV: "Behold, I will make you into a new threshing sledge with sharp teeth; you shall thresh the mountains and beat them small, and make the hills like chaff."
2. *Teeth* (HEB) = Mouths
    a. Our mouths are the instrument with which we reap our harvest.
3. We reap our harvest the same way we acquire anything else—by faith.
4. Our words of faith cut down the crops and bring in the harvest.
5. Mark 11:24: "Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that you receive them, and you shall have them."
    a. Take with much force
    b. Seize with a grip that cannot be shaken off

C. Romans 4:17—Command Your Harvest to Come

1. We call those things which be not as though they were.
2. *Call* (GK) = Summons, command to appear
3. Command your harvest to come to you.
4. Send out your harvesting angels.
    a. Psalm 103:20 (AMPC): "Bless (affectionately, gratefully praise) the Lord, you His angels, you mighty ones who do His commandments, hearkening to the voice of His word."
5. Mark 4:29 (AMPC): "But when the grain is ripe and permits, immediately he sends forth [the reapers] and puts in the sickle, because the harvest stands ready."

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Call in Your Harvest

Cry of the Harvest

Day #290

"As soon as you sow your seed, the harvest begins crying out for its rightful owner."
—Jerry Savelle

A. James 5:1-4—A Harvest Held Back

1. The harvest that belonged to them, from every seed they sowed, was being held back because of their adversary.
2. The harvest that belongs to us from every seed we have sown is being held back by our adversary.
3. It is time to let out the cry of the harvest.

B. James 5:4—The Cry of the Harvest

1. Verse 4: "Behold, the hire [or the harvest] of the laborers who have reaped down your fields, which is of you kept back by fraud, crieth: and the cries of them which have reaped [the harvest] are entered into the ears of the Lord of sabaoth."
2. There are two cries.
   a. The first cry is from the harvest (or the return) crying out for its rightful owner.
   b. The second cry is from the people whom the harvest rightfully belongs to.
3. The moment you sow your seed, your harvest is crying out, looking for its rightful owner.
4. The moment you sow your seed, you should be crying out for your harvest.
5. These two cries enter into the ears of the Lord of Hosts, armies and angels.

C. Matthew 18:18—Bind the Devil and Loose the Angels

1. Your harvest is crying out for you.
2. But, are you crying out for your harvest?

a. Cry does not mean to whine or act pitiful. It is a cry of faith.
b. It means to proclaim with vehemence.
c. It means to demand immediate action with aggressive force and passion.

3. "Satan, in the Name of Jesus, release my harvest!"
4. "Angels, go gather up it up NOW!"
5. "Do you hear that? It is my harvest crying out for me."

We need to release our faith and get excited about our harvest!

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Supernatural Wealth Transfer

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Day #291

A. Psalm 103:1-2—All of God's Covenant Blessings

1. AMPC: "Forget not [one of] all His benefits."
2. MSG: "Don't forget a single blessing."
3. "For all of you who will take My WORD and stand on it," saith The LORD, "the Kingdom is for you. The angels are for you. All of heaven's reserves are at your call."—word from the Lord through Brother Copeland, October 29, 2010
4. God wants us to take advantage of every provisional benefit.
5. One of those benefits is supernatural wealth transfer.

B. The Largest, Most Significant Wealth Transfer

Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, Branson Victory Campaign, March 8, 2012

1. "The largest, most significant transfer of property, goods, wealth and people from the hands of the devil into the hands of God's people who are prepared to receive it.
2. "I am telling you, the biggest transfer of property in the history of mankind has just begun and it is swinging into....
3. "It has moved over into its final stage, saith The LORD.
4. "And for those who will listen to Me and follow Me and trust Me—those who I have taught My WORD and have given the authority to walk in these things, it is the most outstanding thing that human eyes have ever seen.
5. "And the time is now. Your time has come. Your hour has come. So rise and do those things by faith that you know to do and all that belongs to heaven will come into your hands for your joy."

Don't leave anything on the table!
—Gloria Copeland

C. Financial Inversion Shall Increase in These Days

Word from the Lord through Charles Capps, February 1, 1978

"Financial inversion [inverted—turned upside down, reversal in position] shall increase in these days. For you see, it is My desire to move in the realm of your financial prosperity. But release Me, saith the Lord, release Me that I may come in your behalf and move on your behalf.

"For yes, yes, yes, there shall be in this hour financial distress here and there. The economy

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shall go up and it will go down; but those that learn to walk in the Word, they shall see the prosperity of the Word come forth in this hour in a way that has not been seen by men in days past.

"Yes, there's coming a financial inversion in the world's system. It's been held in reservoirs of wicked men for days on end. But the end is nigh. Those reservoirs shall be tapped and shall be drained into the gospel of Jesus Christ. It shall be done, saith the Lord. It shall be done in the time allotted and so shall it be that the word of the Lord shall come to pass that the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just.

"Predominantly in two ways shall it be done in this hour. Those that have hoarded up and stored because of the inspiration of the evil one and held the money from the gospel shall be converted and drawn into the kingdom. But many, many will not. They'll not heed the voice of the Word of God. They'll turn aside to this and they'll turn to that and they'll walk in their own ways, but their ways will not work in this hour. It'll dwindle and it'll slip away as though it were in bags with holes in them. It'll go here and it'll go there and they'll wonder why it's not working now. 'It worked in days past,' they'll say.

"But it shall be, saith the Lord, that the Word of the Lord shall rise within men—men of God of low esteem in the financial world—that shall claim the Word of God to be their very own and walk in the light of it as it has been set forth in the Word and give. They'll begin to give small at first because that's all they have, but then it will increase, and through the hundredfold return, so shall it be that the reservoirs that have held the riches in days past, so shall it return to the hands of the giver. Because of the hundredfold return shall the reservoirs be lost from the wicked and turned to the gospel. For it shall be, it shall be in this hour that you will see things that you've never dreamed come to pass. Oh, it'll be strong at first in ways, then it will grow greater and greater until men will be astounded and the world will stand in awe because the ways of men have failed and the ways of God shall come forth.

"As men walk in My Word, so shall they walk in the ways of the Lord. Oh yes, there will be some who say, 'Yes, but God's ways are higher, surely higher than our ways, and we can't walk in those.' It's true that the ways of God are higher. They are higher than your ways as the heavens are above the earth, but I'll teach you to walk in My ways. I never did say you couldn't walk in My ways. Now learn to walk in it. Learn to give. So shall the inversion of the financial system revert and so shall it be that the gospel of the kingdom shall be preached to all the world, and there shall be no lack in the kingdom. Those that give shall walk in the ways of the supernatural!

"They shall be known abroad. My Word shall spread and the knowledge of the Lord shall fill all the earth in the day and the hour in which ye stand. Ye shall see it and know it, for it is of Me, and it shall come to pass, saith the Lord."

"Heaven's release is continuing to increase."

Word from the Lord through Brother Copeland, December 31, 2011

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Supernatural Wealth Transfer

Walking in the Word

Day #292

A. Financial Inversion Shall Increase in These Days

Word from the Lord through Charles Capps, February 1, 1978

1. "Financial inversion shall increase in these days.
2. "For you see, it is My desire to move in the realm of your financial prosperity.
3. "But release Me, saith the Lord, release Me that I may come in your behalf and move on your behalf.
4. "For yes, yes, yes, there shall be in this hour financial distress here and there. The economy shall go up and it will go down.
5. "But those that learn to walk in the Word, they shall see the prosperity of the Word come forth in this hour in a way that has not been seen by men in days past."

B. Proverbs 4:7-8—Give God's Word First Place

1. AMPC: "The beginning of Wisdom is: get Wisdom (skillful and godly Wisdom)! [For skillful and godly Wisdom is the principal thing.] And with all you have gotten, get understanding (discernment, comprehension, and interpretation). Prize Wisdom highly and exalt her, and she will exalt and promote you; she will bring you to honor when you embrace her."
    a. *Principal*—first in importance, the main thing
    b. God's Word is His wisdom.
2. "God's Word is His wisdom. Giving the Word first place in your life is the only way that His wisdom can obtain its rightful position. The Bible is God's wisdom written for man. He has sent His Word to you so you can operate in His wisdom on the earth. Put the Word first in your life and exalt it, and it will exalt and promote you." —*God's Will for You—Expanded Legacy Edition,* Gloria Copeland
3. Proverbs 4:20-22 (AMPC): "My son, attend to my words; consent and submit to my sayings. Let them not depart from your sight; keep them in the center of your heart. For they are life to those who find them, healing and health to all their flesh."
4. You give the Word first place in your life by arranging your schedule around the Word instead of trying to make the Word fit into your busy schedule.
    a. Gloria read the Gospels and the book of Acts three times in 30 days, right after moving to Tulsa, Okla., while looking after her children and unpacking their house.
    b. Gloria got up at 5:30 a.m. and read until everyone got up, and read during the children's naps.

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   c. She accomplished this as well as painting and antiquing four pieces of furniture, finishing the accumulated ironing, and getting the house in order.
5. Matthew 6:33: "Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."
   a. Give the Word time.
   b. Give the Word attention.

"The Word of God is healing to your finances."
—Gloria Copeland

C. Psalm 34:10—Make God's Word Final Authority

1. AMPC: "The young lions lack food and suffer hunger, but they who seek (inquire of and require) the Lord [by right of their need and on the authority of His Word], none of them shall lack any beneficial thing."
2. Romans 13:1 (AMPC): "…There is no authority except from God."
3. Making God's Word final authority is believing what the Word says rather than believing people, Satan or circumstances.
   a. Believe you are what God's Word says you are.
   b. Believe you can do what God's Word says you can do.
   c. Believe you have what God's Word says you have.
4. Matthew 8:7-10: "And Jesus saith unto him, I will come and heal him. The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed. For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this man, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth it. When Jesus heard it, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, Verily I say unto you, I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel."
5. Make God's Word final authority by:
   a. Speaking the Word
   b. Meditating the Word
   c. Acting on the Word
   d. Making God's Word the first word and the last word in every situation of your life

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The Wealth of the Sinner

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A. Financial Inversion Shall Increase in These Days

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2. "For yes, yes, yes, there shall be in this hour financial distress here and there. The economy shall go up and it will go down; but those that learn to walk in the Word, they shall see the prosperity of the Word come forth in this hour in a way that has not been seen by men in days past.
3. "Yes, there is coming a financial inversion in the world's system. It has been held in reservoirs of wicked men for days on end. But the end is nigh.
4. "Those reservoirs shall be tapped and shall be drained into the gospel of Jesus Christ. It shall be done, saith the Lord."
    a. A place where anything is collected in great amount
    b. A large or extra supply or stock; a reserve
    c. "Reservoirs are going to givers, the supporters of the gospel." —Gloria Copeland
5. "It shall be done in the time allotted and so shall it be that the word of the Lord shall come to pass that the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just."

B. Proverbs 13:22—The Wealth of the Sinner

1. AMPC: "A good man leaves an inheritance [of moral stability and goodness] to his children's children, and the wealth of the sinner [finds its way eventually] into the hands of the righteous, for whom it was laid up."
2. "A good person bequeaths his merits and wealth to his grandchildren. The sinner, however, leaves no inheritance, not even to his children; for his wealth is hidden away to be given to the righteous, as in the case of Haman, whose house and wealth were given to Mordechai." —From *Mishlei/Proverbs*
3. Esther 8:2 (NIV): "The king took off his signet ring, which he had reclaimed from Haman, and presented it to Mordecai. And Esther appointed him over Haman's estate."
4. Genesis 41:41-43 (NIV): "So Pharaoh said to Joseph, 'I hereby put you in charge of the whole land of Egypt.' Then Pharaoh took his signet ring from his finger and put it on Joseph's finger. He dressed him in robes of fine linen and put a gold chain around his neck. He had him ride in a chariot as his second-in-command, and people shouted before him, 'Make way!' Thus he put him in charge of the whole land of Egypt."

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5. Daniel 2:48 (NIV): "Then the king placed Daniel in a high position and lavished many gifts on him. He made him ruler over the entire province of Babylon and placed him in charge of all its wise men."

"It doesn't matter what you've done.
It matters what God has done for you!"
—Gloria Copeland

C. Ecclesiastes 2:26—The Wealth of the Sinner

1. AMPC: "For to the person who pleases Him God gives wisdom and knowledge and joy; but to the sinner He gives the work of gathering and heaping up, that he may give to one who pleases God."
2. NLT: "God gives wisdom, knowledge, and joy to those who please him. But if a sinner becomes wealthy, God takes the wealth away and gives it to those who please him."
3. Proverbs 22:22-23 (NIV-84): "Do not exploit the poor because they are poor and do not crush the needy in court, for the Lord will take up their case and will plunder those who plunder them."
4. Proverbs 6:30-31 (NIV): "People do not despise a thief if he steals to satisfy his hunger when he is starving. Yet if he is caught, he must pay sevenfold, though it costs him all the wealth of his house."
5. "Think about all of the sinners working for us. Let them heap up the money and transfer it to you." —*The Kingdom of God—Days of Heaven on Earth,* Gloria Copeland

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Supernatural Wealth Transfer

The Wealth of Evil People

Day #294

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3. "Yes, there is coming a financial inversion in the world's system. It has been held in reservoirs of wicked men for days on end. But the end is nigh.
4. "Those reservoirs shall be tapped and shall be drained into the gospel of Jesus Christ. It shall be done, saith the Lord."
    a. A place where anything is collected in great amount
    b. A large or extra supply or stock; a reserve
5. "It shall be done in the time allotted and so shall it be that the word of the Lord shall come to pass that the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just."

B. Job 27:16-19—The Wealth of Evil People

1. Verses 16-17 (NLT): "Evil people may have piles of money and may store away mounds of clothing. But the righteous will wear that clothing, and the innocent will divide that money."
2. Verse 19 (NLT): "The wicked go to bed rich but wake to find that all their wealth is gone."
    a. "If you don't have it—demand it." —Gloria Copeland
    b. "A 'suddenly' that is going the wrong way" —Gloria Copeland
    c. "Overnight financial reversals" —Gloria Copeland
3. "What happens to evil people's money? Whether money is good or bad depends on who has the money. When the righteous have money, they do good things with it. When the wicked have money, they do bad things with it. And those bad things lead to death—many times at an early age. You can't look at the rich and wonder how they got their money. Money acquired by ill-gotten gain is not from God. You could be part of the mafia and have lots of money—but you probably won't live out your full number of days. What happens to all of the 'ill-gotten gained' money? It goes right into the hands of the just." —*True Prosperity,* Gloria Copeland

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C. Proverbs 28:8—The Wealth of the Loan Shark

1. NIV-84: "He who increases his wealth by exorbitant interest amasses it for another, who will be kind to the poor."
2. AMPC: "He who by charging excessive interest and who by unjust efforts to get gain increases his material possession gathers it for him [to spend] who is kind and generous to the poor."
3. Proverbs 14:31 (NIV): "He who oppresses the poor shows contempt for their Maker, but whoever is kind to the needy honors God."
4. Proverbs 19:17 (NLT): "If you help the poor, you are lending to the Lord—and he will repay you!"
5. "Think about the loan sharks, drug dealers and unjust gain. Think about the billions of dollars that God is going to vacuum in to the Kingdom. Start ministering to the poor if you want to get in on the end-time transfer." —From *The Kingdom of God—Days of Heaven on Earth* by Gloria Copeland

"The world say doom, and we say bloom!"
—Gloria Copeland

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Supernatural Wealth Transfer

Here Comes the Wealth

Day #295

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    a. A place where anything is collected in great amount
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5. "It shall be done in the time allotted and so shall it be that the word of the Lord shall come to pass that the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just."

B. Isaiah 60 (NLT)—Wealth Comes to Israel

1. Verses 5-7: "Your eyes will shine, and your heart will thrill with joy, for merchants from around the world will come to you. They will bring you the wealth of many lands. Vast caravans of camels will converge on you, the camels of Midian and Ephah. The people of Sheba will bring gold and frankincense and will come worshiping the Lord. The flocks of Kedar will be given to you, and the rams of Nebaioth will be brought for my altars. I will accept their offerings, and I will make my Temple glorious."
2. Verses 10-11: "Foreigners will come to rebuild your towns, and their kings will serve you. For though I have destroyed you in my anger, I will now have mercy on you through my grace. Your gates will stay open day and night to receive the wealth of many lands. The kings of the world will be led as captives in a victory procession."
3. Verse 13: "The glory of Lebanon will be yours—the forests of cypress, fir, and pine—to beautify my sanctuary. My Temple will be glorious!"
4. Verse 16: "Powerful kings and mighty nations will satisfy your every need, as though you were a child nursing at the breast of a queen. You will know at last that I, the Lord, am your Savior and your Redeemer, the Mighty One of Israel."

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5. Isaiah 61:5: "And strangers shall stand and feed your flocks, and the sons of the alien shall be your plowmen and your vinedressers."

C. 1 Kings 10:10-12 (NIV)—Wealth Comes to Solomon

1. The Queen of Sheba was overwhelmed by Solomon's wisdom, prosperity and kingdom.
2. Verse 10a, "And she gave the king 120 talents [4.5 tons] of gold, large quantities of spices, and precious stones."
3. Verse 10b: "Never again were so many spices brought in as those the queen of Sheba gave to King Solomon."
4. Verse 11: "Hiram's ships brought gold from Ophir; and from there they brought great cargoes of almugwood and precious stones."
5. Verse 12: "The king used the almugwood to make supports for the temple of the Lord and for the royal palace, and to make harps and lyres for the musicians. So much almugwood has never been imported or seen since that day."

D. Matthew 2:7-11 (NLT)—Wealth Comes to Jesus

1. Verse 7: "Then Herod called for a private meeting with the wise men, and he learned from them the time when the star first appeared."
2. Verse 8: "Then he told them, 'Go to Bethlehem and search carefully for the child. And when you find him, come back and tell me so that I can go and worship him, too!'"
3. Verse 9: "After this interview the wise men went their way. And the star they had seen in the east guided them to Bethlehem. It went ahead of them and stopped over the place where the child was."
4. Verses 10-11: "When they saw the star, they were filled with joy! They entered the house and saw the child with his mother, Mary, and they bowed down and worshiped him. Then they opened their treasure chests and gave him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh."
5. Psalm 72:10-11 (NIV-84): "The kings of Tarshish and of distant shores will bring tribute to him; the kings of Sheba and Seba will present him gifts. All kings will bow down to him and all nations will serve him."

If you feed your heart, you'll change your head.
You'll get to a place where you can't even think lack anymore.
—Gloria Copeland

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Supernatural Wealth Transfer

Get It "To Go"!

Day #296

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The BLESSING is greater than the curse!
—Gloria Copeland

B. Transfer of Wealth From the Egyptians to the Children of Israel

1. A prime example of massive wealth transfer is in Exodus 12.
    a. The Egyptians gave their wealth to the children of Israel on the way out of Egypt.
    b. They came out with silver and gold.
    c. The Egyptians said, "Take it and go and get out of our sight!"
2. Exodus 3:20-22 (AMPC): "So I will stretch out My hand and smite Egypt with all My wonders which I will do in it; and after that he will let you go. And I will give this people favor and respect in the sight of the Egyptians; and it shall be that when you go, you shall not go empty-handed. But every woman shall [insistently] solicit of her neighbor and of her that may be residing at her house jewels and articles of silver and gold, and garments, which you shall put on your sons and daughters; and you shall strip the Egyptians [of belongings due to you]."

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3. Exodus 12:35-36 (AMPC): "The Israelites did according to the word of Moses; and they [urgently] asked of the Egyptians jewels of silver and of gold, and clothing. The Lord gave the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they gave them what they asked. And they stripped the Egyptians [of those things]."
    a. Verse 36 (NIV): "They plundered the Egyptians."
    b. Verse 36 (MSG): "They picked those Egyptians clean."
4. Psalm 105:37 (AMPC): "He brought [Israel] forth also with silver and gold, and there was not one feeble person among their tribes."
    a. *Feeble* (HEB)—There was not one pauper among their tribes.
    b. Pauper
        i. An extremely poor person
        ii. A person without any means of support
        iii. A destitute person who depends on aid from public welfare, funds or charity
    c. *Tehillim* Commentary:
        i. Rabbi Eliezer the Great taught: The lowliest among the children of Israel brought ninety asses laden with silver and gold when he left Egypt.
        ii. The feeble man is one who became impoverished and stumbled from his original financial level. No Jew who left Egypt could be described as a pauper because all were enriched by the booty of their oppressors.
        iii. The pauper is a man whose health has deteriorated to the point that he stumbles unless he uses a cane. When the Jews left Egypt, a miracle occurred—not a single person amongst them was sick or debilitated.
5. Psalm 105:37 (MSG): "He led Israel out, their arms filled with loot."

C. Deuteronomy 6:10-11—Wealth Transfer in the Promised Land

1. Great and goodly cities which they did not build
2. Houses full of good things they didn't fill
3. Wells dug they didn't dig
4. Vineyards and olive trees which they didn't plant
5. Deuteronomy 6:3—It was a land that flowed with milk and honey.

When you sow, say! "The hundredfold return is working for me all the time!"
—Gloria Copeland

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Supernatural Wealth Transfer

Transfer From the Enemy's Camp

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B. Psalm 68:19 (NKJV): "Blessed be the Lord, Who daily loads us with benefits, The God of our salvation!"

C. 2 Kings 7:3-8—Wealth Transfer From the Enemy's Camp

1. Verses 3-4—The lepers decided to go to the Syrian camp.
2. Verse 5—No one was there.
3. Verse 6—The Lord created the noise of chariots.
4. Verse 7—The Syrians left everything in the camp.
5. Verse 8—The lepers ate, drank and took the gold, silver and clothes.

D. Psalm 113:7 (AMPC): "[The Lord] raises the poor out of the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap and the dung hill."

E. Confusion in the World of the Wicked

1. Word from the Lord through Charles Capps

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"So shall it be as it was in that day [speaking about the lepers in 2 Kings 7] that confusion shall come to the world of the wicked. For they have sought their own ways and have walked in their own purposes. They have gained and hoarded up and kept from the gospel that with which they have prospered.

"But, in the days to come, the days are changing and the ways are changing.

"It shall be so that confusion shall be on every hand. The monetary system shall be disturbed. Men shall look here and shall look there looking for an answer. But they shall not find it.

"So shall it be that in these that have come and spoiled the camp [speaking of the lepers], shall the men in this day walk in the midst of confusions that shall be in the day in which you live. They shall believe for and receive the direction of the Lord. [The wicked] shall flee their possessions. They shall flee it—drop it here and drop it there because they hear of that which is coming, like the Syrians that fled from that camp who left their goods.

"They will release it and they will let it go.

"But as the Christians pick it up, it will not be so [The Christians won't be confused]. Then, it will flourish and it will prosper."

2. "When there is confusion all around, there is clarity in the life of the believer." —Gloria Copeland
3. "We will pick up opportunities the world has missed because of all the confusion." —Gloria Copeland

F. Exodus 34:10 (NKJV): "And He said: "Behold, I make a covenant. Before all your people I will do marvels such as have not been done in all the earth, nor in any nation; and all the people among whom you are shall see the work of the Lord. For it is an awesome thing that I will do with you."

G. 2 Chronicles 20:25-26 (AMPC): "When Jehoshaphat and his people came to take the spoil, they found among them much cattle, goods, garments, and precious things which they took for themselves, more than they could carry away, so much they were three days in gathering the spoil. On the fourth day they assembled in the Valley of Beracah. There they blessed the Lord. So the name of the place is still called the Valley of Beracah [blessing]."

"Under the curse, you diminish. Things flow away from you.
Under THE BLESSING, you increase. Things flow into you."
—Gloria Copeland

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Two Ways of Wealth Transfer

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B. Luke 19:1-10 (NIV)—The Conversion of Zacchaeus

1. Verses 1-2: "Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was wealthy."
2. Verses 3-4: "He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short he could not see over the crowd. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him, since Jesus was coming that way."
3. Verses 5-6: "When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to him, 'Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your house today.' So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly."
4. Verses 7-8: "All the people saw this and began to mutter, 'He has gone to be the guest of

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a sinner.' But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, 'Look, Lord! Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount.'"

5. Verses 9-10: "Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because this man, too, is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.'"

C. Luke 12:13-21—A Rich Man's Wealth Transferred

1. Verses 13-14: "And one of the company said unto him, Master, speak to my brother, that he divide the inheritance with me. And he said unto him, Man, who made me a judge or a divider over you?"
2. Verse 15: "And he said unto them, Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth."
3. Verses 16-17: "And he spake a parable unto them, saying, The ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully: And he thought within himself, saying, What shall I do, because I have no room where to bestow my fruits?"
4. Verses 18-19: "And he said, This will I do: I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry."
5. Verses 20-21: "But God said unto him, Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided? So is he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."
    a. NIV: "Then who will get what you have prepared for yourself?"
    b. Psalm 39:6 (NIV-84): "He heaps up wealth, not knowing who will get it."
    c. Isaiah 10:1-3 (NIV): "Woe to those who make unjust laws, to those who issue oppressive decrees, to deprive the poor of their rights and withhold justice from the oppressed of my people, making widows their prey and robbing the fatherless. What will you do on the day of reckoning, when disaster comes from afar? To whom will you run for help? Where will you leave your riches?"
    d. Proverbs 13:22: "The wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just."
    e. Jeremiah 17:11: "As the partridge sitteth on eggs, and hatcheth them not; so he that getteth riches, and not by right, shall leave them in the midst of his days, and at his end shall be a fool."

D. 1 Timothy 6:9-10, 17-18—Surviving the Wealth

1. Verses 9-10: "But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. 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."
2. Verses 17-18: "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; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate."
3. We must be taught and trained how to handle wealth—or it will handle us.
4. We survive the wealth by:
    a. Tithing
    b. Sowing
    c. Obeying
    d. Serving
5. We must develop our "wealthability" (new word by Gloria Copeland).

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End-Time Wealth Transfer

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B. The Final Stage of Wealth Transfer

Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, Branson Victory Campaign, March 8, 2012

"Now, this generation of people, the time in which you and I live, we are living in the most important time in God's schedule and what He has planned. You and I are living in *the* most important moment of time since the Day of Pentecost. Two thousand years of heaven going toward one specific event, which is the catching away of the Body of Christ and glorification of His people. And we are in it.

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"Thank God for that early Church! Thank God for all of the great things that God has done over all this whole period of time. But, glory to God, we get to get in on it right here. This is the blowout! Do you understand?

"I will give you a little bit of a preview here.

"Everything that satan has accumulated in the way of property, wealth, influence—anything in this entire planet that he has his hands on and under his control, he stole it!

"Now, up until the ministry of Jesus on the earth, from the time Adam committed treason before God—from that time until Jesus came into the earth, there were things that satan did and accumulated. He did not have to steal because it had been put into his hands. And what he did and what he had, he got from Adam. Adam gave it to him. Don't you remember when satan said to Jesus, 'Look at all of the kingdoms of this world. Bow down before me and I will give them to you. They have been given to me and I give it to whomsoever I will'?

"Jesus got it back! He took from satan everything that he had taken from Adam. Jesus took it back!

"The largest, most significant transfer of property, goods, wealth and people from the hands of the devil into the hands of God's people who are prepared to receive it. I am telling you—the biggest transfer of property in the history of mankind has just begun and it is swinging into...it has moved over into its final stage, saith The LORD.

"And for those who will listen to Me and follow Me and trust Me—those who I have taught My WORD and have given the authority to walk in these things, it is the most outstanding thing that human eyes have ever seen. And the time is now. Your time has come. Your hour has come. So rise and do those things by faith that you know to do and all that belongs to heaven will come into your hands for your joy."

C. James 5:1-8—You Have Heaped Treasure Together for the Last Days

Quotes from *Supernatural Wealth Transfer* by Bill Winston

1. "[God is] restoring the earth back into the hands of its rightful owners, as well as restoring the power or Blessing to govern it. Because of Adam's sin, the earth was not in the hands of God's family. Now, God is working His redemptive plan to get it all back...what I refer to as a SUPERNATURAL transfer of wealth.
2. "As we get closer to our Lord's return, there is an invasion of the Kingdom of Heaven into this world—the imposing of God's will on the plans of the devil. Earthly systems, laws, rules, policies and values must now come in line with Heaven's order or Heaven's Government, the Government of the Kingdom of God. Psalm 103:19 (ESV)...His kingdom rules over all.
3. "One of the major things coming in this hour is an EXPLOSION OF WEALTH in the Body of Christ. Through divine favor, witty inventions and the grace of giving, we are at the season of the greatest WEALTH TRANSFER in the history of this planet. There will be inventions that make the iPhone seem like child's play.
4. "This is a prophetic time in history, the same as the "set-time" that triggered the release of the children of Israel from Egyptian bondage. This is a season when, what happened then is happening now. It is a set-time or a season which is the consummation

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of something pledged or promised by God. The reservoirs of the wicked will now be drained, and as the Babylonian system of the world fails, the system of the Kingdom of God will prevail.

5. "We are even going to see money supernaturally transfer into the bank accounts of the people of God. Why the transfer of wealth? Mainly for the advancing of the Kingdom and bringing in the end-time harvest of souls. God needs the wealth in our hands to fulfill the call that is on our lives for this generation—to reclaim what Jesus redeemed."

D. Isaiah 53:12: "Therefore will I divide him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered with the transgressors; and he bare the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors."

Don't take your life, give your life! And get your life back!
Gloria Copeland

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Supernatural Wealth Transfer

The Hundredfold Wealth Transfer

Day #300

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6. "But it shall be, saith the Lord, that the Word of the Lord shall rise within men—men of God of low esteem in the financial world—that shall claim the Word of God to be their very own and walk in the light of it as it has been set forth in the Word and give.
7. "They will begin to give small at first because that is all they have. But then it will increase, and through the hundredfold return, so shall it be that the reservoirs that have held the riches in days past, so shall it return to the hands of the giver. Because of the hundredfold return shall the reservoirs be lost from the wicked and turned to the gospel.

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8. "For it shall be in this hour that you will see things that you have never dreamed come to pass. Oh, it will be strong at first in ways. Then, it will grow greater and greater until men will be astounded and the world will stand in awe because the ways of men have failed and the ways of God shall come forth."

"God never thinks little of a small seed if it's given in faith!"
—Gloria Copeland

B. Mark 10:28-30—The Hundredfold Return

Quotes from G*od's Will Is Prosperity* by Gloria Copeland

1. "Peter began to say unto him, Lo, we have left all, and have followed thee. 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, 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."
2. "How great the hundredfold return is: Give $1 and receive 100!"
3. "Where in the natural world are you offered the return of 100 times your investment?"
   a. "If you double your money, you do well."
   b. "If you receive 10 times your investment, it is a marvelous deal."
   c. "But who talks in terms of receiving 100 times your investment?"
4. "After I let what the Word offers us in the hundredfold return become a reality to me, the Lord led me to continually give thanks for it every time I thought about it."
   a. "I would say, 'Thank You, Father, for the hundredfold return offered in Your Word.'"
   b. "It is such a generous return and it belongs to me."
5. "I would say any faith words of praise that came into my spirit in regard to continually thanking God for the hundredfold return."
   a. "This thanksgiving kept my faith active and operative to receive."
   b. "Continually confessing the hundredfold return causes the seed of Mark 10:29-30 to grow."

C. Genesis 26:12-14—Transfer of Wealth to Isaac

1. Verses 12-14 (MSG): "Isaac planted crops in that land and took in a huge harvest. God blessed him. The man got richer and richer by the day until he was very wealthy. He accumulated flocks and herds and many, many servants, so much so that the Philistines began to envy him."
2. The Philistines envied him because their wealth was being transferred to Isaac.
3. "Through the hundredfold return, so shall it be that the reservoirs that have held the riches in days past, so shall it return to the hands of the giver. Because of the hundredfold return shall the reservoirs be lost from the wicked and turned to the gospel." —Charles Capps
4. Continually confess, "The hundredfold return is working for me."
5. Then, believe for and receive a continual flow of the wealth of the world being transferred into your life.

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God's Will Is Prosperity

God's Will Is Prosperity

Day #301 / Chapter 1

A. Genesis 1:26-29—In the Beginning

1. God made sure Adam lacked no good thing.
   a. He was fully furnished.
   b. All he knew was abundance.
2. It was only after Adam committed high treason against God that sin, sickness, lack and poverty came in.
3. Now, he had to toil and sweat to survive.
4. Satan is the author of poverty.
5. God is the Author of abundance.
6. Verse 28 (AMPC): "And God blessed them and said to them, Be fruitful, multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it [using all its vast resources in the service of God and man]…."

B. Genesis 17:1-9—The BLESSING of Abraham

1. Verse 2 (NKJV): "And I will make My covenant between Me and you, and will multiply you exceedingly."
2. Verse 6 (NKJV): "I will make you exceedingly fruitful…."
3. Verse 7 (NKJV): "And I will establish My covenant between Me and you and your descendants after you in their generations, for an everlasting covenant…."
   a. *Establish* = To settle or fix on a permanent basis
   b. God's covenant is unalterable.
   c. God's covenant is generational.
4. Financial prosperity (wealth) is one way that God established this covenant of promise.
   a. Deuteronomy 8:18 (NKJV): "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…."
   b. The person who holds to poverty rejects the establishment of the covenant.
   c. The person who holds to the covenant rejects poverty.
5. Galatians 3:29—We have been grafted into this established covenant through Jesus!
   a. Verse 29 (NKJV): "And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise."
   b. "We are heirs according to the promise—heirs just as surely as if we were Abraham's descendants by natural birth." —Gloria Copeland

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C. Romans 4:3, 12-25—How Abraham Received

1. Abraham received by believing what God said, despite what he saw or felt.
   a. Verse 19 (NKJV): "And not being weak in faith, he did not consider his own body, already dead (since he was about a hundred years old), and the deadness of Sarah's womb."
   b. Verses 20-21 (NKJV): "He did not waver at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strengthened in faith, giving glory to God, and being fully convinced that what He had promised He was also able to perform."
2. It takes faith to establish the covenant.
   a. Abraham's faith allowed God to establish the promise in his life.
   b. Man's faith is necessary for God to establish His Word in the earth.
   c. If the seed is to share the promise of Abraham, the seed must also share the faith of Abraham.
3. God operates by promise.
   a. We must believe God's promises.
   b. We must keep His covenant.
   c. "The blessing of the covenant cannot be stopped in the life of an heir of Abraham as long as he keeps the covenant—obeys God and believes that He is able to perform the covenant in his life." —Gloria Copeland

"My prosperity is tied to the kingdom of God and not to the natural realm."
—A quote from Adebisi Llori in Gloria's notebook

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Prosperity and Priorities

Day #302 / Chapter 2

A. Deuteronomy 8:18 (AMPC)—It Is God's Will for You to Prosper

1. "But you shall [earnestly] 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."
2. God is so generous with us that He desires His children to have the best in life on earth, in the same way you desire the best for your children.
3. "God is not against a man having money. He is against money having the man. He is not opposed to His people being rich, but He is opposed to them being covetous." —Gloria Copeland
4. Luke 12:15 (AMPC): "And He said to them, Guard yourselves and keep free from all covetousness (the immoderate desire for wealth, the greedy longing to have more)…."
5. Matthew 6:33: "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."
    a. "True prosperity is the ability to use the power of God to meet the needs of mankind." —Kenneth Copeland
    b. "True prosperity is having every need met." —Gloria Copeland

B. Matthew 6:24—Be Careful Where You Put Your Trust

1. AMPC: "No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will stand by and be devoted to the one and despise and be against the other. You cannot serve God and mammon (deceitful riches, money, possessions, or whatever is trusted in)."
    a. You are meant to serve God, not money—there's no middle ground!
    b. "Trusting in riches will only go as far as the riches will go." —Gloria Copeland
2. Luke 12:20-21 (AMPC): "But God said to him, You fool! This very night they…will demand your soul of you; and all the things that you have prepared, whose will they be? So it is with the one who continues to lay up and hoard possessions for himself and is not rich [in his relation] to God [this is how he fares]."
3. The laws of prosperity will work in the life of any believer who is obedient to God's Word.
4. Deuteronomy 29:9 (AMPC): "Therefore keep the words of this covenant and do them, that you may deal wisely and prosper in all that you do."
5. Isaiah 1:19 (NKJV): "If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land."

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C. Colossians 3:1-2—Set Your Mind on the Word

1. AMPC: "If then you have been raised with Christ [to a new life, thus sharing His resurrection from the dead], aim at and seek the [rich, eternal treasures] that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. And set your minds and keep them set on what is above (the higher things), not on the things that are on the earth."
2. Refuse to allow money or possessions to control your thinking or actions.
3. "Make an irrevocable decision to serve God's Word and make it first place in your life." —Gloria Copeland
4. Mark 4:18-19 (AMPC): "And the ones sown among the thorns are others who hear the Word; Then the cares and anxieties of the world and distractions of the age, and the pleasure and delight and false glamour and deceitfulness of riches, and the craving and passionate desire for other things creep in and choke and suffocate the Word, and it becomes fruitless."
5. We are to seek first the Kingdom and God's righteousness by the Word.
    a. Once you decide to do whatever you see in the Word of God, you have placed yourself in position to receive great financial blessings.
    b. The Word of God will produce just as far as you dare commit to it.

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Divine Prosperity

Day #303 / Chapter 3

A. 2 Corinthians 8:9—Divine Prosperity Belongs to the Believer

1. Verse 9 (AMPC): "For you are becoming progressively acquainted with and recognizing more strongly and clearly the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ (His kindness, His gracious generosity, His undeserved favor and spiritual blessing), [in] that though 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)."
2. Isaiah 1:19: "If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land."
   a. Willing is an action word that involves a personal decision.
   b. To be willing is to make up your mind to live a certain way.
3. You should not be willing to live in lack.
4. "If you make up your mind—make a quality decision—that you are not willing to live in lack but that you are willing to live in divine prosperity and abundance, Satan cannot stop the flow of God's financial blessings." —Gloria Copeland
5. Divine healing and divine prosperity work the same way.
   a. "To walk in divine health, you begin with a decision to no longer allow Satan to put sickness on you." —Gloria Copeland
   b. You should take authority over a symptom of lack just like you would a symptom of sickness!

B. Deuteronomy 28:33—We Are Redeemed From the Curse

1. Poverty is clearly under the curse of the law.
2. Verse 33 (AMP): "A people whom you do not know will eat the produce of your land and all the products of your labors, and you will never be anything but oppressed and exploited and crushed continually."
3. Verse 12 (MSG): "God will throw open the doors of his sky vaults and pour rain on your land on schedule and bless the work you take in hand…."
4. Galatians 3:13-14—We have been redeemed from the curse!
   a. Verse 13 (AMP): "Christ purchased our freedom and redeemed us from the curse of the Law and its condemnation by becoming a curse for us—for it is written, 'Cursed is everyone who hangs [crucified] on a tree (cross).'"
   b. "The blessing of Abraham definitely included a financial blessing. The curse of the law definitely included financial reversal." —Gloria Copeland
   c. "If we are willing and obedient, the blessing of Abraham will come on us, and overtake us." —Gloria Copeland

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5. Isaiah 53:5 (AMPC): "…the chastisement [needful to obtain] peace and well-being for us was upon Him, and with the stripes [that wounded] Him we are healed and made whole."
    a. "You can't enjoy peace and well-being if you don't have your needs met." —Gloria Copeland
    b. "You have a title deed to prosperity." —Gloria Copeland
    c. "Jesus bought and paid for your prosperity just like He bought and paid for your healing and your salvation." —Gloria Copeland
6. You do not have to hope to get this prosperity—it has already been given to you by Jesus.

"You have to walk it out! Do right, say right—that's right!"
—Gloria Copeland

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The Hundredfold Return

Day #304 / Chapter 4

A. Mark 4:20—Let the Word of God Grow

1. Verse 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."
   a. When a seed is allowed to take root and grow, there will be a day when it is ready to harvest.
   b. The Word of God is the seed planted.
   c. If it is planted into a good heart, watered, allowed to grow and multiply, it will become mature and produce a great harvest.
2. The Word will produce according to how you hear it, how you receive it, and how you grow it.
   a. The harvest of the seed will come by believing and doing God's Word and by constantly confessing it with your mouth.
   b. Some hearers will show no fruit of the Word because they have allowed other things to choke out the seed.
   c. Others will bring forth fruit, some thirtyfold, some sixtyfold, and some a hundredfold, because they watered the Word and let it produce in their lives.
3. Even though all the blessings of God belong to us, they will not become manifested in our lives without exercising faith to receive them.

"You don't get what you want, you get what you say!"
—Gloria Copeland

B. Mark 10:28-30—The Hundredfold Return

1. Verses 28-30 "Then Peter began to say unto him, Lo, we have left all, and have followed thee. 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, 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."
2. "Where in the natural world are you offered the return of one hundred times your investment?
3. "After I let what the Word offers us in the hundredfold return become a reality to me, the Lord led me to continually give thanks for the hundredfold return.

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4. "I would say any faith words of praise that came into my spirit in regard to continually thanking God for the hundredfold return.
    a. "This thanksgiving kept my faith active and operative to receive.
    b. "Continually confessing the hundredfold return causes the seed of Mark 10:29-30 to grow.
5. "The hundredfold return is working for me all the time." —Gloria Copeland
6. Genesis 26:12 (NKJV): "Then Isaac sowed in that land, and reaped in the same year a hundredfold; and the Lord blessed him."
7. Genesis 26:13 (NLT): "He became a very rich man, and his wealth continued to grow."

C. A Financial Inversion Is Coming

Prophecy through Charles Capps in Honolulu, Hawaii, February 1, 1978

1. "There is a financial inversion in the world's system. It has been held in reservoirs of wicked men for days on end…Those reservoirs shall be tapped and shall be drained into the gospel of Jesus Christ…." It will be done in the time appointed by the Lord; whatever the Lord says shall come to pass, that the wealth of the wicked shall be laid up for the righteous. The people that have withheld their money from the gospel by inspiration of the enemy will be drawn to the Kingdom and converted, and their wealth will be poured into the Gospel.
2. "But it shall be, saith the Lord, that the Word of the Lord shall rise within men—men of God with low esteem in the financial world—that shall claim the Word of God to be their very own and walk in the light of it as it has been set forth in the Word and give.
3. "They will begin to give small at first because that is all they have. But then it will increase, and through the hundredfold return, so shall it be that the reservoirs that have held the riches in days past, so shall it return to the hands of the giver. Because of the hundredfold return shall the reservoirs be lost from the wicked and turned to the gospel."

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How to Receive From God

Day #305 / Chapter 5

A. Realize That God's Word Is His Will

1. "Read the Bible with the knowledge that God had it written for your benefit not for His." —Gloria Copeland
2. "God's Word in you is the key to answered prayer." —Gloria Copeland
3. John 15:7 (NKJV): "If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, you will ask what you desire, and it shall be done for you."
4. 1 John 4:14-15 (NKJV): "And we have seen and testify that the Father has sent the Son as Savior of the world. Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God."

If you don't know, go to the Word and fix it."
—Gloria Copeland

B. Joshua 1:8—God's Success Formula

1. Verse 8 (NKJV): "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."
2. Talk the Word.
   a. You do this by keeping the Word in your heart in abundance.
   b. "Unless you act against the world order with the Word of God, your mouth will speak from experience, circumstance and tradition." —Gloria Copeland
   c. To change your words, you must first change the source.
3. Meditate the Word.
   a. You put God's Word in your heart by meditation on His Word.
   b. You only change how you believe through the Word of God.
   c. Meditation is fixing your mind on the Word so that you do all that is written therein.
4. Act on the Word.
   a. One of the great enemies of faith is mental assent—believing the Word is true, but never acting on it.
   b. Matthew 7:24-27—You must act on the knowledge to get results.
   c. "You are the determining factor in receiving from God." —Gloria Copeland

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C. Mark 11:22-24—The God Kind of Faith

1. Speak the Word to the mountain.
    a. Do not talk to God about the problem.
    b. Talk to Him about the answer—the Word of God!
    c. "Most people want God to talk to the mountain for them, but He will not." —Gloria Copeland
2. God has given us the authority in the earth to speak and see it come to pass.
    a. Because of man's authority in the earth, God will allow whatever you allow into your life!
        i. Righteousness or sin
        ii. Health or sickness
        iii. Prosperity or poverty
    b. You have the authority through your words to determine what takes place in your life—whether it's God's will for you or not.
3. Do not doubt in your heart.
    a. "Doubt is eradicated from your heart by time spent hearing and meditating on God's Word." —Gloria Copeland
    b. "The key to receiving the desires of your heart is to make the words of your mouth agree with what you want!" —Gloria Copeland
4. "In consistency lies the power." —Gloria Copeland
    a. Only say what you want to come to pass.
    b. "If you speak positive results in prayer and negative results the rest of the time, your negative words will prevail." —Gloria Copeland
    c. Be consistent in ONLY saying faith words.
5. Nothing wavering
    a. "Satan has no authority over us except what we give him with the words of our mouth!" —Gloria Copeland
    b. Satan deceives you by making you wonder if it will come to pass.
    c. You have the answer if you do not become double-minded and waver.

"If you don't want it, don't say it!"
—Gloria Copeland

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Our Angels at Work

Day #306 / Chapter 6

A. Hebrews 1:14—The Angels Have an Assignment on This Earth

1. Verse 14: "Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?"
    a. Galatians 3:29: "And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise."
    b. "The angels of God have been sent to perform whatever is necessary to establish God's promises on the earth." —Gloria Copeland
2. The angels are assigned to enforce THE BLESSING of Abraham to his seed in the current generation.
3. *Young's Analytical Concordance* defines the word angel as a "messenger or agent."
    a. Angels are Covenant Enforcing Agents.
    b. The angels have a mission to see God's new covenant fulfilled in the earth.
    c. Psalm 103:20-21 (AMPC): "Bless (affectionately, gratefully praise) the Lord, you His angels, you mighty ones who do His commandments, hearkening to the voice of His word. Bless (affectionately, gratefully praise) the Lord, all you His hosts, you His ministers who do His pleasure."

You need to give your angels faith words to work with.
—Gloria Copeland

B. Hebrews 12:22—The Angels Are Here

1. The angels are innumerable.
    a. AMPC: There are "countless multitudes of angels."
    b. Revelation 5:11 (AMPC): "...and they numbered ten thousand times ten thousand and thousands of thousands."
2. The king of Syria sent chariots, and horses, and a great army to capture Elisha.
    a. 2 Kings 6:15-17 (AMPC): "When the servant of the man of God rose early and went out, behold, an army with horses and chariots was around the city. Elisha's servant said to him, Alas, my master! What shall we do? [Elisha] answered, Fear not; for those with us are more than those with them. Then Elisha prayed, Lord, I pray You, open his eyes that he may see. And the Lord opened the young man's eyes, and he saw, and behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha."

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   b. The mountain was full of Elisha's angels ready to enforce God's covenant.
   c. He had more than enough angels to defeat a "great army."
3. There is an unfathomable number of angels ready to do what you tell them.

C. Hebrews 1:14—Put Your Angels to Work

1. AMPC: "Are not the angels all ministering spirits (servants) sent out in the service [of God for the assistance] of those who are to inherit salvation?"
   a. *Salvation* represents "deliverance, preservation and soundness."
   b. Your words will put your angels to work to bring to pass whatever you say.
2. The angels that are assigned to you can be bound or loosed.
   a. If you speak faith words that are rooted in the Word, the angels are free to do whatever you want to happen.
   b. Psalm 103:20 (AMPC): "Bless (affectionately, gratefully praise) the Lord, you His angels, you mighty ones who do His commandments, hearkening to the voice of His word."
3. You keep your angels working when you keep God's Word in your mouth.

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Yes, You Can Stand!

Day #307 / Chapter 7

A. Ephesians 6:13-14—Having Done All to Stand, Stand Therefore!

1. Verses 13-14 (NKJV): "Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness."
2. Only with the full armor of God can we stand against the strategies and deceits of Satan.
3. How long do you stand?
4. As long as it takes!
5. Don't attempt to go after something in faith without first making the quality decision to be willing to keep faith applied, until you see the desired results.
6. Hebrews 10:39 (NKJV): "But we are not of those who draw back to perdition, but of those who believe to the saving of the soul."

"You can't quit until the job is finished!"
—Gloria Copeland

B. Hebrews 10:36—The Power of Patience

1. Verse 36: "For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise."
2. Patience undergirds faith and keeps faith applied until the results manifest.
3. Patience is the difference between trying and committing.
4. *W.E. Vine* says, "Patience is the quality that does not surrender to circumstances or succumb under trial: it is the opposite of despondency and is associated with hope."
5. "Patience encourages fearless confidence in God's Word despite contrary evidence in the seen world." —Gloria Copeland
    a. Hebrews 10:35-36 (NKJV): "Therefore do not cast away your confidence, which has great reward. For you have need of endurance, so that after you have done the will of God, you may receive the promise."
    b. Patience knows that when faith is exercised to receive God's Word, success is inevitable.
    c. "Patience undergirds faith and gives it endurance to persevere until the answer comes." —Kenneth Copeland

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C. 2 Corinthians 10:4-5—Our Weapons Are Mighty

1. Verses 4-5: "(For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;) casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ."
2. 1 Corinthians 10:13—Satan's weapons are limited to what is common to man.
3. Our weapon, the Word of God, supersedes what is common to man and taps into God's unlimited resources.
4. "Satan can challenge God's Word, but God's Word can pass the test!" —Gloria Copeland
5. Satan is bound by God's law—he knows that you WILL have what you say.
    a. So, say God's Word.
    b. You will have what you say.

"What have I got to lose by staying in faith?"
—Gloria Copeland

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How to Defeat Satan's Attacks

Day #308 / Chapter 8

A. Make a Decision

1. Exercise your will that you are not going to allow Satan to change your confession of faith.
2. The dictionary defines *will* as "strong purpose, intention, or determination."
3. You need to have bulldog faith and keep the Word of God in your mouth no matter what.
4. Make a decision to stand and not be moved.
5. As a result, you will be able to accomplish God's will and receive what was promised.

B. Resist the Devil

1. James 4:7: "Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you."
2. "You resist him with the words of your mouth—the same way you submit to him." —Gloria Copeland
3. You have submitted yourself to God's Word: therefore, refuse to receive or give thought to anything that the devil throws your way.

"*Your words either defeat you, or bring you victory.*"
—Gloria Copeland

C. Give Your Attention

1. Proverbs 4:20-23: "My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings. Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart. For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh. Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life."
2. Satan will try to divert your attention from God's Word to circumstances.
3. "The more attention you give God's Word, the easier the other steps will be in resisting Satan's attacks." —Gloria Copeland

D. Count It All Joy

1. James 1:2-4: "My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptations; knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing."
2. Count it all a joy because you know that the trying of your faith exercises patience.
3. Verse 12: "Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall

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receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him."

4. The man is blessed because he trusts in God's covenant to provide whatever he needs.
5. "When you prove to Satan enough times that you will not compromise God's Word, he will stay out of your way." —Gloria Copeland

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The Blessed Believer

Day #309 / Chapter 9

A. Psalm 112

1. Praise ye the Lord. Blessed is the man that feareth the Lord, that delighteth greatly in his commandments.
2. His seed shall be mighty upon earth: the generation of the upright shall be blessed.
3. Wealth and riches shall be in his house: and his righteousness endureth for ever.
4. Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness: he is gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous.
5. A good man showeth favour, and lendeth: he will guide his affairs with discretion.
6. Surely he shall not be moved for ever: the righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance.
7. He shall not be afraid of evil tidings: his heart is fixed, trusting in the Lord.
8. His heart is established, he shall not be afraid, until he see his desire upon his enemies.
9. He hath dispersed, he hath given to the poor; his righteousness endureth for ever; his horn shall be exalted with honour.
10. The wicked shall see it, and be grieved; he shall gnash with his teeth, and melt away: the desire of the wicked shall perish.

B. Psalm 112—The Profile of a Wealthy Believer

1. Verse 1—He is blessed because he honors God and His Word.
   a. To be blessed is to be empowered to prosper.
   b. To be blessed is also to be a blessing.
2. Verse 2—His children are blessed because of his giving.
   a. NLT: "Their children will be successful everywhere; an entire generation of godly people will be blessed."
   b. Psalm 25:12-13 (NIV-84): "Who, then, is the man that fears the Lord? He will instruct him in the way chosen for him. He will spend his days in prosperity, and his descendants will inherit the land."
3. Verse 3—Wealth and riches are in his house.
   a. NLT: "They themselves will be wealthy, and their good deeds will last forever."
   b. MSG: "Their houses brim with wealth and a generosity that never runs dry."
4. Verse 4—He is gracious and full of compassion.
   a. *Compassion* (HEB) = a moving, a deep inner yearning, an overwhelming desire of the heart toward supplying the needs of others.
   b. Compassion is God's love surging through the heart of one to another.

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5. Verse 5—He displays favor and lends.
    a. MSG: "The good person is generous and lends lavishly."
    b. NIV-84: "Good will come to him who is generous and lends freely, who conducts his affairs with justice."
6. Verses 6-8—His heart is established and is not moved during adverse economic times.
7. Verse 9—He is a giver who reaches out to the poor and continues to be promoted.
    a. AMPC: "He has distributed freely [he has given to the poor and needy]."
    b. Our motivation for accumulation is distribution.
8. Verse 10—He resists the devil—and the devil flees!
    a. Lack of any kind has no place in the house of the righteous.
    b. The prosperous believer stands strong and firm.

C. Final Words

1. When you are obedient to the Word of God, nothing can stop wealth and riches from being in your house—except you.
2. If you will not accept prosperity, God will not be able to perform beyond what you are willing to receive.
3. Isaiah 1:19 (NKJV): "If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land."
4. By faith, I receive the fullness of God's provision.
5. It is truly God's will for me to prosper.

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The Secret of Kingdom Prosperity

Day #310

Insights From Bishop David Oyedepo

A. Deuteronomy 8:18—Bishop David Oyedepo's Quest for the Secret of Kingdom Prosperity

1. He went on a three-day prayer and fasting adventure from March 20-22, 1982 to discover the secret.
2. He took his Bible along with Kenneth Copeland's book, *The Laws of Prosperity* and Gloria Copeland's book, *God's Will Is Prosperity.*
3. On the third day, the Lord gave him 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."
4. God spoke the following words that changed Bishop Oyedepo's life forever:
   a. *My son, My prosperity plan is not a promise, so it does not answer to prayers.*
   b. *It is not a promise and so it has no respect for fasting.*
   c. M*y prosperity plan is a covenant.*
   d. Until your part is played, I am not committed.
5. "No one can empower himself for financial dominion. It is only God that can do so. Until He empowers us, we are utterly powerless. We must therefore recognize that we can only commit to God on His own terms—not ours. That is, there is always a part we must play before we can commit God to His part. Therefore, it is the revelation of the terms of the covenant that launches and positions us into the realms of inexplicable, but undeniable wealth."

B. Three Kingdom Prosperity Questions

1. What is a covenant?
   a. It is "a deal enacted by God, based on well-defined terms and sealed with an oath."
   b. The Bible is a book of covenants that allows us to access every issue of interest to us, including prosperity.
   c. "It is important to note that the covenant is superior to all economic circumstances because "it is God's bailout instrument from all harsh economic situations."
2. What is the covenant of financial fortune?
   a. "Financial dominion anchors on the covenant of seedtime and harvest."
   b. Our giving and receiving "provides the gateway to financial dominion" and "is a spiritual translation for provoking all-round favor."
   c. "The greater the giving grace on our lives, the greater the coast of financial fortune we access."

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3. How reliable is this covenant?
    a. Psalm 89:34: "My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips."
    b. "As long as the day and night keep changing position and the sun and moon continue to rule the day and night, all of God's covenants in Scripture remain in force, including the covenant of financial prosperity."
    c. "This makes every covenant of Scripture ever-reliable, dependable, guaranteed and binding on God for delivery."

C. Three Covenant Requirements for Walking in Financial Dominion

1. Tithing
    a. "This is the covenant foundation, responsibility and obligation for financial fortune."
    b. "All financial testimonies in the Body of Christ are rooted in consistent tithing."
    c. "The truth is, any believer who is not a tither will remain a financial struggler."
    d. "This is because it is impossible to be in command of financial fortune without being a tither."
2. Kingdom-Promotion Giving
    a. "Our seed is not a financial donation to 'help' God, the church, the ministry or the minister."
    b. "Rather, it is a spiritual transaction that provokes the release of financial fortune in the ultimate, among others."
3. Worship Offerings
    a. "We are admonished in Scriptures not to go into God's presence empty-handed."
    b. "This is because God takes cognizance of every offering we bring when we are in worship."
4. The covenant has never failed and it will not fail in our lives.
5. As we "play our part by engaging the covenant so as to commit God's integrity to perform in our lives…every financial stress will be terminated in Jesus' Name."

D. Prophetic Blessings

1. "In this global economic hard time, you and your household will never know how it feels.
2. "Every curse responsible for your financial challenges ends today.
3. "I decree that…you will have an encounter that will turn you into a mighty nation.
4. "Poverty will not be identified with your lineage again in Jesus' Name.
5. "From today, whatever has been sitting on your financial destiny is unseated in Jesus' Name.
6. "The great projects of your life will be executed without financial stress in Jesus' Name.
7. "Every curse responsible for your marital challenges comes to an end today.
8. "You shall be going up, going forward and scaling new heights in the name of Jesus.
9. "That broken home is restored in the Name of Jesus.
10. "You are changing levels supernaturally." —Bishop David Oyedepo

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Uncommon Faith

Faith for Your Vision

Day #311

A. Isaiah 54:2-3—The Command to Expand

1. The Lord gave me Isaiah 54 while praying over our vision.
2. Verses 2-3 (NKJV): "Enlarge the place of your tent, and let them stretch out the curtains of your dwellings; do not spare; lengthen your cords, and strengthen your stakes. For you shall expand to the right and to the left, and your descendants will inherit the nations, and make the desolate cities inhabited."
3. *Enlarge* (HEB) = To expand, to widen, to go beyond, to make more room, to increase capacity, to go further, to occupy new territories with no limits or boundaries
4. MSG: "Clear lots of ground for your tents! Make your tents large. Spread out! Think big! Use plenty of rope, drive the tent pegs deep. You're going to need lots of elbow room for your growing family. You're going to take over whole nations; you're going to resettle abandoned cities. Don't be afraid—you're not going to be embarrassed. Don't hold back—you're not going to come up short."
5. "There is no limit to how far we can go this year."

If we aren't increasing in faith, we're not doing it right.
Gloria Copeland

B. What Will It Take to Expand Our Vision?

1. There is much to be done to fulfill the vision of the ministry.
   a. 1967—"Preach this uncompromised Word of Faith from the top of the world and to the bottom and all the way around."
   b. 1976—"Put this message of faith on every available voice."
   c. 2017—"Get more aggressive about reaching the United States, Canada, the continent of Africa and the islands of the world."
2. Question and Answer
   a. "Lord, what will it take for us to fulfill our personal vision, as well as the vision for the church and ministry?"
   b. *You will have to develop an uncommon faith to believe and receive all that I have planned for you.*
3. He reminded me of Billye Brim quoting David Baron in *Glory Watch Magazine:* "God loves to communicate His absolute, limitless goodness to all. The only thing that limits Him from imparting His goodness to any human being is that person's capacity to receive."

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4. We all have an unlimited faith capacity.
5. How far we go is really up to us.

C. 1 Thessalonians 3:9-10—Paul's Strategic Faith Development Plan

1. Verses 9-10: "For what thanks can we render to God again for you, for all the joy wherewith we joy for your sakes before our God; night and day praying exceedingly that we might see your face, and might perfect that which is lacking in your faith?"
   a. Verse 10 (AMPC): "Mend and make good whatever may be imperfect and lacking in your faith."
   b. ESV: "Supply what is lacking in your faith."
   c. NLT: "To fill the gaps in your faith"
2. Paul had a strategic plan to move their faith up to the next level.
3. Two months later they had experienced stunning results.
4. 2 Thessalonians 1:3 (NKJV): "We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is fitting, because your faith grows exceedingly, and the love of every one of you all abounds toward each other."
   a. ESV: "Your faith is growing abundantly."
   b. NIV: "Your faith is growing more and more."
   c. MSG: "Your faith is growing phenomenally."
   d. NLT: "Your faith is flourishing."
5. We will take time to study God's strategic plan for us to go to the next level of faith.

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The Measure of Faith

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You've got to follow through in your faith!
—Gloria Copeland

A. Romans 1:17—The Levels of Faith

1. "For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith."
2. Mark 9:19—No faith ("O faithless generation.")
3. Luke 8:25—Misplaced faith ("Where is your faith?")
4. Matthew 14:31—Little faith ("And immediately Jesus stretched forth his hand and caught [Peter], and said unto him, 'O, [you] of little faith.'")
5. Romans 4:19—Weak faith ("And being not weak in faith….")
6. Romans 4:20—Strong faith ("He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God.")
7. Matthew 8:10—Great faith
    a. "…I have not found so great faith, no, not in Israel."
    b. *Great* (GK: *Megas)* = Enormous

B. 1 Thessalonians 3:9-10—Paul's Faith Development Plan

1. Verses 9-10: "For what thanks can we render to God again for you, for all the joy wherewith we joy for your sakes before our God; night and day praying exceedingly that we might see your face, and might perfect that which is lacking in your faith?"
2. Verse 10 (NLT): "…To fill the gaps in your faith"
3. Paul had a strategic plan to grow their faith.
4. It only took two months to see the results.
5. 2 Thessalonians 1:3 (NKJV): "We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is fitting, because your faith grows exceedingly, and the love of every one of you all abounds toward each other."
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C. Romans 12:1-3—Every Believer Begins With the Same Measure of Faith

1. Verse 3: "For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith."
2. 2 Peter 1:1: "Simon Peter, a servant and an apostle of Jesus Christ, to them that have obtained like precious faith with us through the righteousness of God and our Savior Jesus Christ."
    a. ESV: "To those who have obtained a faith of equal standing with ours"
    b. NLT: "I am writing to you who share the same precious faith we have."
    c. We have the same faith as Peter, Paul and Jesus.
3. Ephesians 2:8: "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God."
4. The most important thing to know about our faith: Every believer has been given the same measure of the God kind of faith.
5. Our faith will grow according to what we do with it.
    a. The question is, are we willing to do what it takes to develop our faith?
    b. To develop an uncommon faith, we will have to do some uncommon things.

You've gotta keep your faith current!
—Gloria Copeland

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Uncommon Faith

What Is Uncommon Faith?

Day #313

A. Hebrews 11:1—Translations

1. KJV: "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."
2. MOF: "Now faith means that we are confident of what we hope for, convinced of what we do not see."
3. MNT: "Faith is the title-deed of things hoped for, the putting to the proof of things not seen."
4. WEY: "Now faith is the confident assurance of that for which we hope, a conviction of the reality of things we do not see."
5. NEB: "And what is faith? Faith gives substance to our hopes and makes us certain of realities we do not see."
6. AMPC: "Now faith is the assurance (the confirmation, the title deed) of the things [we] hope for, being the proof of things [we] do not see and the conviction of their reality [faith perceiving as real fact what is not revealed to the senses]."
7. One translation says, "Faith is the warranty deed. The thing for which we have fondly hoped for is at last ours."

If it's not NOW, it's not faith!
—Gloria Copeland

B. What Is Uncommon Faith?

1. "Now faith is."
   a. Faith is always in the present tense and never tomorrow.
   b. Faith is grasping the unrealities of hope and bringing them into the realm of reality.
   c. The answer to what we need exists in the Word now.
   d. Our faith will go get it and bring it to us.
2. "Faith is the substance of things hoped for."
   a. It is the ground, confidence and assurance of what we desire.
   b. Anything with substance is tangible.
   c Faith is the raw material that produces the manifestation of what we desire to see in the natural.
   d. Faith brings into the hearing, seeing, feeling realm, those things not yet revealed to the physical senses, such as health and provision.

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3. Faith is the substance that brought the universe into existence—the unseen realm into the seen realm.
    a. Faith is the parent force of all that exists.
    b. Hebrews 11:3: "Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear."
    c. Our worlds are framed by the faith words that we speak.
4. Faith is the evidence of things not seen.
    a. What is presently not seen in your life?
    b. Your faith is the evidence that reveals it is yours now.
    c. Our faith should be all the proof we need that assures us of possessing what we can't see.
5. "If God's Word says it is mine, it is mine. That is all the proof I need."

C. Uncommon Faith Has It NOW!

1. What are you hoping for that is not seen?
    a. We hope for the finances to meet the need. Faith gives us the assurance that we will have the money NOW (Philippians 4:19).
    b. We hope for healing to deliver us from pain. Faith gives us the assurance that we are already healed NOW (1 Peter 2:24).
    c. We hope for peace to deliver our mind from worry. Faith gives us the assurance that we have the peace of God that passes all understanding NOW (Philippians 4:7).
2. Hope says, "I might have it someday."
3. Uncommon faith says, "If God's Word says it is so, then it is so."
    a. Uncommon faith says, "I see it NOW."
    b. Uncommon faith says, "I take it NOW."
    c. Uncommon faith says, "I have it NOW."

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Uncommon Faith

Bulldog Faith

Day #314

A. 1 John 5:4-5—The Aggressive Nature of Faith

1. "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith. Who is he that overcometh the world, but he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?"
2. Verse 4 (AMPC): "This is the victory that conquers the world, even our faith."
3. *Faith* (GK: *Pistis)* =
   a. Forward-directed and aggressive
   b. Always reaches forward toward its goal
   c. It boldly takes what rightfully belongs to it.
4. Hebrews 10:38-39: "Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him. But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition; but of them that believe to the saving of the soul."
   a. Aggressive faith is never passive.
   b. Aggressive faith never takes no for an answer.
   c. Aggressive faith never backs up, backs down or quits.
5. Aggressive faith is like a bulldog.

The devil excels in lying. We have to excel in the Word of God to keep things straight.
—Gloria Copeland

B. Bulldog Faith

1. A bulldog is stubbornly aggressive, persistent and determined.
2. It is a breed of remarkable ferocity, courage and tenacity of grip.
3. Its jaw protrudes, and its nose is indented in order to bite down on something and keep breathing until that thing is completely theirs.
4. Like a bulldog, we bite down on the Word of God and refuse to let it go.
5. Bulldog faith says, "God's Word is mine now. Devil, you can't take it from me. Be assured—when this fight is over, I win!

C. Mark 11:22-24—Faith Bites Down and Won't Let Go

1. Verses 22-24: "And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God. 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

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which he saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith. Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them."

   a. *Receive* (GK) = To take it with much force
   b. Seize with a grip that cannot be shaken off

2. Matthew 11:12 (NKJV): "From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and the violent take it by force."
   a. We take what is ours and won't let go.
   b. *Harpadzo* (GK) = To take by force
   c. Harpoon your prosperity and pull it in.
3. Galatians 6:9 (AMPC): "And let us not lose heart and grow weary and faint in acting nobly and doing right, for in due time and at the appointed season we shall reap, if we do not loosen and relax our courage [faith] and faint."
   a. I will not let go until I see the desired result.
   b. I will keep on confessing what is mine.
   c. I refuse to allow anything to discourage me.
4. Hebrews 10:23: "Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised.)"
   a. Keep constant pressure on the situation.
   b. Be relentless and unyielding in your attitude, words, thoughts and actions.
5. What God has so wonderfully given to us by His grace, we forcefully take and keep with our bulldog faith.

D. My Bulldog Faith Confession

I make a quality decision to live by bulldog faith.

I take hold of every faith project.

I receive them all completed ahead of schedule.

I refuse to quit. I refuse to let go. I refuse to give up.

I have fully persuaded faith.

My faith is aggressive, persistent and determined.

What God has promised, He is able to perform.

I see it. I take it. I have it.

This is the victory that conquers the world,

EVEN MY BULLDOG FAITH!

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Uncommon Faith

The Greatest Faith

Day #315

Foundation Scripture: **Matthew 8:5-13**

A. Matthew 8:8—Speak the Word Only

1. The highest form of faith is faith in God's Word and its authority alone.
2. The highest form of faith is faith in God's Word as evidence requiring no other proof to support it.
3. The lowest form of faith (or no faith at all) in God's sight is someone who demands a physical sign or manifestation before they will believe.
   a. John 20:26-31 Thomas had to see and feel before he would believe.
   b. Luke 1:18 Zacharias needed a sign because all he could think about was his old age.
4. The centurion had faith in the living Word of God.
5. He understood the power resident in the spoken Word of God.

B. Matthew 8:9—He Had a Revelation of Authority

1. As a man of authority, he commanded his soldiers to come, go and do.
2. As a man under authority, he responded to his superiors in the same way by coming, going and doing.
3. The centurion recognized that the disease was subject to what Jesus said as much as his men were subject to what he said.
4. "Lord, You say the Word and my servant will be healed."
5. He understood the concept of faith in Mark 11:22-24.
   a. Verse 23 (GO or REMOVE): "Whosoever shall say unto this mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea…."
   b. Verse 24 (COME or RECEIVE): "What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them."
   c. Verse 25, MEV (DO or RELEASE): "And when you stand praying, forgive if you have anything against anyone. "

C. Matthew 8:10—The Greatest Faith

1. Jesus marveled (was stirred, impressed, excited) at the centurion's uncommon faith.
2. He made mention of it to everyone, including His disciples.
3. The centurion was also using his faith for someone else.

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   a. He walked in the compassion of the Lord.
   b. Love makes faith work at its highest level.
   c. Faith works for the person on the giving end.
4. *Great faith* (GK: *Tosoutos)* = Enormous, so vast, so large, so long
   a. AMPC: "I have not found so much faith as this with anyone, even in Israel."
   b. Verse 11 (MSG): "This man is the vanguard of many outsiders who will soon be coming from all directions."
   c. *Vanguard* = A position at the forefront of new developments or ideas; spearhead, cutting edge
5. Verse 13 (NIV-84): "Then Jesus said to the centurion, 'Go! It will be done just as you believed it would.' And his servant was healed at that very hour."

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Steps to Developing an Uncommon Faith: Part 1

Day #316

A. Isaiah 54:2-3—Enlarge Your Vision

1. The Lord gave me Isaiah 54 while praying over our vision.
2. Isaiah 54:2-3: "Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes; for thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left; and thy seed shall inherit the Gentiles, and make the desolate cities to be inhabited."
3. I asked the Lord a question:
   a. "Lord, what will it take for us to fulfill our vision?
   b. His answer: *You will have to develop an uncommon faith to believe and receive all I have planned for you.*
4. We all have an unlimited faith capacity.
5. How far we go is up to us.

B. 1 Thessalonians 3:9-10—Paul's Faith Development Plan

1. "For what thanks can we render to God again for you, for all the joy wherewith we joy for your sakes before our God; night and day praying exceedingly that we might see your face, and might perfect that which is lacking in your faith?"
   a. Verse 10 (ESV): "To supply what is lacking in your faith"
   b. NLT: "To fill the gaps in your faith"
2. Two months later they were different.
3. 2 Thessalonians 1:3 (NKJV): "We are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is fitting, because your faith grows exceedingly, and the love of every one of you all abounds toward each other."
   a. ESV: "Your faith is growing abundantly."
   b. NIV: "Your faith is growing more and more."
   c. MSG: "Your faith is growing phenomenally."
   d. NLT: "Your faith is flourishing."
4. Romans 12:3—All believers start with the same measure of the God kind of faith.
   a. God hath dealt to us the measure of faith.
   b. We have the same faith as Peter, Paul and Jesus.
5. To develop an uncommon faith, we will have to take some uncommon steps.

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C. Hebrews 12:1-2—Step One: Receive Jesus as the Developer of Your Faith

1. Verse 2—We are to look to Jesus as the author and finisher of our faith.
2. Jesus will become our "Faith Trainer" when we decide to live by faith.
3. He will develop our faith the same way a trainer develops our body.
4. Expect Him to develop our faith every time we put our faith on the line.
    a. When we stand on 1 Peter 2:24 for healing
    b. When we stand on Philippians 4:19 for our needs
    c. When we stand on Romans 13:8 for our debt freedom
5. As our faith begins to grow, Satan's dominion begins to wane and circumstances will yield and no longer look overpowering to us.

Your life can depend on what you do with faith!
—Gloria Copeland

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Steps to Developing an Uncommon Faith: Part 2

Day #317

A. Proverbs 4:20-22—Step Two: Give the Word First Place and Make It Final Authority

1. "My son, attend to my words; incline thine ear unto my sayings. Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them in the midst of thine heart. For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all their flesh."
2. Luke 10:38-42—Mary gave the Word first place.
   a. How do we give the Word of God first place?
   b. We must build our schedule around the Word instead of trying to fit the Word into our busy schedule.
   c. "No Word, no breakfast." —Rick Renner
3. Matthew 8:5-10, 13—The centurion made the Word final authority.
   a. Make what God says the authority in your life.
   b. Make it the final word, even after all human reports are in.
4. Always ask, "What does God's Word say about my situation?"
5. Then say, "THAT is the FINAL WORD on this issue!"

B. Matthew 4:4—Step Three: Continually Feed on the Word

1. AMPC: "Man shall not live and be upheld and sustained by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God."
2. "The most important thing anyone can do is to feed their spirit on the Word of God in order to strengthen their faith. That is bigger than anything in this life." —Kenneth Copeland
3. The Word is faith food for your spirit.
4. God's Word contains the proper nutrients for developing strong faith.
   a. Romans 10:17—Faith grows by feeding on the Word.
   b. Job 23:12 (AMPC): "I have not gone back from the commandment of His lips; I have esteemed and treasured the words of His mouth more than my necessary food."
5. "If your mouth will feed your heart faith when you don't need it, your heart will feed your mouth faith when you do need it." —Terri Copeland Pearsons

Take the Word personally!
—Gloria Copeland

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C. Joshua 1:8—Step Four: Meditate the Word

1. "This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success."
2. Meditation in the Word builds your capacity for faith.
    a. It builds a greater image of prosperity in your heart.
    b. It expands your ability to believe and receive.
    c. It allows the Word to take root.
3. Meditating is fixing your mind on God's Word.
    a. It is spending time setting your thoughts on the Word.
    b. It is a God-given process that produces a permanent change in your thinking.
    c. Isaiah 26:3 (AMPC): "You will guard him and keep him in perfect and constant peace whose mind [both its inclination and its character] is stayed on You, because he commits himself to You, leans on You, and hopes confidently in You."
4. How to meditate the Word of God.
    a. Go to the Word that covers your situation.
    b. Apply that Word to the situation.
    c. Dwell on that Word until it changes your situation.
    d. Place yourself in agreement with the Word.
    e. Think about the desired result instead of the dreaded outcome.
5. The Word you meditate on will become the reality you desire.

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Uncommon Faith

Steps to Developing an Uncommon Faith: Part 3

Day #318

A. Steps to Developing an Uncommon Faith

1. In order to develop uncommon faith, you will have to take some uncommon steps.
2. Step One: Hebrews 12:1-2—Receive Jesus as the developer of your faith.
3. Step Two: Proverbs 4:20-22—Give the Word first place and make it final authority.
4. Step Three: Matthew 4:4—Continually feed on the Word.
5. Step Four: Joshua 1:8—Meditate the Word.

Everything depends on the follow-through.
—Gloria Copeland

B. Step Five: James 1:22-25—Act on the Word

1. Verse 22: "Be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves."
   a. Exercising your faith builds up your faith muscles in the same way physical exercise builds up your natural muscles.
   b. Expect Jesus to develop your faith anytime you put your faith on the line.
2. James 2:26: "For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also."
   a. Healed people should act healed.
   b. Prosperous people should act prosperous.
   c. Let the redeemed say so—whether or not you feel like it.
3. Satan will challenge uncommon faith by saying, "Look...."
   a. Mark 5:35-36 (AMPC): "While He was still speaking, there came some from the ruler's house, who said [to Jairus], Your daughter has died. Why bother and distress the Teacher any further? Overhearing but ignoring what they said, Jesus said to the ruler of the synagogue, Do not be seized with alarm and struck with fear; only keep on believing."
4. Mark 2:1-5—The paralyzed man was dropped through the roof.
   a. Jesus saw their faith.
   b. Their acting on the Word was visible.
5. Act as though the Word is absolutely true.

C. Step Six: Jude 20—Pray in the Spirit

1. AMPC: "But you, beloved, build yourselves up [founded] on your most holy faith [make progress, rise like an edifice higher and higher], praying in the Holy Spirit."

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2. 1 Corinthians 14:4: "He that speaketh in an unknown tongue edifieth himself."
3. *Edify* (GK) = Enlarging of a house; to augment, enhance and improve
4. To charge your faith like a battery; faith boost
5. Whenever you sense your faith is in a weakened condition, just spend some time praying in the spirit to build yourself up in your faith.

D. Step Seven: Psalm 34:1—Continually Give God Praise

1. "I will bless the Lord at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth."
2. If you want to enlarge your faith, cultivate a lifestyle of thanksgiving.
3. Praise and thanksgiving are mighty affirmations of faith.
4. What we do between the time we pray and see the manifestation is crucial.
   a. After the "amen" of our prayer, we continue to thank God for the manifestation of the desired result.
   b. "Because Your Word is true, I thank You and give You praise for my answer before I ever see it come to pass."
   c. Thanksgiving carries the ball down the field.
5. Psalm 67:5-7: "Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee. Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us. God shall bless us; and all the ends of the earth shall fear him."
   a. Praise and thanksgiving supernaturally compress the time it takes to receive the answer.
   b. They also produce greater results.
   c. "The depth of your praise will determine the magnitude of your harvest." —Jerry Savelle

You cannot plumb the depths of the Word of God, but you keep plumbing.
—Gloria Copeland

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Abraham's Stand of Faith

Day #319

Foundation Scripture: **Romans 4:16-25**

A. Verse 16: "Therefore it is of faith, that it might be by grace; to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of the faith of Abraham; who is the father of us all."

B. Verse 17: "(As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations,) before him whom he believed, even God, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those things which be not as though they were."

1. Abraham believed like God.
2. He spoke of things which were not as though they were.
3. *Called* (GK) = Summons; a command to appear

There's something better than a chicken coop!
—Gloria Copeland

C. Verse 18: "Who against hope believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations, according to that which was spoken, So shall thy seed be."

1. He believed in spite of the impossibilities of his age.
2. He spoke according to what God spoke in Genesis 15:5.
3. *According to* (GK) = To be in hearty agreement with

D. Verse 19: "And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sarah's womb."

1. Weak faith only considers what it sees on the outside.
2. Abraham refused to look at the external circumstances.
3. He kept his eyes focused on what God's Word declared about him.

E. Verse 20: "He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God."

1. *Stagger* (GK) = Waver, doubt, hesitate, question
2. He stayed single-minded and focused on the desired result.
3. James 1:5-8: "If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men

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liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him. But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord. A double minded man is unstable in all his ways."

4. Abraham was strong in faith, giving glory to God.
5. *Strong* (GK) = To empower, enable, increase in strength

F. Verse 21: "And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform."

1. *Fully persuaded* (GK) = Totally assured, completely confident, unquestionably convinced
2. Fully persuaded faith dares to believe God rather than circumstances.
3. He was fully assured that God was able to fulfill what He promised.

G. Verses 22–25: "And therefore it was imputed to him for righteousness. Now it was not written for his sake alone, that it was imputed to him; but for us also, to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe on him that raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead; who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification."

1. WE believe like God.
2. WE call those things which be not as though they were.
3. WE believe in spite of the circumstances.
4. WE are in hearty agreement with what God says about us in His Word.
5. WE refuse to look at the external circumstances.
6. WE don't stagger, waver, doubt, hesitate or question our faith stand.
7. WE are single-minded on the Word of God.
8. WE are strong in faith and give glory to God.
9. WE are fully persuaded, totally assured, completely confident and unquestionably convinced.
10. WE are fully assured that God is able to fulfill what He promised.

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Uncommon Faith

Release Your Faith for Prosperity

Day #320

A. Genesis 1:3—God Released Faith With His Words

1. "And God said, Let there be light: and there was light."
2. God used words of faith to create the universe.
   a. Words are God's method of operation by which He accomplishes His will, purpose and desire.
   b. He created, exercised dominion and subdued the universe with His words.
3. Psalm 33:6-9 (NLT): "The Lord merely spoke, and the heavens were created. He breathed the word, and all the stars were born. He assigned the sea its boundaries and locked the oceans in vast reservoirs. Let the whole world fear the Lord, and let everyone stand in awe of him. For when he spoke, the world began! It appeared at his command."
4. Hebrews 11:3 (NLT): "By faith we understand that the entire universe was formed at God's command, that what we now see did not come from anything that can be seen."
5. 2 Peter 3:5-7 (NLT): "They deliberately forget that God made the heavens long ago by the word of his command, and he brought the earth out from the water and surrounded it with water. Then he used the water to destroy the ancient world with a mighty flood. And by the same word, the present heavens and earth have been stored up for fire. They are being kept for the day of judgment, when ungodly people will be destroyed."

The universe still responds to the sound of faith!
—Gloria Copeland

B. Genesis 1:26: "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over...."

1. Genesis 2:7: "And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul."
2. God made another speaking spirit just like Himself.
3. We were created to release faith words just like Him.
4. 2 Corinthians 4:13: "We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak."
5. Job 22:28-29 (AMPC): "You shall also decide and decree a thing, and it shall be established for you; and the light [of God's favor] shall shine upon your ways. When they make [you] low, you will say, [There is] a lifting up; and the humble person He lifts up and saves."

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C. Mark 11:22-24—Release Your Faith

1. Verse 22: "And Jesus answering saith unto them, Have faith in God."
    a. Have the God kind of faith.
    b. We have been given the ability to use the same kind of faith that God uses.
    c. We have been given the ability to release our faith the same way God releases His faith.
2. Verse 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."
    a. Release your faith to remove whatever needs to go in your life, your body or your financial situation.
    b. Your words of faith will blow the mountain into the sea.
3. Verse 24: "Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them."
    a. Release your faith to receive whatever you need.
    b. Call it to you in the Name of Jesus.
4. Jesus will back your words.
    a. Hebrews 3:1: "Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus."
    b. He is the One sent to establish and watch over our profession of faith.
    c. He is the One called to bring those words to pass.
    d. Jeremiah 1:12: "I will hasten my word to perform it."
5. 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."
    a. Hebrews 10:23: "Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised.)"
    b. Galatians 6:9 (AMPC): "And let us not lose heart and grow weary and faint in acting nobly and doing right, for in due time and at the appointed season we shall reap, if we do not loosen and relax our courage and faint."

We've been given the ability, but what are we going to do with it?
—Gloria Copeland

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Living in the Overflow

Living in the Overflow

Day #321

"Anybody can do it. You can start out at minus,
but if you take God at His Word, you can have it."
—Gloria Copeland

A. John 10:10 (AMPC)—"The thief comes only in order to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have and enjoy life, and have it in abundance (to the full, till it overflows)."

1. Too many are struggling financially to get by.
2. They are just barely surviving, instead of thriving.
3. Some are living paycheck to paycheck.
   a. They are having to decide which bills not to pay this month.
   b. There is too much month at the end of the money.
4. They have no reserve in their savings accounts, if they even have a savings account.
5. That is not the abundant, overflow life that Jesus came to give us.

B. Romans 8:16-17—We Are Children of the King

1. Verses 16-17: "The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: and if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ."
2. We belong to The Royal Family.
3. We have a covenant of provision with God.
4. Confession of Faith:

   I am living in the overflow.
   I have a surplus of prosperity.
   I have more than enough.
   I am blessed beyond measure.

   My cup is running over.
   I am furnished in abundance.
   I receive multiple streams of income.
   My storehouses are full and overflowing.

   I am increasing more and more.
   The floodgates of heaven are opened
   and THE BLESSING is pouring out.
   There is not enough room to contain it all.

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5. Psalm 115:14—The Lord is increasing us more and more, we and our children.
6. His greatest desire is to see us live in the overflow.

Even if your bills are paid, there's always increase.
You have to have reserve to have more than enough.
That's living in THE BLESSING.
—Gloria Copeland

C. Romans 12:2—Where Do We Begin?

1. Verse 2: "And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God."
2. We must renew our minds to a world of abundance and overflow that we have never known before.
3. We must not limit the Holy One of Israel.
   a. Our God is not the God of not enough.
   b. Our God is not even the God of just enough.
   c. Our God is the God of more than enough.
   d. More than enough is more than can be calculated.
4. Living in the overflow means having enough to pay our tithes, offerings and bills—with a whole lot left over!
5. Philippians 4:19 (Rick Renner Translation): "My God will supply your needs so completely that He will eliminate all your deficiencies. He will meet all your physical and tangible needs until you are so full you have no more capacity to hold anything else. He will supply all your needs until you are totally filled, packed full and overflowing to the point of bursting at the seams and spilling over."

You could be muttering the Word that gives you deliverance—
the truth of the matter—rather than muttering words of fear.
—Gloria Copeland

You renew your mind from lack to abundance based on the Word of God.
—Gloria Copeland

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THE BLESSING Is More Than Enough

Day #322

A. Galatians 3:13—The Curse of Never Enough

1. Verse 13 (AMPC): "Christ purchased our freedom [redeeming us] from the curse (doom) of the Law [and its condemnation] by [Himself] becoming a curse for us, for it is written [in the Scriptures], Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree (is crucified)."
2. The threefold curse of the Law:
   a. Spiritual death
   b. Sickness and disease
   c. Poverty, lack and debt
3. The curse is a declaration that dooms someone to poverty.
   a. Never enough
   b. Always deficient
   c. Inadequate supply
   d. Insufficient funds
   e. "If it's bad, it's under the curse. It doesn't belong to us." —Gloria Copeland
4. Deuteronomy 28:29 (AMPC): "You shall not prosper in your ways."
5. We have been delivered from the curse of "never enough."

"God wants to overwhelm us with His BLESSING, with His goodness."
—Pastor George Pearsons

"When you think about the overflow of all good things, what comes next?
Joy! What is there to be sad about? Nothing!"
—Gloria Copeland

B. Galatians 3:14—THE BLESSING of More Than Enough

1. Verse 14 (NIV): "He redeemed us in order that the blessing given to Abraham might come to the Gentiles through Christ Jesus, so that by faith we might receive the promise of the Spirit."
2. The threefold BLESSING of Abraham:
   a. Spiritual life
   b. Healing and divine health
   c. Prosperity, abundant provision and overflow

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3. Genesis 1:28: "And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply [increase], and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over...every living thing…."
    a. These were the first words ever spoken to man that empowered him to spread the Garden of Eden.
    b. THE BLESSING equipped him with all the divine resources needed to carry on the work God began at Creation.
    c. "That's THE BLESSING, and that's God's will." —Gloria Copeland
4. Proverbs 10:22 (NKJV): "The blessing of the Lord makes one rich, and He adds no sorrow with it."
5. We have been delivered from the curse of never enough and we are living in THE BLESSING of more than enough—the overflow.

"When Jesus was raised from the dead into life,
we were raised from the curse into life.
When we made Him Lord of our lives,
we received full pardon from the curse."
—Gloria Copeland

C. Deuteronomy 28:1-14—THE BLESSING of Abraham Is All About Living in the Overflow

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Living in the Overflow

A Surplus of Prosperity

Day #323

"I've lived in the underflow, the no-flow, and the overflow. The overflow is better!"
—Gloria Copeland

A. Deuteronomy 28:11—The Lord Shall Make You Plenteous in Goods

1. God's desire is for us to live in the overflow.
2. 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."
3. *Plenteous* (HEB) = Abundance, more than enough, excess, much left over
4. *Plenty* = A more-than-adequate supply
5. *Goods* (HEB) = Prosperity, wealth, good things, the best things

"Here we have gravel and asphalt streets. In heaven they have gold *streets. That's overflow. Some may say, 'That's just excess.' But God doesn't think so!"*
—Gloria Copeland

B. Deuteronomy 28:11—Translations

1. MSG: "God will lavish you with good things…."
   a. *Lavish* (The Free Dictionary) = To expend or give in great amounts or without limit
   b. 1 John 3:1 (NIV-84): "How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God!"
2. BBE: "The Lord will make you fertile in every good thing…."
   a. *Fertile* (Merrimack-Webster) = Producing a large amount of something
   b. Genesis 26:12-13 (NIV): "Isaac planted crops in that land and the same year reaped a hundredfold, because the Lord blessed him. The man became rich, and his wealth continued to grow until he became very wealthy."
3. EXB: "The Lord will make you rich."
4. "Superabundance will the Lord give thee for good (for happiness and prosperity)." —*Commentary on the Old Testament in Ten Volumes, Volume 1, The Pentateuch*
5. *Superabundance* (dictionary.com) = Exceedingly or excessively abundant; more than sufficient

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"Who did God make all of these things for? His children!"
—Gloria Copeland

C. Deuteronomy 28:11 (AMPC)—"The Lord shall make you have a *surplus* of prosperity."

1. *Surplus* = An amount that is more than what is needed; excess, extra, leftover, overflow
2. THE BLESSING of Abraham includes a surplus of prosperity.
3. "Where does the surplus come from? It comes from THE BLESSING working on your behalf. It works, and it works, and it keeps working!" —Gloria Copeland

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Living in the Overflow

A Land That Overflows

Day #324

"Overflow—it's being saturated in THE BLESSING.
It's being overwhelmed by the goodness of God."
—Pastor George Pearsons

A. Deuteronomy 28:8

"The Lord shall command the blessing upon thee in thy storehouses, and in all that thou settest thine hand unto; and he shall bless thee in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee."

B. Deuteronomy 6:3

"Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe to do it; that it may be well with thee, and that ye may increase mightily, as the Lord God of thy fathers hath promised thee, in the land that floweth with milk and honey."

C. Deuteronomy 6:10-11

"And it shall be, when the Lord thy God shall have brought thee into the land which he sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give thee great and goodly cities, which thou buildedst not, and houses full of all good things, which thou filledst not, and wells digged, which thou diggedst not, vineyards and olive trees, which thou plantedst not; when thou shalt have eaten and be full."

D. Deuteronomy 8:7-10

"For the Lord thy God bringeth thee into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and depths that spring out of valleys and hills; a land of wheat, and barley, and vines, and fig trees, and pomegranates; a land of oil olive, and honey; a land wherein thou shalt eat bread without scarceness, thou shalt not lack any thing in it; a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills thou mayest dig brass. When thou hast eaten and art full, then thou shalt bless the Lord thy God for the good land which he hath given thee."

E. Leviticus 25:18-22 (ESV)

"Therefore you shall do my statutes and keep my rules and perform them, and then you will dwell in the land securely. The land will yield its fruit, and you will eat your fill and dwell in it securely. And if you say, 'What shall we eat in the seventh year, if we may not sow or gather in our crop?' I will command my blessing on you in the sixth year, so that it will produce a crop

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sufficient for three years. When you sow in the eighth year, you will be eating some of the old crop; you shall eat the old until the ninth year, when its crop arrives."

F. Leviticus 26:4-5, 10 (NIV-84)

"I will send you rain in its season, and the ground will yield its crops and the trees of the field their fruit. Your threshing will continue until grape harvest and the grape harvest will continue until planting, and you will eat all the food you want and live in safety in your land…. You will still be eating last year's harvest when you will have to move it out to make room for the new."

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Living in the Overflow

God's Storehouse in Heaven

Day #325

"We are living in the day of overflow. How? Because of THE BLESSING."
—Gloria Copeland

A. Deuteronomy 28:12—The Lord Shall Open Unto Thee His Good Treasure

1. *Treasure* (HEB) = Storehouse, a depository, treasure house; treasures such as silver and gold
2. BBE—His store-house in heaven
3. CEV—The storehouses of the skies
4. MSG: "God will throw open the doors of his sky vaults and pour rain on your land on schedule and bless the work you take in hand. You will lend to many nations but you yourself won't have to take out a loan."
5. *Open* (HEB) = To let loose

B. Words From the Lord Through Kenneth Copeland

1. "I have a great storehouse. Much more has been stored up in the storehouse of riches beyond your wildest dream that I have laid up before the foundation of the world. Much more is stored up there than what the Church has ever called for. I never held back on the Church, saith the Lord and the God of plenty. I've made it available to you. I put it in My Word. I gave you promise and stood behind it with the blood—the precious blood of your Savior." —November 10, 2011
2. "For all of you who take My Word and stand on it, the Kingdom is for you, the angels are for you, and all of heaven's reserves are at your call." —October 28, 2010
3. Isaiah 45:3 (AMPC): "I will give you the treasures of darkness and hidden riches of secret places, that you may know that it is I, the Lord, the God of Israel, Who calls you by your name."
    a. (MSG) "I'll lead you to buried treasure, secret catches of valuables."
    b. (GW) "I will give you treasures from dark places and hidden stockpiles."

"There's no crisis in heaven. They never run out."
—Gloria Copeland

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C. Philippians 4:19—God's Riches in Glory

1. Verse 19 (AMPC): "My God will liberally supply (fill to the full) your every need according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus."
2. *Riches in glory* (HEB) = Wealth, money, possessions, abundance, valuable bestowment
3. "Heaven is overloaded with things that I have prepared for your enjoyment." —word of the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, Aug. 7, 2009

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Living in the Overflow

Blessed Beyond Measure

Day #326

"We honor the Lord with our tithe, and He honors us with overflow."
—Gloria Copeland

A. Ephesians 3:20—Blessed Beyond Measure

1. This verse paints a picture of God's limitless, infinite supply.
2. Verse 20 (AMPC): "Now to Him Who, by (in consequence of) the [action of His] power that is at work within us, is able to [carry out His purpose and] do superabundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams]."
3. Provision that is beyond measure cannot be counted, measured or contained.

B. Genesis 13:14-17 (NLT)—"After Lot had gone, the Lord said to Abram, 'Look as far as you can see in every direction—north and south, east and west. I am giving all this land, as far as you can see, to you and your descendants as a permanent possession. And I will give you so many descendants that, like the dust of the earth, they cannot be counted! Go and walk through the land in every direction, for I am giving it to you.'"

"You talk about a giving God! You need to get in touch with Him!"
—Gloria Copeland

C. Genesis 41:46-49 (MSG)—"Joseph was thirty years old when he went to work for Pharaoh the king of Egypt. As soon as Joseph left Pharaoh's presence, he began his work in Egypt. During the next seven years of plenty the land produced bumper crops. Joseph gathered up the food of the seven good years in Egypt and stored the food in cities. In each city he stockpiled surplus from the surrounding fields. Joseph collected so much grain—it was like the sand of the ocean!—that he finally quit keeping track."

1. Verse 49 (NLT): It was "too much to measure."
2. NIV: "…it was so much that he stopped keeping records because it was beyond measure."
3. Luke 22:35—Being around Jesus, you lack nothing!
   a. "If it weren't the will of God, the disciples wouldn't have been able to receive it."
   —Gloria Copeland

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D. Philippians 4:19 (Rick Renner Translation)

"But my God will supply your needs so completely that He will eliminate all your deficiencies; He will meet all your physical and tangible needs until you are so full you have no more capacity to hold anything else. He will supply all your needs until you are totally filled, packed full and overflowing to the point of bursting at the seams and spilling over."

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Living in the Overflow

Furnished in Abundance

Day #327

A. 2 Corinthians 9:8 (AMPC)—Furnished in Abundance

1. "And God is able to make all grace (every favor and earthly blessing) come to you in abundance, so that you may always and under all circumstances and whatever the need be self-sufficient [possessing enough to require no aid or support and furnished in abundance for every good work and charitable donation]."
2. NIV-84: "God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work."
3. NLT: "God will generously provide all you need. Then you will always have everything you need and plenty left over to share with others."

"Look at God. There's more trees, more grass, than we know what to do with. There's so much gold in heaven, they make streets with it."
—Gloria Copeland

B. Consider the Word *Furnished*

1. Think about a home or apartment that is "fully furnished."
2. Nothing is missing for it to be occupied.
3. All-inclusive resorts (dining, pools, beaches, entertainment, sports)
4. "The phrase "thoroughly furnished" is from a Greek word which means to completely deck out or to fully supply. It was used to depict a ship that had previously been ill-equipped for traveling; but because it's owner had decked it out with new equipment and gear, this ship had become thoroughly furnished to sail anywhere in the world. The boat was fully supplied, completely equipped and thoroughly furnished." —Rick Renner
5. Proverbs 24:3-4 (ISV): "By wisdom a house is built; it is made secure through understanding. By knowledge its rooms are furnished with all sorts of expensive and beautiful goods."

"When we made Him Lord of our lives, we received full pardon from the curse."
—Gloria Copeland

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C. The Lord Wants to Completely "Deck Out" Our Lives and Ministries

1. He wants to provide everything we would need to supply our needs and the needs of others.
2. He wants us to be "furnished in abundance for every good work and charitable donation."
3. 2 Corinthians 9:8 (TCNT): "God has POWER TO SHOWER all kinds of blessings upon you, so that, having, under all circumstances and on all occasions, all that you can need, you may be able to shower all kinds of benefits upon others."

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Living in the Overflow

More Than Enough

Day #328

A. Overflow Is the Will of God

1. A description:
   a. Being able to pay your tithes
   b. Give your offerings
   c. Pay all your bills
   d. With much left over
2. The overflow is different from "just enough."
3. John 10:10 (AMPC)—"The thief comes only in order to steal, kill and destroy. I came that they may have and enjoy life, and have it abundance (to the full, till it overflows)."

"We need to be talking the language of overflow."
—Pastor George Pearsons

B. Psalm 78:41—Yes, Again and Again They Tempted God, and Limited the Holy One of Israel

1. We must not limit the Holy One of Israel.
2. Our God is not the God of not enough.
3. Our God is not even the God of just enough.
4. Our God is the God of more than enough.
5. We serve a too-much God!

"You've got to put your eyes on the Word to keep in faith,
otherwise you begin to say what's around you, instead of what's in you."
—Gloria Copeland

C. Exodus 36:3-7—Too Much Offering

1. Verses 3-7 (NKJV): "And they received from Moses all the offering which the children of Israel had brought for the work of the service of making the sanctuary. So they continued bringing to him freewill offerings every morning. Then all the craftsmen who were doing all the work of the sanctuary came, each from the work he was doing, and they spoke to Moses, saying, 'The people bring much more than enough for the service of the work which the Lord commanded us to do.' So Moses gave a commandment, and they caused it to be proclaimed throughout the camp, saying, 'Let neither man nor woman do any more work for the offering of the sanctuary.' And the people were restrained

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from bringing, for the material they had was sufficient for all the work to be done—indeed too much."

a. Isaiah 60:11: "Therefore thy gates shall be open continually; they shall not be shut day nor night; that men may bring unto thee the forces of the Gentiles, and that their kings may be brought."

2. Verse 7 (NLT): "Their contributions were more than enough to complete the whole project."
3. MSG: "There was plenty of material for all the work to be done. Enough and more than enough."

D. John 6:11-13—Too Much Bread and Fish

1. Verses 11-13 (NIV): "Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted. He did the same with the fish. When they had all had enough to eat, he said to his disciples, 'Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted.' So they gathered them and filled twelve baskets with the pieces of the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten."
2. Deuteronomy 28:11 (The Voice): "The Eternal will give you more than enough of every good thing…."
3. Luke 5:4-7—The catch of fish
   a. That day, Jesus turned around the fishing economy of the Galilee.
   b. A net-breaking, boat-sinking load
   c. This was an act of the authority of the believer being demonstrated by Jesus.
   d. Get the faith net out there and begin to believe and confess it.
4. We are going to experience an abundance and overflow like never before.

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Living in the Overflow

It's Flood Stage!

Day #329

A. Malachi 3:10-12—Bring Ye All the Tithes

1. "Tithing is the foundation to our life of prosperity." —Gloria Copeland
2. Verse 10 (NKJV): "...If I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you such blessing that there will not be room enough to receive it."
3. *Brenton:* "...See if I will not open to you the torrents of heaven, and pour out my blessing upon you, until ye are satisfied."
4. CEV: "...I will open the windows of heaven and flood you with blessing after blessing."
5. *Douay-Rheims:* "...If I open not unto you the flood-gates of heaven, and pour you out a blessing even to abundance."
6. NIV: "...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."
7. "God takes our tithe and reinvests it for our benefit." —Kenneth Copeland

"The tithe is all about honor."
—Pastor George Pearsons

B. Genesis 7:11-12, 17-20—The Floodgates of Heaven

1. Verse 11—The windows (HEB = floodgates) of heaven were opened.
2. Verses 17-20 (NLT): "For forty days the floodwaters grew deeper, covering the ground and lifting the boat high above the earth. As the waters rose higher and higher above the ground, the boat floated safely on the surface. Finally, the water covered even the highest mountains on the earth, rising more than twenty-two feet above the highest peaks."
3. Believe for a constant flood of God's abundant provision.

C. Ezekiel 34:26—There Will Be Showers of Blessing

1. This is not a light rain as religion has taught.
2. *Shower* (HEB) = To pour down violently
   a. A falling of things from the air in thick succession
   b. A falling of things in large quantities
   c. A copious supply; abundant, plentiful, full
3. Not a trickle, not a stream, not a river but a flood! It's flood stage!

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Prosperity Running Over

Day #330

"You have to get these truths into your eyes and ears and into your heart and then out of your mouth—and then it starts to change things."

"To grow, you're going to have to be fed."
—Gloria Copeland

A. Luke 6:38—Give and It Shall Be Given Unto You

1. *Good* (GK) = surpassing measure
2. Pressed down
3. Shaken together
4. Running over
5. Shall men give into your bosom
6. That's increasing mightily!

B. *Running Over* (Greek)

1. HYPER = Exceeding, abundantly above measure; an overwhelming overflow
2. EKCHEO = To pour out, to gush out and to spill over
3. To pour out such a surpassing and overwhelming overflow of harvest that it is exceeding, abundantly beyond measure, so huge that it cannot be counted and is impossible to be contained.

"If you're going to develop a mentality of overflow, you're going to have to feed on overflow."
—Pastor George Pearsons

C. Luke 6:38 (TPT)—"Give generously and generous gifts will be given back to you, shaken down to make room for more. Abundant gifts will pour out upon you with such an overflowing measure that it will run over the top! Your measurement of generosity becomes the measurement of your return."

We should be believing for a constant flowing out of heaven of THE BLESSING of God. The increase flow.

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D. Offering Confession

As I sow my seed of faith today,
I believe it will be given back to me.
It will pour out a surpassing overflow of harvest.
It will be exceedingly, abundantly beyond measure.
The harvest of my seed will be so huge
that it cannot be counted,
and will be impossible to be contained.
It will pour out upon me
with such an overflowing measure.
It will run over the top.
I believe it and receive it.
In the Name of Jesus!

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Tither's Rights

Tithing: Our Foundation for a Prosperous Life

Day #331

A. Luke 16:10-13—Handling Money Is Step One

1. Verse 10 (AMPC): "He who is faithful in a very little [thing] is faithful also in much, and he who is dishonest and unjust in a very little [thing] is dishonest and unjust also in much."
2. "We should think about what we are doing. Are we being faithful in the little? Somebody might say, 'Well, I just have a little.' Well, if you'll be faithful, you'll have more." —Gloria Copeland
3. Verses 11-12 (AMPC): "Therefore if you have not been faithful in the [case of] unrighteous mammon (deceitful riches, money, possessions), who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not proved faithful in that which belongs to another [whether God or man], who will give you that which is your own [that is, the true riches]?"
4. The handling of someone else's money is the testing ground and basic qualifier for Kingdom promotion and being entrusted with true riches.
5. This all begins with the proper handling of what belongs to God.

B. Leviticus 27:30—What Belongs to God?

1. Verse 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."
   a. NLT: "One-tenth of the produce of the land, whether grain from the fields or fruit from the trees, belongs to the Lord and must be set apart to him as holy."
   b. First things first: we must be faithful with the tithe.
   c. "If you're not faithful with the tithe, the 10 percent, then you're misusing God's money." —Gloria Copeland
   d. Tithing is an investment. The Lord turns around and uses it for our spiritual growth and development.
   e. "God takes that tithe, and He spends it on getting us whole." —Gloria Copeland
2. "Tithing lays the foundation for financial success and abundance." —Kenneth Copeland, *Word of Faith Study Bible*
3. "You will never increase supernaturally nor grow financially until you tithe." —Gloria Copeland, *Hidden Treasures*
4. "A tithe does not become a tithe when we give it. It becomes a tithe when we get it. The moment we receive our paycheck (or any other income), it becomes a tithe—not when we bring it into the house of God. It becomes a tithe the moment it comes into our hands." —Bill Winston, *The Power of the Tithe*

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a. The question is: What are you going to do with it?
b. Are you going to be faithful with what belongs to God?
c. Or, are you going to spend God's money on something else?

5. "You can't go buy a stereo with that tithe. The man will sell it to you. But, the devil just watched that transaction." —Bill Winston, *The Power of the Tithe*

"When you begin to desire to walk in God's prosperity, it is imperative that you start out on the first step of tithing. That is the foundation of prosperity. I can remember that we knew it was right to tithe, but we were so broke that we just didn't do it very well. We would tithe a few times and then we would let it get behind. Then, we would try to catch up. As long as we did that, we never enjoyed prosperity. But, when we made a determination to tithe because it was in the Word, then we walked in the blessings of God. Tithing is the foundation to prosperity."
—Gloria Copeland, *Bring Ye All the Tithes*

C. Malachi 3:8-12—A Tither's Bill of Rights

1. Verse 8 (AMPC): "Will a man rob or defraud God? Yet you rob and defraud Me. But you say, In what way do we rob or defraud You? [You have withheld your] tithes and offerings."
2. Verse 9 (AMPC): "You are cursed with the curse, for you are robbing Me, even this whole nation."
3. Verse 10 (AMPC): "Bring all the tithes (the whole tenth of your income) into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house, and prove Me now by it, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

TITHER'S RIGHT #1: PROVISION

4. Verse 11 (AMPC): "And I will rebuke the devourer [insects and plagues] for your sakes and he shall not destroy the fruits of your ground, neither shall your vine drop its fruit before the time in the field, says the Lord of hosts."

TITHER'S RIGHT #2: PROTECTION

5. Verse 12 (AMPC): "And all nations shall call you happy and blessed, for you shall be a land of delight, says the Lord of hosts."

TITHER'S RIGHT #3: PROMOTION

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Tither's Rights

The Tither's Top Ten

Day#332

A. Monday Review

1. Luke 16:12 (AMPC): "And if you have not proved faithful in that which belongs to another [whether God or man], who will give you that which is your own [that is, the true riches]?
2. The handling of someone else's money is the testing ground and basic qualifier for Kingdom promotion and being entrusted with true riches.
3. This all begins with the proper handling of what belongs to God.
4. Leviticus 27:30 (NLT): "One-tenth of the produce of the land...belongs to the Lord and must be set apart to him as holy.
5. "Tithing is the foundation to prosperity." —Gloria Copeland
    a. "When we started tithing, we were at *minus*—nothing was left over. But we saw it in the Word, and we said, 'We're going to tithe. We're going to do that first,' and that's the key." —Gloria Copeland
    b. "You don't wait until you think you can afford to tithe—you'll never get there." —Gloria Copeland

B. Malachi 3:8-12—A Tither's Bill of Rights

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2. Verse 9 (AMPC): "You are cursed with the curse, for you are robbing Me, even this whole nation."
    a. "If you think you can give God the leftovers, you won't even have leftovers."—Gloria Copeland
    b. "Think of a man that's not giving God His small part of his life's income. It's costing him everything. It's too expensive not to tithe, and it's too blessed to not tithe." —Gloria Copeland
    c. "There's a curse plan connected to not tithing. God's not doing it. You're doing it. God's not punishing you. You just haven't done what it takes to be blessed." —Gloria Copeland
3. Verse 10 (AMPC): "Bring all the tithes (the whole tenth of your income) into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house, and prove Me now by it, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it."

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TITHER'S RIGHT #3: PROMOTION

C. The Tither's Top Ten

1. The tithe is the top 10 percent of our gross income.
2. The tithe belongs to God.
   a. Matthew 22:21: "…Render therefore unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's; and unto God the things that are God's."
3. We present our tithes to Jesus.
   a. Deuteronomy 26:3 (AMPC): "And you shall go to the priest who is in office in those days...."
   b. Hebrews 7:8: "And here men that die receive tithes; but there he (Jesus) receiveth them, of whom it is witnessed that he liveth."
4. We give our tithes in faith.
   a. Hebrews 11:6: "But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him."
   b. "Without faith—tithing and faith—you're not eligible to receive THE BLESSING. We've got it made if we'll just do it."—Gloria Copeland
   c. "Don't just tithe. Tithe in faith. Do it believing that when you tithe, God rebukes the devourer for your sake. Tithe believing God's promise that He will open the windows of heaven and pour out such a blessing that you won't have room to receive it." —Gloria Copeland, *Hidden Treasures*
5. We tithe our tithes with words.
   a. The tithe is something we give.
   b. Tithing is something we say.
   c. Deuteronomy 26:3: "And thou shalt go unto the priest that shall be in those days, and say unto him...."
   d. Hebrews 3:1: "Consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession, Christ Jesus."
   e. We tithe the tithe by speaking over it from a heart full of faith. It's not just something mechanical that we do.

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"If you're not a tither I guarantee you, you can look back in your life, and you can see where your fruit was destroyed, where your situation didn't work out, where your job didn't come to full fruition, where you weren't able to do what you intended to do. That's what happens to people that don't tithe. What's missing? THE BLESSING!"
—Gloria Copeland

6. Tithing protects the remaining 90 percent of our income.
    a. Malachi 3:11: "I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, and he will not destroy the fruits of your ground."
    b. Give God what is His and He will protect what is yours.
    c. "As you honor God with the 10 percent that belongs to Him, He'll get involved with the rest. The other 90 percent will go further than ever before because you have gotten the supernatural power of God involved with your finances." —Gloria Copeland, *Hidden Treasures*
7. Tithing is the only place where God says, "Prove Me."
    a. Malachi 3:10 (NLT-96)—"Try it! Let me prove it to you!"
    b. MSG: "Test me in this and see if I don't open up heaven itself to you and pour out blessings beyond your wildest dreams."
8. Tithing is our covenant connection.
    a. "Refusing to tithe disconnects you from the covenant of blessing." —Gloria Copeland
    b. Joshua 6-8—Achan hid the tithe in his tent. Because of that, Israel was defeated at Ai. Achan confessed and Ai was defeated.
9. God reinvests our tithe for our spiritual benefit.
    a. "When you tithe, God is giving you the 90 percent and receiving just 10 percent for His work in the earth to provide ministry for you." —Kenneth Copeland, *Word of Faith Study Bible*
    b. "You can never out-give God! He always gives back His 10 percent to see to it that you are perfected, equipped and edified." —Kenneth Copeland, *Word of Faith Study Bible*
10. Tithing opens the door to THE BLESSING.
    a. "Tithing is the open door to THE BLESSING that God set forth that is going to meet your needs, give you what you need, bless you, keep you well and prosperous." —Gloria Copeland

"Ken and I never prospered for real until we started tithing. We always had financial trouble until we started tithing. It's not just doing it though. You have to put faith with it. Find out what the Word says and put faith in it."
—Gloria Copeland

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Tither's Rights

The Windows of Heaven

Day #333

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,
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 3:10

If you don't want blessing poured out on you and the windows of heaven open, you don't have to tithe.
—Gloria Copeland

A. "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"

1. Bring all your tithes into the storehouse.
   a. Depository
   b. Treasure house
   c. Magazine of weapons in God's armory
2. "Meat" is spiritual revelation of the Word.
   a. Your tithe goes where the Lord has stored up wisdom and revelation for you.
   b. Proverbs 2:7—He lays up sound wisdom for the righteous.
   c. Your tithe goes to where you are being rooted, grounded and established in the Word.
3. Deuteronomy 26:2—Take it to the place which the Lord your God has chosen.
4. Prove Me now.
   a. Malachi 3:10 (GNT)—"Put me to the test and you will see."
   b. Let me prove to you that tithing actually works.
5. "Notice that He said, 'Prove Me NOW.' Start tithing NOW. God is ready to move in your finances NOW. You wait...He waits." —Kenneth Copeland, *Bring Ye All the Tithes*

"George, take notice that the phrase, 'Lord of Hosts' is used 22 times in the book of Malachi.
That phrase is used in direct connection with a direct command of the angelic forces.
He is earmarking the job of the angels."
—Kenneth Copeland's comments to Pastor George

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"Lord of Hosts = Lord of all His armies and He will use them for whatever He needs. This has to do with His sovereignty. He will do whatever it takes."
—Gloria Copeland

B. "I will open the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing…."

1. *Windows* (HEB) = Floodgates. "Floodgates" mean:
   a. Google online dictionary = "A last restraint holding back an outpouring of something powerful or substantial"
   b. Merriam-Webster = "Something serving to restrain an outburst"
2. It is the same word used when the earth was flooded in Genesis 7:11.
   a. He will pour out a flood of blessing on the tither through the same windows He poured out the flood of water.
   b. For the tither, it is a great flood of every kind of provision.
   c. *Pour* (HEB) = Empty out
3. CEV: "I will open the windows of heaven and flood you with BLESSING AFTER BLESSING."
4. NIV: "See if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out SO MUCH BLESSING that you will not have room enough for it."
5. Insights

"Don't let Satan's excuses keep you from faithfully honoring God with your tithes. The 'windows of heaven' represent an outflow of God's blessing showering you in every part of your life. It is God responding to our obedience to His Word. Why would anyone want to close those windows in their life?"
—Jerry Savelle, "Three Tither's Rights Every Christian Should Know"

C. "There shall not be room enough to receive it."

1. ESV: "Put me to the test, says the Lord of Hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need."
2. NASB "[I will] open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you a blessing until it overflows."
3. ISV: "[I will] Pour out on you blessing without measure."
4. From Gloria Copeland's personal Bible notes on Malachi 3:
   a. "A flood of blessings can't be contained. Don't try to contain it. Let it go through you."
   b. "It will pour out until there is no more in heaven. If necessary, we will create more."
5. "Opening the sluices (A sliding gate or other device for controlling the flow of water) of heaven is a figure, denoting the most copious supply of blessing, so that it flows down from heaven like a pouring rain until there is no more need. It is poured down in superabundance." —*Commentary on the Old Testament, Volume 10*

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The Devourer Rebuked

Day #334

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. And all nations shall call you blessed:
for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the Lord of Hosts.
—Malachi 3:11-12

A. "I will rebuke the devourer."

1. *Rebuke* (HEB) = Cripple, paralyze, stop
2. *Devourer* (HEB) = To eat, seed eater, crop-destroying pest, consumed of fire, to burn up, to be wasted
3. The tither has rights, and one of those rights is protection from the devourer and his attempts to devour any area of your life.
4. One thing that is revealed in this scripture is that Satan is attracted to fruit.

He would like to destroy the increase God brings into your life.
Look at the things in your life that are growing or increasing—your family,
your ministry, your business and your relationship with God.
These are some of the fruits or increase that are in your life. God promised us that
Satan will not destroy our fruit and that He would give us divine protection.
—Pastor Bill Winston, *The Power of the Tithe*

5. "If you are in a financial situation that looks bad, come against Satan according to this scripture. Use your privileges as a tither to combat and defeat him. Speak the word of faith and rebuke the devourer." —Kenneth Copeland, *Bring Ye All the Tithes*

The tithe gives us position. The tithe blesses us.
The tithe puts us in position for victory.
—Gloria Copeland

B. "He shall not destroy the fruits of your ground…"

1. NIV: "I will prevent pests from devouring your crops."
2. MSG: "For my part, I will defend you against marauders, protect your wheat fields and vegetable gardens against plunderers."

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3. The devil will take advantage of money that is not tithed.
    a. You'll have to spend it on one crisis after another until it is all used up.
    b. After the refrigerator needs repair, the car breaks down.
4. Tithing is the barrier that stops the devourer from eating away at our lives, which includes our money, possessions, investments and time.
5. Tithers' rights cover every economic situation.
    a. They put you above and not beneath the economy.
    b. A.W. Copeland, a faithful tither, always had a job throughout the Depression.

C. "Neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time in the field."

1. "The tithe protects the harvest." —Gloria Copeland
2. NLT-96—Your grapes will not shrivel before they ripe.
3. *Cast* (HEB) = To miscarry
    a. Exodus 23:25-26 (NIV): "Worship the Lord your God, and his blessing will be on your food and water. I will take away sickness from among you, and none will miscarry or be barren in your land. I will give you a full life span."
    b. "The devourer should not cause the vine to be abortive, or cast its fruit before its time." —*John Gill, Exposition of the Old and New Testaments, Volume 6*
4. Give God what is His and He will be free to protect what is yours.
5. As a tither, your finances should not be drained.

"You're a tither: satan's power over you, financially, has been stopped!
When you stand on the covenant of God as a tither and exercise your tithing rights,
satan has no chance against you."
—Kenneth Copeland, *Word of Faith Study Bible*

D. "And all the nations shall call you blessed: for ye shall be a delightsome land, saith the Lord of Hosts."

1. Genesis 12:3 (GNT)—"Through you, I will bless all the nations."
2. One fifth of 1 percent of the world's population is Jewish.
3. Yet, the Jews have been at the center of most of the world's creative, scientific, innovative and cultural achievements.
4. They make up 23 percent of the Nobel Prize recipients.
5. Israel has the third highest entrepreneurship rate in the world.
    a. Highest rated among women in the world!
    b. Highest among those 55 and above in the world!

God planned for Israel to be so financially blessed
that they could loan money to other nations. Deuteronomy 28:12
'Thou shalt lend unto many nations, and thou shalt not borrow.'
—Gloria Copeland, Hidden Treasures

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The Blessing of Increase

Day #335

A. Proverbs 3:9-10—The Blessing of Increase

1. "Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the first fruits of all thine increase: so shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine."
2. AMPC: "Honor the Lord with your capital and sufficiency [from righteous labors] and with the first fruits of all your income; so shall your storage places be filled with plenty, and your vats shall be overflowing with new wine."
3. "We tithe the first and the best. The blessing of increase is on the rest." —Gloria Copeland
4. "God wants our first and our best. Why? Because He is going to give us His best. He wants our best because He is going to make us like Him." —Bill Winston, *The Power of the Tithe*
5. Give God what is His and He will increase everything that is yours.

B. Verse 10—"So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine."

1. The Old Testament was an agrarian culture. Agriculture was their primary medium of exchange and income.
2. Present day barns would be bank accounts.
   a. "Whatever you consider as your storage place, God says it will be filled with plenty. The Word says 'storage places' so expect big." —Gloria Copeland, *Hidden Treasures*
3. From John Gill's *Exposition of the Old and New Testaments, Volume 4*
   a. Your barns will be filled with, "plenty of corn; so that there will be a sufficient provision of bread for the ensuing year and of seed for the sower when the time of sowing returns."
   b. Instead of being, "losers by honoring the Lord with their substance, they should be gainers by it; instead of having less, (they) should have abundantly more."
   c. "As the former clause denotes plenty of eatables, so this of drinkables; and both fullness of all sorts of provisions, promised to the liberal man."

"*People think,* I don't even have enough now. If I tithe, I won't have enough for sure.
Well, that's why you don't have enough now. You are not giving God opportunity to come in and work on your money.
—Gloria Copeland

4. "As a result of our tithing, we will breakthrough into overflow." —*Commentary on the Old Testament, Volume 6*
5. "Tithing is the way to never go without. Instead, you'll watch your storage places fill up with plenty until they overflow with good things." —Gloria Copeland, *Hidden Treasures*

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C. From *God Is My Landlord* by Raymond J Jeffreys

The book and documentary tell the story of a Christian man named Perry Hayden. He ran his family's flower mill. When the mill was on the verge of bankruptcy in 1936, Perry consistently paid his tithes. As a result, the mill was saved.

One Sunday morning in 1940, Perry heard a guest minister preach a sermon in church about tithing. His scripture verse was John 12:24: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit."

When the service was over, Perry made a remarkable statement. "I am going to take God at His Word."

It was wheat planting time in Michigan, and Perry decided to plant one cubic inch of wheat—360 kernels—and see how much was, "Much fruit." He would tithe the first 10% and then plant the remaining harvest. He committed to do this for the next six years.

In the first year, it took a 4-foot by 8-foot plot of land to sow one cubic inch of seed. It was the smallest wheat field in the world. At harvest time, Perry carefully scraped the ground to get every kernel of wheat. Every precious seed counted. The first year produced a 50-fold harvest. There was much fruit.

He tithed 10% and sowed the rest.

In the second year, it took a 24' x 60' plot of land to sow the seed from the harvest of the first year. It took 16,200 kernels to plant the second crop, which was forty-five times larger than the first one.

He tithed the 10% and sowed the rest.

In the third year, it took nearly an acre to sow. Weather threatened the crop. Prospects for a successful harvest were very slim. Henry Ford personally attended to view the harvesting of the crop. He took out a well-worn New Testament from his pocket and read John 12:24 to some children remarking, "Here's the Word. There's the wheat." All involved picked up every kernel of wheat.

He tithed 10% and sowed the rest on a 14 acre field of Henry Ford's land.

In the fourth year, it took 14 acres to sow. Bushels instead of handfuls of kernels were sown.

The fourth crop produces 379 bushels.

One cubic inch of wheat had now grown to one million.

He tithed 10% and sowed the rest.

In the fifth year, it took 230 acres to sow.

The fifth harvest amounted to 5,555 bushels.

Perry tithed the 10% and sowed the rest.

In the sixth year, the final harvest required 2,666 acres and amounted to 72,150 bushels of wheat.

Three hundred sixty kernels had turned into 55 billion. And the largest yield was only 50-fold. The last harvest was valued at $150,000 in 1946. The amount today would be $2,031,791!

The experiment worked. God can bless our harvest when we tithe!

Tithing is the open door to THE BLESSING, and it's THE BLESSING that God set forth that is going to meet your needs, give you what you need, bless you, keep you well and keep you prosperous.
Our tithing opens that door for God to move supernaturally.
Tithing keeps the door open when you do it in faith.
—Gloria Copeland, *How to Reap Your Harvest Study Notes*

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2019—The Year of Abundant Harvest

Prophetic Word for 2019

Day #336

A. Amos 3:7—Prophetic Word for 2019

1. NLT: "Indeed, the Sovereign Lord never does anything until he reveals his plans to his servants the prophets."
2. 2 Chronicles 20:20 (NKJV): "…Believe in the Lord your God, and you shall be established; believe His prophets, and you shall prosper."
3. Word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland: "2019—The Year of Abundant Harvest."

B. Deuteronomy 30:9—A Picture of Our Year

1. NLT: "The Lord your God will then make you successful in everything you do. He will give you many children and numerous livestock, and he will cause your fields to produce abundant harvests, for the Lord will again delight in being good to you as he was to your ancestors."
2. *Abundant Harvest* = Overflow, surplus, more than enough, beyond measure, bumper crop
3. *Bumper crop* defined:
   a. In agriculture, a bumper crop is a crop that has yielded an unusually large and productive harvest.
   b. A bumper crop can also be a source of problems, such as when there is insufficient storage space for an overlarge crop.
4. "People a lot of times destroy their own harvest by being in strife. Good harvests come with love." —Gloria Copeland
5. There are no limits to the size of our fields or the ability to contain our harvests.

C. Galatians 6:7-9—What Is a Harvest?

1. "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. 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. And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not."
2. A harvest is the result of something we sow, good or bad.
3. This is the season to sow good seed. This is also the time to believe for crop failures.
4. "You can establish a 'receiving current' all the time when you walk in love." —Gloria Copeland
5. "This year, I will only sow good seed and will reap abundant harvests!"

We can sow right and we can receive right!
—Gloria Copeland

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2019—The Year of Abundant Harvest

Overflowing Harvests

Day #337

A. Psalm 65:11-13—Abundant Harvests Are Overflowing

1. NLT: "You crown [encompass, encircle, surround] the year with a bountiful harvest; even the hard pathways overflow with abundance. The grasslands of the wilderness become a lush pasture, and the hillsides blossom with joy. The meadows are clothed with flocks of sheep, and the valleys are carpeted with grain. They all shout and sing for joy!"
2. Psalm 126:6 (TPT): "They will return with joyful laughter and shouting with gladness as they bring back armloads of blessing and a harvest overflowing!"
3. Psalm 144:13 (TPT): "Our barns will be filled to the brim, overflowing with the fruits of our harvest."
4. "For it to manifest, you've got to believe it. You've got to switch over and believe what the Bible says—that's called faith! Faith is switching over from unbelief to belief." —Gloria Copeland
5. "If you don't say it, you haven't taken it. You continue to say it until it's manifest." —Gloria Copeland

B. Joel 2:22-24—Abundant Harvest Produce Maximum Results

1. AMPC: "Be not afraid, you wild beasts of the field, for the pastures of the wilderness have sprung up and are green; the tree bears its fruit, and the fig tree and the vine yield their [full] strength. Be glad then, you children of Zion, and rejoice in the Lord, your God; for He gives you the former or early rain in just measure and in righteousness, and He causes to come down for you the rain, the former rain and the latter rain, as before. And the [threshing] floors shall be full of grain and the vats shall overflow with juice [of the grape] and oil."
    a. Verse 22 (MSG): "The trees are bearing fruit again: a bumper crop of fig trees and vines!"
2. Zechariah 8:12 (NIV): "The seed will grow well, the vine will yield its fruit, the ground will produce its crops, and the heavens will drop their dew. I will give all these things as an inheritance to the remnant of this people."
    a. Verse 12 (MSG): "Gardens will flourish."
3. Amos 9:13 (NLT): "'The time will come,' says the Lord, 'when the grain and grapes will grow faster than they can be harvested.'"

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C. Proverbs 3:9-10—Tithing Is Key to Overflowing Harvests

1. NIV: "Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine."
2. MSG: "Honor God with everything you own; give him the first and the best. Your barns will burst, your wine vats will brim over."
3. Malachi 3:11 (NIV): "'I will prevent pests from devouring your crops, and the vines in your fields will not drop their fruit before it is ripe,' says the Lord Almighty."

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Supernatural Harvests

Day #338

A. Genesis 26:1, 12-14—Supernatural Harvests in Spite of Famine

1. Verse 1—There was a famine in the land.
   a. Serious economic downturn
   b. Severe shortage
   c. Extreme scarcity
2. Verses 12-14: "Then Isaac sowed in that land, and received in the same year an hundredfold: and the Lord blessed him. And the man waxed great, and went forward, and grew until he became very great: For he had possession of flocks, and possession of herds, and great store of servants: and the Philistines envied him."
   a. The normal yield in Gerar was less than 25-fold.
   b. Isaac reaped a hundredfold in the same year!
   c. He didn't eat his seed.
3. "You've always got a seed if you'll just think about it. Do something for somebody." —Gloria Copeland
4. Verses 12-13 (MSG): "Isaac planted crops in that land and took in a huge harvest. God blessed him. The man got richer and richer by the day until he was very wealthy."
   a. In times of famine, we don't just survive—we thrive!
   b. Psalm 37:18-19 (NLT): "Even in famine they will have more than enough."
   c. Hebrew = He will supply until no more is needed.
5. "Don't ever be jealous of another's man harvest if you want a harvest yourself." —Gloria Copeland

"It doesn't matter what's happening around us.
It matters what's happening in us!
Faith is happening in us!"
—Gloria Copeland

B. Jeremiah 17:5-8—Supernatural Harvest in Spite of Economic Conditions

1. NLT: "Cursed are those who put their trust in mere humans, who rely on human strength and turn their hearts away from the Lord. They are like stunted shrubs in the desert, with no hope for the future. They will live in the barren wilderness, in an uninhabited salty land. But blessed are those who trust in the Lord and have made the Lord their hope and confidence. They are like trees planted along a riverbank, with roots that reach deep into the water. Such trees are not bothered by the heat or worried by long

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months of drought. Their leaves stay green, and they never stop producing fruit."

2. Verses 7-8 (NIV-84): "Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him. He will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit."
3. Verse 8 (MSG): "Never a worry through the hottest of summers, never dropping a leaf, serene and calm through droughts, bearing fresh fruit every season."

C. John 6:11-13—Immediate Harvests

1. NIV: "Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted. He did the same with the fish. When they had all had enough to eat, he said to his disciples, "Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted." So they gathered them and filled twelve baskets with the pieces of the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten."
2. "I had made plans to attend one of Brother Copeland's meetings. At that time, I needed a $10,000 miracle for a particular need. I almost didn't attend but I knew I needed to be there. I decided to bring my $1,000 seed to the meeting to sow toward a harvest of $10,000. Before the seed was in the ground, the $10,000 showed up!"
3. Amos 9:13 (NLT): "'The time will come,' says the Lord, 'when the grain and grapes will grow faster than they can be harvested.'"

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Extreme Harvests

Day #339

A. Leviticus 26:3-5, 9-10—An Extreme Surplus of Crops

1. Verses 3-5, 9 (TLB): "If you obey all of my commandments, I will give you regular rains, and the land will yield bumper crops, and the trees will be loaded with fruit long after the normal time! And grapes will still be ripening when sowing time comes again. You shall eat your fill, and live safely in the land…. I will look after you, and multiply you, and fulfill my covenant with you."
2. We are not limited to one big harvest a year.
3. "Our supernatural Word crop can be sown and reaped at any time." —Gloria Copeland
4. Verse 10 (NLT): "You will have such a surplus of crops that you will need to clear out the old grain to make room for the new harvest!"
5. Verse 10 (NIV): "You will still be eating last year's harvest when you will have to move it out to make room for the new."

B. Numbers 13:23—Extremely Large Produce

1. NLT: "When they came to the valley of Eshcol, they cut down a branch with a single cluster of grapes so large that it took two of them to carry it on a pole between them! They also brought back samples of the pomegranates and figs."
2. Exactly how large was this cluster?
   a. According to the Guinness Book of World Records, the largest modern cluster of grapes was grown by a man in Chile and weighed a little less than 21 pounds.
   b. It does not take two men to carry 21 pounds.
   c. The cluster must have been extremely heavy.
3. Commentary from the Chumash, pages 944-945:
   a. Verse 23: "They came to the Valley of Eshkol and they cut a branch with a cluster of grapes and they carried it on (two) double poles."
   b. Rashi writes, "Eight of them took the bunch of grapes, one took a fig and one took a pomegranate."

C. Leviticus 25:21-22—The Abundant Harvest Blessing Is Upon Us!

1. Because THE BLESSING is upon us, we will reap record-breaking, award-winning, extreme bumper-crop harvests.
2. Leviticus 25:21-22 (ESV): "I will command my blessing on you in the sixth year, so that it will produce a crop sufficient for three years. When you sow in the eighth year, you

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will be eating some of the old crop; you shall eat the old until the ninth year, when its crop arrives."

3. Verses 21-22 (MSG): "I assure you, I will send such a blessing in the sixth year that the land will yield enough for three years. While you plant in the eighth year, you will eat from the old crop and continue until the harvest of the ninth year comes in."
4. Genesis 41:46-49 (MSG): "Joseph was thirty years old when he went to work for Pharaoh the king of Egypt. As soon as Joseph left Pharaoh's presence, he began his work in Egypt. During the next seven years of plenty the land produced bumper crops. Joseph gathered up the food of the seven good years in Egypt and stored the food in cities. In each city he stockpiled surplus from the surrounding fields. Joseph collected so much grain—it was like the sand of the ocean!—that he finally quit keeping track."
5. Verse 49 (NIV): "Joseph stored up huge quantities of grain, like the sand of the sea; it was so much that he stopped keeping records because it was beyond measure."

There is an extreme, abundant harvest in every seed we sow!

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How to Reap an Abundant Harvest

Day #340

A. Mark 4:26-29—Reaping Is Our Responsibility

1. "So is the kingdom of God, as if a man should cast seed into the ground; and should sleep, and rise night and day, and the seed should spring and grow up, he knoweth not how. For the earth bringeth forth fruit of herself; first the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear. But when the fruit is brought forth, immediately he puts in the sickle, because the harvest is come."
2. Reaping is not automatic.
3. The harvest won't jump from the field to the barn by itself.
4. It would be wrong for a farmer to leave his harvest standing in the field.
    a. Proverbs 10:5 (MSG): "Make hay while the sun shines—that's smart; go fishing during harvest—that's stupid."
    b. Just think about Pop's peaches.
    c. "If you want to taste it, you have to harvest it." —Gloria Copeland
    d. "You pick it, you pack it, you ship it." —Gloria Copeland
5. "If you haven't thought of yourself as a harvester before now, start thinking of yourself that way. Renew your mind to the truth of God's Word. Dare to believe the Lord of the harvest is calling you—yes, you—to help Him bring in His end-time crops. He is speaking to you and saying, 'Until now, you've known Me as the Lord over your seed. You've known Me as your bread provider. But, I want you to know Me now as Lord and Minister of the harvest." —from *Get Your Mind on the Harvest* by Kenneth Copeland

B. Isaiah 41:15—We Reap With Words of Faith

1. "Behold, I will make thee a new sharp threshing instrument having teeth: thou shalt thresh the mountains, and beat them small, and shalt make the hills as chaff."
2. *Having teeth* (HEB) = Mouths
3. When it talks about the farmer putting in the sickle, it's the mouth.
4. "When harvest time comes, you'd better call it in!" —Gloria Copeland
5. We reap the harvest the same way we acquire anything else—by our words of faith.
6. Your mouth is your harvesting instrument.
7. Send the harvesting angels to gather it up.

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C. Psalm 67:5-6—Praise Is the Key to an Abundant Harvest

1. "Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee. Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God, even our own God, shall bless us."
2. "Once you sow the seed, you have to go from being seed-minded to harvest-minded." —Dr. Oral Roberts
3. "Once you sow your seed, keep feeding it faith. Faith is the fertilizer." —Gloria Copeland
4. The depth of your praise will determine the magnitude of your harvest.
   a. Praise gives voice to our faith in God's Word.
   b. Praise is like Miracle-Gro®—it moves things along faster.
   c. The more we praise, the bigger the harvest.
5. Galatians 6:9 (AMPC): "Let us not lose heart and grow weary and faint in acting nobly and doing right, for in due time and at the appointed season we shall reap (an abundant harvest), if we do not loosen and relax our courage and faint."

You can't quit tithing. You can't quit sowing. You can't quit saying.
You can't quit believing. You can't quit harvesting.
That is the cycle of an abundant harvest.
—Gloria Copeland and Pastor George Pearsons

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The Laws of Prosperity

The New Standard

Day #341

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

A. The Laws of Prosperity Background

1. God first dealt with Brother Copeland about the laws of prosperity in 1967.
2. It was during a series of meetings at a very small church, in a very small town in the Texas Panhandle.
3. For years, he had entertained the idea that success was not an accident and had nothing to do with luck.
4. He had read many secular success books, but found no answers that satisfied him.
5. It finally occurred to him that the Bible was written by the most successful individual alive—God!

B. Early Applications of the Laws of Prosperity

1. When Kenneth and Gloria first began to put these laws into practice, they had "nothing around them except problems."
2. They were deeply in debt and lived in poor surroundings when they left Oral Roberts University to step into full-time ministry.
3. They used God's Word as "The New Standard" by which they would live.
4. Everything they did had to be by faith—or not at all.
5. They made quality decisions that seemed impossible to fulfill:
    a. Never ask anyone for anything, including money and places to minister.
    b. Don't borrow money according to Romans 13:8 (AMPC).
    c. Tell your needs only to God and expect what He has written in His Word to produce the results.

C. Results Proved Successful for More Than 50 Years

1. These strict standards of living actually became a blessing.
2. They prayed, confessed their faith, and stood on God's Word "when every circumstance spelled absolute doom."
    a. Things began to happen FOR them instead of TO them.
    b. They became debt free in eleven months.

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3. Through the years, the rise in interest rates, medical costs and the economic fluctuations have not affected their lives or their ministry.
4. Instead, they have experienced the peace and rest that comes from knowing how to operate God's laws of prosperity, instead of being forced to seek help from the world's system.
5. The purpose of this study is to share these tried and proven laws that govern supernatural increase and prosperity.

"Stay with the Word. It takes faith and patience when you're turning a natural situation around."
—Gloria Copeland

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The Laws of Prosperity

Is Prosperity Evil?

Day #342

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

A. Prosperity Defined

1. *Prosper* (GK) = Help on the road
2. A prosperous journey
   a. A happy journey on a particular road
   b. To be on the right, profitable path that leads to real success and good fortune
3. To be successful
   a. To succeed in reaching your destination
   b. To succeed in business affairs
4. To grant a prosperous and expeditious journey
5. *To prosper* is to excel and succeed at something desirable, and to advance to the highest place possible.
6. We need to know the laws that govern prosperity and act on them.
7. "Hearing the Word puts you in position to begin to receive. When you're in position, you either can act on the Word or you can let it fall by the wayside." —Gloria Copeland

B. 3 John 11—Prosperity Is Not Evil

1. When the Apostle John wrote this, he had been a Christian for a long time.
2. He had walked with Jesus and watched Him closely throughout His ministry.
3. He was a wise, mature, respected elder in the Church when he wrote that we should prosper and be in health—and when he wrote verse 11.
4. Verse 11: "Beloved, follow not that which is evil, but that which is good. He that does good is of God: but he that does evil hath not seen God."
5. If prosperity were evil, why would John want us to prosper?
6. "If you believe the Word, you take it, and you begin to say it, act on it and expect it—things will begin to change." —Gloria Copeland
7. "Don't quit. You can't ever quit. You have to keep believing God, keep saying the right thing, keep doing the right thing—and you'll come out!" —Gloria Copeland

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C. 1 Timothy 6:10—Money Is Not Evil

1. Through our traditional ideas, we have been led to believe that prosperity is bad, ungodly and evil.
2. There is nothing wrong with prosperity and money in itself.
3. Verse 10: "For the LOVE of money is the root of all evil."
   a. Poor people commit this sin who don't have a dime.
   b. Rich people are not condemned but instructed.
4. Verses 17-19 (NLT): "Teach those who are rich in this world not to be proud and not to trust in their money, which is so unreliable. Their trust should be in God, who richly gives us all we need for our enjoyment. Tell them to use their money to do good. They should be rich in good works and generous to those in need, always being ready to share with others. By doing this they will be storing up their treasure as a good foundation for the future so that they may experience true life."
5. 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."

"We never did anything financially that counted for anything much until we became tithers, and we became tithers when we didn't have money to tithe."

—Gloria Copeland

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The Laws of Prosperity

Living in Prosperity

Day #343

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

A. Psalm 25:12-13—Days of Prosperity

1. NIV: "Who, then, are those who fear the Lord? He will instruct them in the ways they should choose. They will spend their days in prosperity, and their descendants will inherit the land."
2. "Your soul has got to prosper first from the Word of God because that's where faith is—and faith is what gets results. Faith is the substance." —Gloria Copeland
3. A prosperous soul comes by meditating on the Word.
4. NLT: "They will live in prosperity."
5. KJV: "His soul shall dwell at ease."
    a. *Ease* (HEB) = Prosperity, bountiful wealth
    b. Good in the widest possible sense

B. Job 36:11—Years of Pleasures

1. "If they obey and serve him, they shall spend their days in prosperity and their years in pleasures."
2. *Pleasures* (HEB) = Your years will be delightful, pleasant and sweet
3. ESV: "If they listen and serve him, they complete their days in prosperity, and their years in pleasantness."
4. NLT: "If they listen and obey God, they will be blessed with prosperity throughout their lives. All their years will be pleasant."
5. NIV: "If they obey and serve him, they will spend the rest of their days in prosperity and their years in contentment."

C. Expect Prosperity Every Day for the Rest of Your Life

1. Psalm 68:19: "Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits, even the God of our salvation."
    a. BBE: "[He] is our support day by day."
    b. DRB: "He will make our journey prosperous."

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2. Matthew 6:11: "Give us this day our daily bread."
    a. DRB: "Give us this day our supersubstantial bread."
    b. TPT: "We acknowledge you as our Provider of all we need each day."
3. Job 36:11 (NIV): "If they obey and serve him, they will spend the rest of their days in prosperity and their years in contentment."
    a. *Spend* (HEB) = Complete, live out, accomplish and end his days in prosperity
    b. "What we want to do is complete our days in prosperity. Natural thinkers have a tendency to think just the opposite. They begin to see themselves *without* instead of *with*. If you feel that way, you're seeing yourself not growing and increasing, instead of believing God actively, like you probably did when you first got into faith." —Gloria Copeland
    c. Psalm 92:12-14: "The righteous shall flourish like the palm tree: he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon. Those that be planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God. They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and flourishing."

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The Laws of Prosperity

The Full Scope of Prosperity

Day #344

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

A. Prosperity Is More Than Just Money

1. Prosperity applies to every part of our lives.
2. To prosper is to succeed at everything we do.
3. 3 John 2 (TPT): "Beloved friend, I pray that you are prospering in every way and that you continually enjoy good health, just as your soul is prospering.
4. BBE: "My loved one, it is my prayer that you may do well in all things, and be healthy in body, even as your soul does well."
5. WNT: "My dear friend, I pray that you may in all respects prosper and enjoy good health, just as your soul already prospers."

B. Philippians 4:19—Prosperity in Every Area of Life

1. Verse 19 (AMPC): "And my God will liberally supply (fill to the full) your every need according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus."
2. Rick Renner Translation: "My God will supply your needs so completely that He will eliminate all your deficiencies. He will meet all your physical and tangible needs until you are so full you have no more capacity to hold anything else. He will supply all your needs until you are totally filled, packed full and overflowing to the point of bursting at the seams and spilling over."
3. The world's definition of prosperity is very limited in scope to financial ability and power.
   a. By its own admission, it goes only so far.
   b. The world admits that it has no power to overcome poverty, sickness, and spiritual and social ills.
4. You can have all the money in the world and still be poverty-stricken spiritually, mentally and physically.
5. True prosperity is the ability to use God's power to meet the needs of mankind in any realm of life—regardless of what those needs may be.

"What is prosperity? That's THE BLESSING on something."
—Gloria Copeland

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C. Prosperity Includes Success in Every Realm of Life—Spirit, Soul, Body, Financial, Relational and Political

1. Spiritual prosperity
    a. Born again and Spirit filled
    b. Fellowship with the Father
    c. Working with the Father in prayer
    d. Effective soul winner
    e. Revelation of the Word
    f. Spiritual prosperity positions us to receive all the things promised in His Word.
2. Prosperity of the soul—mind, will and emotions
    a. Peace in your mind
    b. Alignment of your will to God's will
    c. Stability in your emotions
    d. Being able to use accumulated knowledge
3. Physical prosperity
    a. Living in divine health
    b. Protection
    c. Fear free
4. Financial prosperity
    a. Increase and abundance
    b. Bills paid
    c. Debt freedom
    d. Success in all endeavors
5. Relational prosperity
    a. Love in your home
    b. Devotion in marriage
    c. Obedient children
    d. Healthy relationships
6. Political prosperity
    a. A God-fearing nation
    b. Godly leadership
    c. Support for Israel

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The Laws of Prosperity

How to Reap an Abundant Harvest

Day #345

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

A. True Prosperity Defined by Kenneth Copeland

1. True prosperity is the ability to use the power of God to meet the needs of mankind in every realm of life—spirit, soul, body, financially, socially.
2. True prosperity is when you make it your need to get salvation into the hands of people and when you make it your purpose to feed the gospel to the unsaved.
3. True prosperity is the ability to look a man in the eye in his moment of impossibility and take his needs on as your own.
4. True prosperity is walking with God to be able and equipped to do for others whatever He needs done, whenever He needs it done and with whatever He needs it done.
5. True prosperity is not for keeping your bills paid and your body well just so you can lie around and watch TV in comfort. God is not prospering us to get us out of debt so we can get into bigger debt. He is not prospering us so we can buy and buy and buy. He is prospering us so we can give and give and give.

"Sowing and giving is really about hearing God.
It's doing what He says with what you have, and then you get blessed.
And you do it again, and you get more blessed."
—Gloria Copeland

B. Genesis 12:2—Our Motivation for Accumulation Is Distribution

1. Genesis 12:2 (AMPC): "I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you [with abundant increase of favors] and make your name famous and distinguished, and you will be a blessing [dispensing good to others]."
2. Philippians 2:4 "Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others."
3. Galatians 6:10 (KNOX): "Let us practice generosity to all while the opportunity is ours, and above all, to those who are one family with us in the household of faith."
    a. Creflo Dollar emptied his entire account and sowed the money toward KCM's airplane. He put KCM's need above his own

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   b. Kenneth and Gloria Copeland have sown over 30 airplanes, placing others' needs above their own.
4. 1 Corinthians 10:24: "Let no man seek his own, but every man another's wealth."
5. "A man's life consists not in the abundance of the things he possesses, but in the abundance of the things he sows." —Kenneth Copeland

"You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous
in every occasion, and through us your generosity
will result in thanksgiving to God."
—2 Corinthians 9:11, NIV

The result of prosperity is thanksgiving to God.

"Who do you think is going to finance the gospel if everybody's broke?
And what are people going to do if they can't hear the Gospel?
Somebody in the Church has got to prosper and
take care of the people that need to hear the Word."
—Gloria Copeland

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Heirs of God (Review)

Heirs to a Fortune

Day #346

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

A. From "Receive Your Inheritance" by Gloria Copeland

1. "Have you ever been invited to an attorney's office for the reading of a will? I haven't. Where I came from, there was never enough money left for the relatives to fight over when someone died. Most of the people I knew didn't leave wills—they left bills.
2. "But, glory to God, that is not the case anymore. I became heir to a fortune many years ago in Little Rock, Arkansas, when I gave my life to Jesus.
3. "At that moment I was born again into the richest family ever known. I was born into the royal family that owns and operates the universe. I received an inheritance so vast, it will take me all of eternity to fully comprehend it.
4. "Some people get excited about tracing their natural family history. They like to know if they have great people in their family tree because it makes them feel like they have come from good stock.
5. "You and I ought to be that way about our heritage as believers. Our ancestors are the greatest men and women who ever walked the face of the earth. We can trace our linage back to Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Joseph, King David...all the way to Jesus. Think about that! Those are our forefathers.
6. "'Now wait a minute,' you might say. 'Those are Jewish men. They lived in Canaan and Israel. You are an American from Arkansas! You are not part of that family.'
7. "Well, not physically. But, spiritually, according to the Bible, 'Yes I am.' And if you've made Jesus Christ the Lord of your life, you are too."

B. Galatians 3:13-14—Heirs According to the Promise

1. Verses 13-14: "Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree: that the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith."
2. Verse 29: "And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise."

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3. AMPC: "And if you belong to Christ [are in Him Who is Abraham's Seed], then you are Abraham's offspring and [spiritual] heirs according to promise."
4. MSG: "Since you are Christ's family, then you are Abraham's famous 'descendant,' heirs according to the covenant promises."
5. TPT: "And since you've been united to Jesus the Messiah, you are now Abraham's 'child' and inherit all the promises of the kingdom realm!"

C. "I became heir to a fortune…when I gave my life to Jesus." —Gloria Copeland

1. All that belongs to the Father became ours when we were born again.
2. We became heirs of God—children of the King—with the right to partake of our full inheritance.
3. Many don't realize they are heirs.
4. They are ignorant of all that belongs to them in their inheritance.
   a. Article headline from the Dec. 30, 2012 issue of London's Daily Mail newspaper
   b. "Homeless man who didn't know he was a millionaire is found dead before he could be told about his fortune."
   c. He was heir to $300,000,000 and he didn't know it.
5. Romans 8:16-17 (NKJV): "The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ."
   a. We need to partake of our full inheritance.
   b. Faith begins where the will of God is known.
   c. The Bible is God's will and all that we need is in The Will.

The benefits of The Will belong to the family—and I'm in the family!
—Gloria Copeland

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Heirs of God (Review)

We Are Heirs of God

Day #347

"Lift up your eyes and expand your horizons.
Take all that belongs to you."
—Gloria Copeland

A. Romans 8:16-17—We Are God's Children

1. Verses 16-17 (NKJV) "The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together."
2. "I became heir to a fortune many years ago in Little Rock, Arkansas, when I gave my life to Jesus. At that moment, I was born again into the richest family ever known. I was born into the royal family that owns and operates the universe. I received an inheritance so vast, it will take me all of eternity to fully comprehend it." —Gloria Copeland, "Receive Your Inheritance" BVOV magazine article
3 All that belongs to the Father became ours when we were born again.
4. We became heirs of God—children of the King with the right to partake of our full inheritance.
5. Many don't realize they are heirs of God and have full access to their inheritance.

B. Galatians 4:4-7—We Are Heirs of God

1. NKJV: "But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, "Abba, Father!" Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ."
2. *Heir* (GK) = One who receives an inheritance by right of birth.
3. My sister and I became heirs to our parents' estate by right of birth.
4. Long before he died, John D. Rockefeller began giving his estate to his son simply by right of birth.
    a. "Dear Son, I am giving you 166,072 shares of Standard Oil Company stock."
    b. "Dear Son, I am giving you $20,688,000 in bonds."
    c. "Dear Son, I am giving you a check for $500,000. It will be available for use next Monday."

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d. By the early 1920's, Rockefeller had turned over close to half a billion dollars to his son, as well the stewardship of his great fortune.
e. "I am indeed blessed beyond measure to have a son I can trust to do this work. With tenderest affection, Father."

5. Proverbs 13:22 (NKJV) "A good man leaves an inheritance to his children's children."

"We have to get into the reading of The Will
and find out what belongs to us—and receive it!"
—Gloria Copeland

C. 1 Peter 1:3-4—We Are Heirs of God by the New Birth

1. Verses 3-4 (NLT): "All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is by his great mercy that we have been born again, because God raised Jesus Christ from the dead. Now we live with great expectation, and we have a priceless inheritance—an inheritance that is kept in heaven for you, pure and undefiled, beyond the reach of change and decay."
2. "I was born into THE royal family that owns and operates the universe." —Gloria Copeland, "Receive Your Inheritance" BVOV magazine article
3. Verse 4 (AMPC): "[Born anew] into an inheritance which is beyond the reach of change and decay [imperishable], unsullied and unfading, reserved in heaven for you."
4. Verses 3-4 (NIV): "He has given us new birth...into an inheritance."
5. In Christ Jesus, we are heirs to the vast fortune of our loving Heavenly Father—simply by being born again into THE royal family.

"Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure
to give you the kingdom."
—Luke 12:32

"You didn't deserve the inheritance. You just got it!"
—Gloria Copeland

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Heirs of God (Review)

Joint Heirs With Jesus

Day #348

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

A. Galatians 4:4-7—We Are Heirs of God

1. Verses 4-7 (NKJV): "But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, 'Abba, Father!' Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ."
2. Psalms 103:1-2: "Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless his holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits."
   a. The Bible is the will of God and lays out for us what belongs to us.
   b. "If you forget His benefits, you can't receive His benefits because there's no faith there." —Gloria Copeland
3. "I became heir to a fortune many years ago in Little Rock, Arkansas, when I gave my life to Jesus. At that moment, I was born again into the richest family ever known. I was born into the royal family that owns and operates the universe. I received an inheritance so vast, it will take me all of eternity to fully comprehend it." —Gloria Copeland, "Receive Your Inheritance" BVOV magazine article
4. *Heir* (GK) = One who receives an inheritance by right of birth.
5. We have been born again into THE royal family as heirs to our Father's kingdom.
6. 1 Peter 1:4 (AMPC): "[Born anew] into an inheritance which is beyond the reach of change and decay [imperishable], unsullied and unfading, reserved in heaven for you."
   a. Verses 3-4 (NIV): "He has given us new birth...into an inheritance.
   b. In Christ Jesus, we are heirs to the vast fortune of our loving Heavenly Father—simply by being born again into THE royal family.

"If people only knew what was available to them in Christ Jesus, they would do whatever it took to walk after Him."
—Gloria Copeland

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B. Romans 8:16-17—We Are Joint Heirs With Jesus

1. Verses 16-17 (NKJV): "The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together."
2. *Joint heir* (GK) = One who is in union together with an inheritor.
3. Terri and I were joint heirs to my parents' estate, both receiving everything because we are one union.
4. Verse 17 (AMPC): "And if we are [His] children, then we are [His] heirs also: heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ [sharing His inheritance with Him]…."
5. NLT: "Together with Christ, we are heirs of God's glory."
6. People perish for a lack of knowledge of what is in the plan of redemption for them. They do not know what belongs to them in their inheritance.
7. "Faith comes by hearing. Unbelief comes by hearing." —Gloria Copeland

C. Hebrews 1:1-2—Heirs of All Things

1. Verses 1-2 (NKJV): "God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds."
2. Verse 2 (AMPC): "…Whom He appointed Heir and lawful Owner of all things…"
3. NLT: "God promised everything to the Son as an inheritance..."
4. If Jesus is heir of all things, and we are joint heirs with Him, that makes us heirs of all things as well.
5. We have inherited everything that Jesus inherited.

"When you were born again, Jesus moved in with everything He has."
—Gloria Copeland

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Heirs of God (Review)

Heirs of Everything

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A. Galatians 4:6—We Are Heirs of God

1. Verses 4-7 (NKJV) "But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, 'Abba, Father!' Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ."
2. "I became heir to a fortune many years ago in Little Rock, Arkansas, when I gave my life to Jesus. At that moment, I was born again into the richest family ever known. I was born into the royal family that owns and operates the universe. I received an inheritance so vast, it will take me all of eternity to fully comprehend it." —Gloria Copeland, "Receive Your Inheritance" BVOV magazine article
3. *Heir* (GK) = One who receives an inheritance by right of birth.
4. We have been born again into THE royal family as heirs to our Father's kingdom.
5. We are heirs by birth.

B. Romans 8:14-17—We Are Joint Heirs With Jesus

1. Verses 14-17 (NKJV): "For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, These are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, 'Abba, Father.' The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together."
2. *Joint heir* (GK) = One who is in union together with an inheritor.
3. NLT: "Together with Christ, we are heirs of God's glory."
4. Hebrews 1:1-2 (NKJV): "God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds."
5. If Jesus is heir of all things and we are joint heirs with Jesus, we must be heirs of all things as well.

"You don't want to miss the reading of The Will.
Come to church. Come to church for the reading of The Will.
As you read it, faith will come in you to receive it."
—Gloria Copeland

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C. Galatians 4:7—We Are Heirs of Everything

1. Verse 7 (NKJV): "Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ."
2. NLT-96: "Since you are his child, everything he has belongs to you."
3. MSG: "If you are a child, you're also an heir, with complete access to the inheritance."
4. The inheritance is the full scope of God's provision that encompasses everything—spirit, soul, body, financially, socially.
5. Ephesians 1:3 (NLT): "All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms because we are united with Christ."
6. 2 Peter 1:3-4 (AMPC): "For His divine power has bestowed upon us all things that [are requisite and suited] to life and godliness, through the [full, personal] knowledge of Him Who called us by and to His own glory and excellence (virtue). By means of these He has bestowed on us His precious and exceedingly great promises, so that through them you may escape [by flight] from the moral decay (rottenness and corruption) that is in the world because of covetousness (lust and greed), and become sharers (partakers) of the divine nature."
    a. *Bequeath* = To give or leave by will—used especially of property.
    b. Verse 3 (NIV-84): "His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness."
7. Our inheritance as heirs of God includes everything we would ever need.

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Heirs of God (Review)

DAY 5—Heirs of Everything Now

Day #350

A. Our Week in Review

1. "I became heir to a fortune many years ago in Little Rock, Arkansas, when I gave my life to Jesus. At that moment, I was born again into the richest family ever known. I was born into the royal family that owns and operates the universe. I received an inheritance so vast, it will take me all of eternity to fully comprehend it." —Gloria Copeland, "Receive Your Inheritance" BVOV magazine article
2. Galatians 4:4-7—We are heirs of God.
3. 1 Peter 1:3-4—We are heirs by birth.
4. Romans 8:14-17—We are joint heirs with Jesus.
5. Galatians 4:7 (NLT)—We are heirs of everything.

B. Colossians 1:12-13—When Can We Access Our Inheritance?

1. Verses 12-13 (NKJV): "Giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love."
2. Verse 12 (AMPC): "…Who has qualified and made us fit to share the portion which is the inheritance of the saints.…"
3. We don't have to wait for heaven to claim our full inheritance.
4. Our full inheritance belongs to us now.
5. All we have to do is claim it by faith.

C. Acts 20:32—Our Inheritance Belongs to Us NOW!

1. NKJV: "So now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified."
2. Galatians 4:7 (MSG): "If you are a child, you're also an heir, with complete access to the inheritance."
3. Ephesians 1:11 (NLT): "Because we are united with Christ, we have received an inheritance from God."
4. Ephesians 1:18 (NLT-96): "I want you to realize what a rich and glorious inheritance he has given to his people."
5. Everything Jesus paid for, as a result of His death, burial and resurrection, is available to us now!

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6. Deuteronomy 28:1-14—All of The BLESSING is ours.
7. The BLESSING is not just for us. It's a testimony to the Lord's ability to do something for His people. It manifests His presence in the earth. It's His idea." —Gloria Copeland

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God Is Your Source for Everything You Need

The Only Source of Supply

Day #351

A. 1 Corinthians 8:6—God Is Our Source

1. So many people are facing overwhelming financial challenges.
2. They look at their paycheck, then look at their needs and wonder, *How are we going to pay for this? Where will the money come from? What are we going to do?*
3. "Don't look to the government for your supply. Don't look to other people for your supply. No, no, pastors, don't look to your congregation for your supply. Jesus is our Source. THE BLESSING of Abraham is our supply. The Word is our supply."—word from the Lord through Kenneth Copeland, Nov. 11, 2010
4. AMPC: "Yet for us there is [only] one God, the Father, Who is the Source of all things."
5. The purpose of this study is to renew our minds and become fully persuaded that God is our Source for everything we need.

B. Philippians 4:19—God's Riches in Glory

1. "But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus."
2. BBE: "And my God will give you all you have need of from the wealth of His glory in Christ Jesus."
3. MSG: "You can be sure that God will take care of everything you need."
4. JBP: "My God will supply all that you need from his glorious resources in Christ Jesus."
5. "Rick Renner Translation": "But my God will supply your needs so completely that He will eliminate all your deficiencies; He will meet all your physical and tangible needs until you are so full you have no more capacity to hold anything else. He will supply all your needs until you are totally filled, packed full and overflowing to the point of bursting at the seams and spilling over."

C. James 1:17—Our Supply From Heaven

1. AMPC: "Every good gift and every perfect (free, large, full) gift is from above; it comes down from the Father of all [that gives] light."
2. JBP: "Every good endowment that we possess and every complete gift that we have received must come from above, from the Father of all lights, with whom there is never the slightest variation or shadow of inconsistency."
3. Deuteronomy 28:12: "The Lord shall open unto thee His good treasure, the heaven...."
   a. BBE: "His storehouse in Heaven"
   b. CEB: "His own well-stocked storehouse"

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   c. MSG: "God will throw open the doors of His sky vaults."
4. "Heaven always has a good economy. That is where we receive from. It doesn't matter what is happening in the earth. We are not receiving it from the earth. We are receiving it from heaven."—Gloria Copeland
5. Psalm 121:2 (NIV): "My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth."

You have to start where you're at. It doesn't matter where you are.
If you'll start standing on the Word of God, you'll come out.
—Gloria Copeland

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Look to the the Lord: Your Provider

Day #352

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B. Genesis 22—The Lord Will Provide

1. Verses 7-8: "But where is the lamb for the burnt offering?... My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering."
2. Verse 13: "Abraham lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold behind him was a ram caught in a thicket by his horns: and Abraham went and took the ram and offered him up for a burnt offering in the stead of his son."
   a. "He lifted up his eyes."
   b. By faith, he looked away from the natural into the realm of the supernatural.
   c. He looked to his Provider.
3. Verse 14: "And Abraham called the name of that place, Jehovah-Jireh."
   a. MSG: "Abraham named that place God-Yireh (God-Sees-to it)."
   b. AMPC: "So Abraham called the name of that place The Lord Will Provide. And it is said to this day, On the mount of the Lord it will be provided."
4. The act of Abraham's willingness to offer up his only son for God initiated a covenant obligation by God to offer up His only Son for us.
5. Thus, Jesus became The Source of everything we would ever need.

C. Matthew 6:33—Seek First the Kingdom

1. NKJV: "But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you."

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2. NLT: "Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need."
3. AMPC: "But seek (aim at and strive after) first of all His kingdom and His righteousness (His way of doing and being right), and then all these things taken together will be given you besides."
4. Proverbs 21:21 (NIV): "He who pursues righteousness and love finds life, prosperity and honor."
5. Psalm 37:4 (NIV): "Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart."

Once you sow it, you'll see it.
—Gloria Copeland

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God Is Your Source for Everything You Need

God Is Looking to Bless His People

Day #353

A. 2 Chronicles 16:9—"For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward Him."

1. God has a covenant determination and passion to locate His covenant people and prosper them beyond their greatest imagination.
2. It is an undying covenant devotion that propels Him to extend Himself to us with everything He is and with everything He has.
3. *Covenant* = An unbreakable agreement between two parties that have joined together as one to support, provide, protect and defend each other
4. *Show Himself strong* (HEB) = Bestow, grant and extend wealth
5. God has extended His wealth to us.

B. Deuteronomy 8:18—God gives us the power to get wealth in order to establish His covenant with us and His covenant on earth.

1. NLT-96: "Always remember that it is the Lord your God who gives you the power to become rich, and He does it to fulfill the covenant He made with your ancestors."
2. Verse 19: "Do not forget the Lord your God and walk after other gods, and serve them and worship them."
3. "You don't need other gods when you have Me."
   a. "I will take care of you."
   b. "I will supply you with everything you need according to My riches in glory."
4. Look to God as your Covenant Source.
5. Psalm 111:5 (AMPC): "He has given food and provision to those who reverently and worshipfully fear Him; He will remember His covenant forever and imprint it [on His mind]."
6. Allow the Holy Spirit to get involved in your finances.
7. "Praying in the spirit makes you smarter than yourself." —Gloria Copeland

C. Covenant Provision in Psalms

1. Psalm 34:10: "The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but they that seek the Lord shall not want any good thing."
2. Psalm 36:8 (AMPC): "They relish and feast on the abundance of Your house; and You cause them to drink of the stream of Your pleasures."

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3. Psalm 66:12: "Thou hast caused men to ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water: but thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place."
4. Psalm 68:19: "Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with benefits."
5. Psalm 84:11: "No good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly."
6. Psalm 85:12 (AMPC): "Yes, the Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase."
7. Psalm 103:2: "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits."
8. Psalm 107:9 (NIV): "He satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things."
9. Psalm 115:12-15: "The Lord hath been mindful of us: he will bless us; he will bless the house of Israel; he will bless the house of Aaron. He will bless them that fear the Lord, both small and great. The Lord shall increase you more and more, you and your children. Ye are blessed of the Lord which made heaven and earth."
10. Psalm 116:12 (AMPC): "What will I give to the Lord [in return] for all His benefits toward me? [How can I repay Him for His precious blessings?]"

Are you interested in prospering,
in getting out of debt and paying your bills?
Well, I am. I remember when we were in debt.
We didn't have any money or extras. That was a bummer.
I was glad when they said to me, "Go find out what the Word says
about prosperity." It changed everything!
—Gloria Copeland

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God Is Your Source for Everything You Need

THE BLESSING Empowers You to Prosper

Day #354

A. Proverbs 10:22—THE BLESSING of the Lord, it makes rich and He adds no sorrow to it.

1. *Rich* (HEB) = Accumulate, grow rich, become wealthy
2. GNT: "It is the Lord's blessing that makes you wealthy."
3. BRENTON: "THE BLESSING of the Lord is on the head of the righteous; it enriches him, and grief of heart shall not be added to it."
4. 1 Timothy 6:17-19 (NKJV): "Command those who are rich in this present age not to be haughty, nor to trust in uncertain riches but in the living God, who gives us richly all things to enjoy. Let them do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to give, willing to share, storing up for themselves a good foundation for the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life."
5. This is how we need to conduct ourselves.

B. Genesis 1:27-28—THE BLESSING Conferred on Man

1. AMPC: "So God created man in His own image, in the image and likeness of God He created him; male and female He created them. And God blessed them and said to them, Be fruitful, multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it [using all its vast resources in the service of God and man]; and have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and over every living creature that moves upon the earth."
2. "With those words, God imparted to Adam and Eve—and to all mankind—The BLESSING.
   a. "He told them who they were: the lords of the earth created by God in His image as rulers and royalty.
   b. "He told them what they were supposed to do: Replenish (or fill up) the earth, subdue it and bring it into line with the perfect will of God.
   c. "He also gave them the power to carry out that assignment." —Kenneth Copeland, "The Garden of Eden in You"
3. "*To bless* actually means 'to empower.' So the first words Adam ever heard, the first sound that ever struck his eardrums was the sound of God's voice empowering him with the divine, creative ability to reign over the earth and make it a perfect reflection of God's best and highest will." —Kenneth Copeland, "The Garden of Eden in You"

C. God Is the Source of Our Wealth

1. Genesis 14:22-23 (NKJV): "But Abram said to the king of Sodom, 'I have raised my hand to the Lord, God Most High, the Possessor of heaven and earth, that I will take

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nothing, from a thread to a sandal strap, and that I will not take anything that is yours, lest you should say, "I have made Abram rich.""

2. Genesis 15:1 (AMPC): "After these things, the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram, I am your Shield, your abundant compensation, and your reward shall be exceedingly great."
3. Deuteronomy 8:18 (NKJV): "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."
4. 1 Chronicles 29:12 (NKJV): "Both riches and honor come from You."
5. 1 Timothy 6:17 (NKJV): "Command those who are rich in this present age not to be haughty, nor to trust in uncertain riches but in the living God, who gives us richly all things to enjoy."

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God Is Your Source for Everything You Need

Claim What You Need

Day #355

A. The Lord's Correction for Kenneth E. Hagin About Believing for Finances

1. He began his traveling ministry in 1949.
2. The first year was very difficult.
3. He struggled financially.
4. Adequate provision was scarce.
    a. They lived in a three-room apartment.
    b. The children were not properly clothed or fed.
    c. The car was worn out enough to sell as junk.
    d. The finances were not manifesting.
5. The Lord corrected Brother Hagin's thinking about how to believe for finances.

B. The Three-Step Process

1. "Claim whatever you need."
2. "Say, 'Satan, take your hands off my money.'"
3. "Say, 'Go, ministering spirits, and cause the money to come.'"
4. "Before the Lord spoke to me, I would pray, fast, weep, and cry and still barely skim by."
5. After receiving this word, Brother Hagin walked over to the church where he would be conducting a service that evening.
    a. "I stood on the platform in that empty church and said, 'I claim $150 this week. Satan, take your hands off my finances. Go, ministering spirits, and cause the money to come.'
    b. "I tested this out time and time again.
    c. "I got the money I claimed every time."

C. Joshua 18:1-3—Claim What You Need

1. NKJV: "Now the whole congregation of the children of Israel assembled together at Shiloh, and set up the tabernacle of meeting there. And the land was subdued before them. But there remained among the children of Israel seven tribes which had not yet received their inheritance. Then Joshua said to the children of Israel: 'How long will you neglect to go and possess the land which the Lord God of your fathers has given you?'"
2. *Possess* (HEB) = To take possession of, to dispossess and drive out; to claim
3. *Claim* (Merriam-Webster):
    a. To take as the rightful owner

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   b. To assert in the face of possible contradiction
   c. A right to demand
4. Joshua 18:3 (GNB): "How long are you going to wait before you go in and take the land?"
5. Hebrews 11:32-34 (NKJV): "And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me to tell of Gideon and Barak and Samson and Jephthah, also of David and Samuel and the prophets: who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens."
6. John 14:13: "Whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son."
   a. GK: "Whatever you demand as your Christian rights, I will see to it that it is carried out."
7. "'For all of you who will take My WORD and stand on it,' saith The LORD, 'the Kingdom is for you, the angels are for you, and all of heaven's reserves are at your call.'" —word from the Lord through Brother Copeland, October 28, 2010
   a. Use your authority and command Satan to take his hands off your money.
   b. Release the ministering spirits to go get it and bring it to you.

D. Declare This Out Loud!

"Heavenly Father, I thank You for Your Word. Your Word is true. Your Word works for me. I give it first place and final authority in my life. I claim every need met on the authority of God's Word. I claim _____ (insert the specific amount). Satan, take your hands off my finances. Go, ministering spirits, and cause the money to come. I believe it. I receive it. I possess it, claim it and take it as my rightful inheritance. Father, I thank You for it NOW in Jesus' Name!"

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How to Manage Wealth

"Rich" Is Not a Dirty Word

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A. Proverbs 10:22—THE BLESSING of the Lord, It Makes Rich and He Adds No Sorrow With It

1. AMPC: "The blessing of the Lord—it makes (truly) rich, and He adds no sorrow with it [neither does toiling increase it]."
2. NIV-84: "The blessing of the Lord brings wealth, and He adds no trouble to it."
3. Brenton: "The blessing of the Lord is upon the head of the righteous; it enriches him, and grief of heart shall not be added to it."
4. GNT: "It is the Lord's blessing that makes you wealthy."
5. Dare to say: "THE BLESSING of the Lord makes me truly rich."
6. The word *rich* is a BLESSING word
7. You have the wisdom of THE BLESSING to use wealth properly.

B. 2 Corinthians 8:9—*Rich* Is Not a Dirty Word—It Is a Bible Word

1. Verse 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. Genesis 14:22-23: "And Abram said to the king of Sodom, I have lift up mine hand unto the Lord, the most high God, the possessor of heaven and earth, that I will not take from a thread even to a shoe latchet, and that I will not take any thing that is thine, lest thou shouldest say, I have made Abram rich."
3. Deuteronomy 8:18 (NLT-96): "Always remember that it is the Lord your God who gives you power to become rich, and he does it to fulfill the covenant he made with your ancestors."
   a. To increase in goods
   b. To have an abundance of outward possessions
   c. To be richly supplied
4. Even the world knows better
   a. *The Guide to Becoming Rich*
   b. *Start Late, Finish Rich*
   c. *Dare to Be Rich*
   d. *Smart Women Finish Rich* (See Proverbs 31:10-31.)
5. The key to biblical wealth lies in how it is handled.
   a. What are you doing with your prosperity?
   b. You don't want to become self-dependent and not God-dependent. When negative situations arise, you won't know how to handle things. Be dependent on the

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Lord and learn to operate in THE BLESSING.

c. Money is not bad. It depends on who has it and what they do with it.

C. Isaiah 32:7-8 (AMPC)—The Difference Between Godly Wealth and Worldly Wealth

1. Their differing character traits are clearly defined in Scripture.
   a. Verse 7: "The instruments and methods of the fraudulent and greedy [for gain] are evil; he devises wicked devices to ruin the poor and the lowly with lying words, even when the plea of the needy is just and right."
   b. Verse 8: "But the noble, openhearted, and liberal man devises noble things; and he stands for what is noble, openhearted, and generous."
2. Worldly wealth is about self.
3. Godly wealth is about serving God and others.
   a. The tithe keeps you in a place of protection and BLESSING.
   b. The mindset and lifestyle of tithing will keep you on the right track, and you won't get off into letting money control you or becoming greedy for gain. The tithe keeps you in a safe place.
   c. There's no limit to Bible prosperity.
4. The world's motivation for accumulation is acquisition.
5. The believer's motivation for accumulation is distribution.
6. The worldly rich use people to get things.
7. The godly rich use things to love people.

"Whether money is good or bad depends on who has the money.
When the righteous have money, they do good things with it.
When the wicked have money, they do bad things with it."
—Gloria Copeland, *True Prosperity*

"Faith is not territorial. It's everywhere available
because the Bible is everywhere available."
—Gloria Copeland

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Paul's Instructions to the Rich

Day #357

Foundation Scripture: "Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not high-minded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life" (1 Timothy 6:17-19).

A. 1 Timothy 6:17-18—Paul's Instructions to the Rich

1. Don't be high-minded.
2. Trust in the living God.
3. Do good.
4. Be rich in good works.
5. Be ready to distribute and willing to communicate.

B. Acts 24:25—Paul Was a Rich Man

1. He did not exclude rich people from the Church.
2. He did not tell them they couldn't be a Christian because they were rich.
3. Verses 25-26 (NIV-84): "As Paul discoursed on righteousness, self-control and the judgment to come, Felix was afraid and said, 'That's enough for now! You may leave. When I find it convenient, I will send for you.' At the same time he was hoping that Paul would offer him a bribe, so he sent for him frequently and talked with him."
   a. No one expects a bribe from a poor man.
   b. Verse 26: "He hoped also that money should have been given him of Paul, that he might loose him."
4. Philemon 18 (AMPC): "And if he has done you any wrong in any way or owes anything [to you], charge that to my account."
   a. NLT: "Charge it to me."
   b. *Weymouth:* "Debit me with the amount."
5. Philippians 4:18 AMPC: "I have everything I need and am amply supplied."
   a. KJV: "I have all, and abound."
   b. MSG: "I have it all—and keep getting more!"

C. 1 Timothy 6:9-10—Paul Understood the Pitfalls of Wealth

1. AMPC: "But those who crave to be rich fall into temptation and a snare and into many foolish (useless, godless) and hurtful desires that plunge men into ruin and destruction

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and miserable perishing. For the love of money is a root of all evils; it is through this craving that some have been led astray and have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves through with many acute [mental] pangs."

2. MSG: "But if it's only money these leaders are after, they'll self-destruct in no time. Lust for money brings trouble and nothing but trouble. Going down that path, some lose their footing in the faith completely and live to regret it bitterly ever after."
3. Matthew 19:23-24 (AMPC): "And Jesus said to His disciples, Truly I say to you, it will be difficult for a rich man to get into the kingdom of heaven. Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to go into the kingdom of heaven."
4. 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."
    a. AMPC: "Then the cares and anxieties of the world and distractions of the age, and the pleasure and delight and false glamour and deceitfulness of riches, and the craving and passionate desire for other things creep in and choke and suffocate the Word, and it becomes fruitless."
    b. NLT: "But all too quickly the message is crowded out by the worries of this life, the lure of wealth, and the desire for other things, so no fruit is produced."
    c. "Tithing is a great protection. If you can't talk yourself into tithing, you're not ready for wealth. But if you'll believe the Word and receive your portion, give God His portion, go on with your portion, then you're safe to increase. It's safe to increase you because you know how to handle money." —Gloria Copeland
5. 1 Timothy 6:17: "Charge them that are rich in this world."
    a. *Charge* (GK) = Order them, command them, teach them
    b. MSG: "Tell those rich in this world's wealth to quit being so full of themselves and so obsessed with money."
    c. Paul was not intimidated by rich people.
    d. He was upfront and in their face.

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Don't Be High Minded

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Foundation Scripture: "Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not high-minded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life" (1 Timothy 6:17-19).

A. 1 Timothy 6:17—Don't Be High Minded

1. *High-minded* (GK) = arrogant, haughty and prideful
2. *Arrogant* (Merriam-Webster) = disposed to exaggerate one's own worth or importance by an overbearing manner
3. AMPC: "Charge them not to be proud and arrogant and contemptuous of others."
   a. A hoarder is someone who won't open their pocketbook to God or anybody else. There's no blessing there. No sowing equals no crop.
   b. Give God the first and the best—tithe, plus give offerings and expect an abundant harvest.
4. MSG: "Tell those rich in this world's wealth to quit being so full of themselves and so obsessed with money."
5. Paul realized that one of the pitfalls of having wealth was the temptation to see one's self as being superior to others.
   a. True prosperity walks in humility.
   b. Humility is not putting yourself down.
   c. Humility is setting yourself aside to meet the needs of others.

B. Humility vs. Pride

1. Psalm 73:6-9 (NLT): "They wear pride like a jeweled necklace and clothe themselves with cruelty. These fat cats have everything their hearts could ever wish for! They scoff and speak only evil; in their pride they seek to crush others. They boast against the very heavens, and their words strut throughout the earth."
2. Proverbs 18:23 (MSG): "The poor speak in soft supplications; the rich bark out answers."
   a. NLT: "The poor plead for mercy; the rich answer with insults."
   b. NIV-84: "A poor man pleads for mercy, but a rich man answers harshly."
   c. The wealthier you become, the kinder toward others you should be.
3. Proverbs 28:11 (MSG): "The rich think they know it all, but the poor can see right through them."

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4. Hosea 13:6 (NLT): "But when you had eaten and were satisfied, you became proud and forgot me."
5. Ezekiel 28:4-5 (NLT): "With your wisdom and understanding you have amassed great wealth—gold and silver for your treasuries. Yes, your wisdom has made you very rich, and your riches have made you very proud."
6. Revelation 3:17 (MSG): "You brag, 'I'm rich, I've got it made, I need nothing from anyone,' oblivious that in fact you're a pitiful, blind beggar, threadbare and homeless."
7. Jeremiah 9:23-24 (NLT): "This is what the Lord says: 'Don't let the wise boast in their wisdom, or the powerful boast in their power, or the rich boast in their riches. But those who wish to boast should boast in this alone: that they truly know me and understand that I am the Lord who demonstrates unfailing love and who brings justice and righteousness to the earth, and that I delight in these things. I, the Lord, have spoken!'"

C. Proverbs 22:4 (NLT)—Humility Leads to Wealth

1. Verse 4: "True humility and fear of the Lord lead to riches, honor, and long life."
2. AMPC: "The reward of humility and the reverent and worshipful fear of the Lord is riches and honor and life."
3. Matthew 5:5 (GNT): "Happy are those who are humble; they will receive what God has promised!"

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Trust in the Living God (Part 1)

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Now comes a new challenge—how to handle that wealth,
and not let it handle you!
—Gloria Copeland

Foundation Scripture: "Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not high-minded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life" (1 Timothy 6:17-19).

A. 1 Timothy 6:17—Don't Trust in Wealth

1. NIV: "Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment."
2. NLT: "Teach those who are rich in this world not to be proud and not to trust in their money, which is so unreliable. Their trust should be in God, who richly gives us all we need for our enjoyment."
3. MSG: "Tell those rich in this world's wealth to quit being so full of themselves and so obsessed with money, which is here today and gone tomorrow. Tell them to go after God, who piles on all the riches we could ever manage."
    a. Psalm 115:14: "The Lord shall increase you more and more, you and your children."
    b. Don't stop tithing and giving when increase happens.
    c. Proverbs 3:9-10: "Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase: so shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine."
4. Paul understood that the rich were tempted to replace their trust in God with their trust in wealth.
    a. You cannot make decisions based on money. If you make decisions based on money, you'll be wrong 99% of the time.
    b. You have to base your decisions on the anointing and on what the Spirit of God is leading you to do. When you do that, the money will be there.
5. His assignment was to lead the rich away from their trust in money and redirect their trust toward God.

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B. Mark 10:17-23 (NIV)—The Rich Young Ruler

1. Verses 17-18: "As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. 'Good teacher,' he asked, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' 'Why do you call me good?' Jesus answered. 'No one is good–except God alone.'"
2. Verses 19-20: "'You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, you shall not defraud, honor your father and mother.' 'Teacher,' he declared, 'all these I have kept since I was a boy.'"
3. Verse 21: "Jesus looked at him and loved him. 'One thing you lack,' he said. 'Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me.'"
    a. Jesus was also looking for Judas' replacement.
    b. Jesus was calling him into the ministry as an apostle.
4. Verse 22 "At this the man's face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth."
5. "Jesus was telling him to sell and give to the poor. But why did He tell him that and we don't have any record of anything of Him saying that any other time? Because that was his problem. He was keeping the commandments. He was doing what was good. But he had this one problem. He was trying to set him free so that he could trust in Him. Trusting in riches is the danger of being caught up in the world's system. This world's system can only go so far. It is not the answer to every need. Thank God I am not dependent upon the world's system!" —Gloria Copeland, The Kingdom of God—Days of Heaven on Earth

C. Who Do You Trust?

1. Proverbs 11:28 (NLT): "Trust in your money and down you go! But the godly flourish like leaves in spring."
2. Psalm 52:7-8 (NLT): "'Look what happens to mighty warriors who do not trust in God. They trust their wealth instead and grow more and more bold in their wickedness.' But I am like an olive tree, thriving in the house of God. I will always trust in God's unfailing love."
3. Psalm 62:10 (NIV-84): "Do not trust in extortion or take pride in stolen goods; though your riches increase, do not set your heart on them.
4. Jeremiah 17:5-6 (NIV-84): "This is what the Lord says: "Cursed is the one who trusts in man, who depends on flesh for his strength and whose heart turns away from the Lord. He will be like a bush in the wastelands; he will not see prosperity when it comes. He will dwell in the parched places of the desert, in a salt land where no one lives."
5. Jeremiah 17:7-8 (NIV-84): "But blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in him. He will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit."

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How to Manage Wealth

Trust in the Living God (Part 2)

Day #360

Faith sleeps! Faith sleeps at night!
—Gloria Copeland

Foundation Scripture: "Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not high-minded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life" (1 Timothy 6:17-19).

A. 1 Timothy 6:17 (NIV)—Their Trust Should Be in God

1. Paul understood that the source of trust can shift once money enters the picture.
2. Once trust has shifted, the next step is to forget God.
3. No matter where you are financially, you must switch over from a fear mentality to saying, "I trust God."
4. Proverbs 11:24-25 (NKJV): "There is one who scatters, yet increases more; and there is one who withholds more than is right, but it leads to poverty. The generous soul will be made rich, and he who waters will also be watered himself."
    a. Don't be a hoarder. Don't withhold. Be a liberal giver.
    b. Laying awake at night, thinking about the bills, how you are going to pay for that, and how is this going to happen? —that's money handling *you!*
5. Hosea 13:6 (NIV): "When I fed them, they were satisfied; when they were satisfied, they became proud; then they forgot me."
6. Once the rich forget God, it is downhill from there.
7. Deuteronomy 8:10-11: "When thou hast eaten and art full, then thou shalt bless the Lord thy God for the good land which he hath given thee. Beware that thou forget not the Lord thy God, in not keeping his commandments, and his judgments, and his statutes, which I command thee this day."
8. You have a giving aperture, like the opening in a camera lens that light passes through to enter inside. The same opening of your heart that you give from is the same opening you receive from.
9. If you're too tight to tithe, you're too tight to let The BLESSING in. If you're open to tithing and sowing, there are no limits.—Gloria Copeland

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B. Make Sure You Are Depending on God

"Again, please note this scripture (1 Timothy 6:17) doesn't say to charge them that are rich in this world to get rid of everything they have, because God doesn't like people who have things. It doesn't tell us to save one old shiny suit and move off into a cabin in the hills and be humble. If you do that, you simply take yourself out of any position to bless anyone else in the rest of the world. That's the most selfish thing that a Christian could do.

"No, these verses simply said the rich shouldn't trust in their riches, but in God. That's an important point. It's something you'll have to deal with where your own mind and flesh are concerned, and the more you prosper, the more you'll have to deal with it.

"You'll have to judge yourself every day of your life on your own inner attitude and faith to make sure you're depending on God and not on what you have in the bank. But don't let that scare you. Just make a sober determination that you'll do it."

—Kenneth Copeland, *Blessed to Be a Blessing*

C. Keep Putting God First

"Prosperity is the result of doing God's ways.

"Some pass the poverty test, but fail the prosperity test. You get your needs met and receive great abundance. But, your heart will begin to grow cold if you don't keep God's Word first place in your life. All of a sudden, you are taken with the things that have been added to you. They could be things like cars, planes, houses, land—whatever it is that you like.

"You have to walk circumspectly to walk in prosperity. You have to keep putting God first.

"When all your needs are met, remember where you got it. Remember that it was God that gave you the power to get wealth. One thing about wealth—it can come quickly and it can go quickly.

—Gloria Copeland, *The Kingdom of God—Days of Heaven on Earth*

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Trust in the Living God (Part 3)

Day #361

"Give God the first and the best and you can have the rest.
And then the rest will do more because He has something to bless."
—Gloria Copeland

Foundation Scripture: "Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not high-minded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life" (1 Timothy 6:17-19).

A. 1 Timothy 6:9-10—Love God—Not Money

1. "But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition. 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."
2. "The key to having wealth and doing it right is knowing what the Bible says and doing it right." —Gloria Copeland
3. "The will of God is for us to be serving Him with our whole heart, doing what He says, walking in love, prospering in every direction, with every need met, healed and well." —Gloria Copeland
    a. Matthew 6:10: "Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven."
    b. We should be experiencing the goodness of God on earth.
4. Ecclesiastes 5:10-11 (NIV-84): "Whoever loves money never has money enough; whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with his income. This too is meaningless. As goods increase, so do those who consume them. And what benefit are they to the owner except to feast his eyes on them?"
5. Proverbs 8:17-21 (NIV-84): "I love those who love me, and those who seek me find me. With me are riches and honor, enduring wealth and prosperity. My fruit is better than fine gold; what I yield surpasses choice silver. I walk in the way of righteousness, along the paths of justice, bestowing wealth on those who love me and making their treasuries full."
    a. The love of money is the root of all evil, so the cure for that would be loving God with our money and being a tither.
    b. "Because the Lord says to do it, and THE BLESSING's in it, it's a blessing to get to tithe." —Gloria Copeland

"A tither qualifies for prosperity."
—Gloria Copeland

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B. Psalm 34:10—Seek God—Not Money

1. NIV: "The lions may grow weak and hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no good thing."
2. 2 Chronicles 26:5 (AMPC): "He set himself to seek God in the days of Zechariah, who instructed him in the things of God; and as long as he sought (inquired of, yearned for) the Lord, God made him prosper."
3. 2 Chronicles 26:16 (NIV): "But after Uzziah became powerful, his pride led to his downfall. He was unfaithful to the Lord his God."
    a. With wealth, if you don't stay on top of it, you can get to a place where you get so full of pride that you lord it over people: "Look what I've accomplished."
    b. You can begin to treat people with disrespect and dishonor because you have all this money, and that's not the way God wants us to act.
4. 2 Chronicles 31:20-21 (NIV-84): "This is what Hezekiah did throughout Judah, doing what was good and right and faithful before the Lord his God. In everything that he undertook in the service of God's temple and in obedience to the law and the commands, he sought his God and worked wholeheartedly. And so he prospered."
5. Matthew 6:33 (AMPC): "But seek (aim at and strive after) first of all His kingdom and His righteousness (His way of doing and being right), and then all these things taken together will be given you besides."

C. Job 36:11-12—Obey God—Not Money

1. NIV: "If they obey and serve him, they will spend the rest of their days in prosperity and their years in contentment. But if they do not listen, they will perish by the sword and die without knowledge."
2. Deuteronomy 28:1-2 (NIV): "If you fully obey the Lord your God and carefully follow all his commands I give you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all the nations on earth. All these blessings will come upon you and accompany you if you obey the Lord your God."
3. Isaiah 1:19: "If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land."
4. Matthew 6:24 (NIV-84): "No one can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and Money."
5. The role of money in our lives:
    a. Some are slaves to money—driven to earn it and keep it.
    b. Money serves us—we don't serve money.
    c. Psalm 104:14: "He causeth the grass to grow for the cattle, and herb for the service of man: that he may bring forth food out of the earth."
    d. "If you make decisions based on money, you will be wrong 99% of the time. If you make decisions based on the anointing, you will be right 99% of the time. Even if you miss it, you will be in position for God to correct you." —Kenneth Copeland, March 25, 2015

"Tithing is a shield to protect you from the love of money."
—Gloria Copeland

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Do Good

Day #362

Foundation Scripture: "Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not high-minded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life" (1 Timothy 6:17-19).

A. 1 Timothy 6:18—Do Good With Your Money

1. Why would Paul have to point out the obvious?
   a. The rich had a reputation for using their money to do wicked things.
   b. Psalm 73:3-12—The wealth of the wicked
   c. Those wicked things lead to disaster.
2. Proverbs 1:18-19 (NIV-84): "These men lie in wait for their own blood; they waylay only themselves! Such is the end of all who go after ill-gotten gain; it takes away the lives of those who get it."
3. Proverbs 13:11 (NIV-84): "Dishonest money dwindles away, but he who gathers money little by little makes it grow."
   a. NLT: "Wealth from get-rich-quick schemes quickly disappears; wealth from hard work grows over time."
   b. Matthew Henry Commentary: "Wealth gotten by dishonesty or vice has a secret curse, which will speedily waste it."
4. Proverbs 28:8 (NLT): "Income from charging high interest rates will end up in the pocket of someone who is kind to the poor."
5. Proverbs 28:20 (AMPC): "A faithful man shall abound with blessings, but he who makes haste to be rich [at any cost] shall not be unpunished."
   a. The revelation of tithing is a safeguard where finances and money are concerned. That's where your increase is.
   b. When you tithe, you still have to give in faith.
   c. You still have to believe for the BLESSING of the tither.
   d. It takes faith and obedience.

B. Properly Handling Wealth

"The sages of the Jewish commentaries say that judgment is sometimes in riches.

"How could that be?

"For example, look at an entertainer or an athlete that never had money and is now making

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lots of money. He has more money than he knows what to do with. But because he is not born again and spirit filled and is living in a dark world, he won't be taking it to church. Where is he going to take it? He will take it to the drug dealer, to the beer joint and to immorality. He can buy all the immorality and drugs that he wants. That is why so many of these people are in trouble. Financially, they have the world on a string—but the world is all they have. Their money drives them to judgment.

"Whether money is good or bad depends on who has the money.

"When the righteous have money, they do good things with it. When the wicked have money, they do bad things with it. And those bad things lead to death—many times at an early age. You might ask, 'Why would that famous person throw his life away?' The reason is because he doesn't know what else to do with it. He is living in the kingdom of darkness.

"You can't look at the rich and wonder how they got their money. Money acquired by ill-gotten gain is not from God. You could be part of the mafia and have lots of money—but you probably won't live out your full number of days. What happens to all of the 'ill-gotten gained' money? It will go right into the hands of the just.

"Do you want to be one of those hands?

"Well, get it together and you can be!"

—Gloria Copeland, *True Prosperity*

C. **"True prosperity is the ability to use God's power to meet the needs of mankind in every realm of life."** —Kenneth Copeland, *The Laws of Prosperity*

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How to Manage Wealth

Be Rich in Good Works—Part 1

Day #363

Foundation Scripture: "Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not high-minded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy; that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate; laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life" (1 Timothy 6:17-19).

A. Ephesians 6:9—The Wealth Mentality

1. Paul understood that the rich subscribed to a "master vs. slave" mentality.
2. They were accustomed to being the dictator while those around them were required to fulfill their every command.
   a. This did not just apply toward those who served them.
   b. The rich were treating their Christian brethren this way as well.
   c. Money should never be used as a threat or as a means of control. That's money being used as a weapon.
3. Paul had to adjust the conduct of the rich.
   a. It's important to know how to handle wealth, and it not handle you.
   b. Those who are rich should be walking in the highest degree of the fruit of the spirit.
   c. You can be wealthy and walk in love.
   d. You can be wealthy and rich in good works.
   e. You can be wealthy and not be arrogant or prideful, but instead, walk in humility.
4. Ephesians 6:9 (AMPC): "You masters, act on the same [principle] toward them and give up threatening and using violent and abusive words, knowing that He Who is both their Master and yours is in heaven, and that there is no respect of persons (no partiality) with Him."
5. Colossians 4:1 (MSG): "And masters, treat your servants considerately. Be fair with them. Don't forget for a minute that you, too, serve a Master—God in heaven."

B. 1 Timothy 6:18—That They Be Rich in Good Works

1. He admonished them to be "rich in good works."
   a. TCNT: "Urge upon them to show kindness, to exhibit a wealth of good actions."
   b. MSG: "Be rich in helping others."
   c. Your good works should be as abundant as your riches.
2. Matthew 5:16 (AMPC): "Let your light so shine before men that they may see your moral excellence and your praiseworthy, noble, and good deeds and recognize and

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honor and praise and glorify your Father Who is in heaven."

3. 1 Peter 2:12 (NIV): "Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us."
4. Acts 9:36 (NIV-84): "In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (which, when translated, is Dorcas), who was always doing good and helping the poor."
5. Luke 10:30-35—The Good Samaritan
    a. Verse 35 (NIV): "The next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper. 'Look after him,' he said, 'and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.'"
    b. True wealth is found in helping others.

C. Matthew 27:57-60 (AMPC)—The Rich Man From Arimathea

1. Verse 57: "When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who also was a disciple of Jesus."
    a. A rich man can also be a follower of Jesus.
    b. He stepped in to help Jesus' family, seeing that they did not own a tomb in Jerusalem.
2. Verse 58: "He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus, and Pilate ordered that it be given to him."
    a. Joseph had great wealth—and great influence among the leadership of Jerusalem.
    b. He boldly went to Pilate and asked for and received the body of Jesus.
3. Verse 59: "And Joseph took the body and rolled it up in a clean linen cloth used for swathing dead bodies."
    a. This rich man lifted the body and prepared it himself for burial.
4. Verse 60: "And laid it in his own fresh (undefiled) tomb, which he had hewn in the rock."
    a. This wealthy man built the tomb himself.
5. Verse 60: "And he rolled a big boulder over the door of the tomb and went away."
    a. He did all of this himself, not requiring anyone to do it for him.
    b. He was rich in good works.

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Be Rich in Good Works—Part 2

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A. Luke 12:13-21—Jesus' Warning About Covetousness

1. Verse 13: "And one of the company said unto him, Master, speak to my brother, that he divide the inheritance with me."
2. Verse 14: "And he said unto him, Man, who made me a judge or a divider over you?"
3. Verse 15: "And he said unto them, Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth."
    a. NLT: "Then he said, 'Beware! Guard against every kind of greed. Life is not measured by how much you own.'"
    b. MSG: "Protect yourself against the least bit of greed."
    c. AMPC—*Covetousness* = The immoderate desire for wealth, the greedy longing to have more
4. Verses 16-19: "And he spake a parable unto them, saying, The ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully: And he thought within himself, saying, What shall I do, because I have no room where to bestow my fruits? And he said, This will I do: I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry."
5. Verses 20-21: "But God said unto him, Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided? So is he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."

B. 1 Timothy 6:9-10—Paul's Warning Against Covetousness

1. Paul knew that covetousness was a great temptation for the rich.
2. He also realized that covetousness motivated people who wanted to get rich.
3. *Covetousness* (HEB) = insatiable craving, greed and lust for more—especially at the expense of others
    a. Proverbs 22:16 (NIV-84): "He who oppresses the poor to increase his wealth and he who gives gifts to the rich—both come to poverty."

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   b. Jeremiah 17:11 (NIV-84): "Like a partridge that hatches eggs it did not lay is the man who gains riches by unjust means. When his life is half gone, they will desert him, and in the end he will prove to be a fool."
4. *Covetousness* (GK) = a desire for things that exceeds a desire for God
   a. You know you've crossed the line if your desire for things begins to exceed your desire for God.
   b. Matthew 6:24 (MSG): "You can't worship two gods at once. Loving one god, you'll end up hating the other. Adoration of one feeds contempt for the other. You can't worship God and Money both."
   c. Psalm 119:36 (MSG): "Give me a bent for your words of wisdom, and not for piling up loot."
5. Covetousness results in disaster.
   a. 1 Timothy 6:9-10 (MSG): "But if it's only money these leaders are after, they'll self-destruct in no time. Lust for money brings trouble and nothing but trouble. Going down that path, some lose their footing in the faith completely and live to regret it bitterly ever after."
   b. Verse 9 (NLT): "But people who long to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many foolish and harmful desires that plunge them into ruin and destruction."
   c. Proverbs 15:27 (NIV-84): "A greedy man brings trouble to his family."
   d. Ecclesiastes 5:13 (NLT): "Hoarding riches harms the saver."
   e. Mark 4:25 (MSG): "Generosity begets generosity. Stinginess impoverishes."

C. 2 Kings 5:27—Disastrous Results of Covetousness

1. Verse 27—Gehazi was the shrewd servant of Elisha. Even though Elisha refused payment for the healing of King Namaan, Gahazi's greed got the best of him. He collected payment anyway and ended up with leprosy as punishment.
2. 2 Chronicles 26:5, 16, 21—As long as King Uzziah sought the Lord, God made him to prosper. But the stronger he got, the more greedy and prideful he became. The result was destruction. He became a leper and remained so until his death.
3. Matthew 26:14-16; 27:3-5—Judas hung himself for betraying Jesus for 30 pieces of silver.
4. Acts 5:1-11—Ananias and Sapphira fell dead for holding back their money and lying about it.
5. Take note of modern-day examples of covetousness—those involved in "Ponzi Schemes."

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Ready to Distribute—Willing to Communicate

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A. 1 Timothy 6:17-18—Be Ready to Distribute

1. Paul knew that the rich had a tendency toward being tightfisted with their money.
   a. Mark 12:41-44—Jesus watched how people gave.
   b. Verse 44 (NLT): "For they gave a tiny part of their surplus, but she, poor as she is, has given everything she had to live on."
2. He had to instruct them to be ready to distribute.
   a. Giving to God with their tithe
   b. Giving to the ministry with their offering
   c. Giving to others in need
3. *Ready to distribute* (GK) = Liberal and free in their giving
   a. MSG: "Be extravagantly generous"
   b. AMPC: "Be liberal and generous of heart"
4. *Distribute* (GK) = To share; to give some kind of contribution
   a. This is not an occasional act.
   b. It is a regular, consistent, habitual contributing of finances.
5. Genesis 12:2 (AMPC): "And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you [with abundant increase of favors] and make your name famous and distinguished, and you will be a blessing [dispensing good to others]."

B. 1 Timothy 6:17-18—Be Willing to Communicate

1. Paul also knew that the rich had a tendency to be snobby and standoffish to those of lower status.
2. Luke 16:19-31—The Rich Man and Lazarus
   a. The rich man had nothing to do with the beggar while he lived on the earth.
   b. The rich man spoke to the beggar through Abraham after they died.
   c. He was haughty in life and haughty in death.
3. That kind of attitude had to be broken.

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   a. The wealthy should be the loveliest people on earth.
   b. As you prosper, you don't stop tithing. You don't stop giving. You don't stop giving to the poor. You live by your giving.
   c. You should continually get softer in your heart toward other people, listening to the Lord and being obedient.
   d. Remember, faith works by love, and you're going to have to have it.
4. *Communicate* (GK) = KOINONIKOS
   a. To be sociable
   b. To be ready for fellowship
5. 1 Peter 4:9 (AMPC): "Practice hospitality to one another (those of the household of faith). [Be hospitable, be a lover of strangers, with brotherly affection for the unknown guests, the foreigners, the poor, and all others who come your way who are of Christ's body.] And [in each instance] do it ungrudgingly (cordially and graciously, without complaining but as representing Him)."

"If you don't walk in love, you flunk the course!"
—Gloria Copeland

C. 1 Timothy 6:19—Building a Foundation for the Future

1. By following these instructions, the rich will be "laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life."
2. *Laying up in store* (GK)
   a. To store up a treasury
   b. To deposit in abundance for future use
3. *A good foundation* (GK)
   a. Something put down to build upon
   b. Example: The foundation of a building, a wall or a city
4. That they may lay hold on eternal life
   a. Not just for heaven
   b. Eternal life is also the quality of life here and now.
5. Matthew 6:20-21 (NIV-84): "But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

D. Psalm 112—Profile of a Prosperous Believer

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