

“The Blessing Of God” Part 2

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Proverbs 10:22 King James Version

22 The blessing of the Lord, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it.

Proverbs 10:22 Amplified Bible

22 The blessing of the Lord—it makes [truly] rich, and He adds no sorrow with it [neither does toiling increase it].

Rich in all areas of your life: relationships, health, finances.

Rich defined: plentiful; abundant. plentiful, abundant, copious, ample, liberal, generous, bountiful; More than enough.

3 John 2 King James Version

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

3 John 2 Amplified Bible

2 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.

So, there is **three kinds of blessings** mentioned here in this passage but not limited to this passage:

1. Material prosperity
2. Bodily healing and health
3. Soul/salvation

So, let's continue and find out what God tells us in the New Testament about the Blessing of the Lord.

2 Corinthians 8:6-9 King James Version

6 Insomuch that we desired Titus, that as he had begun, so he would also finish in you the same grace also.

7 Therefore, as ye abound in every thing, in faith, and utterance, and knowledge, and in all diligence, and in your love to us, see that ye abound in this grace also.

2 Corinthians 8:6-7 Amplified Bible

6 So much so that we have urged Titus that as he began it, he should also complete this beneficent and gracious contribution among you [the church at Corinth].

7 Now as you abound and excel and are at the front in everything—in faith, in expressing yourselves, in knowledge, in all zeal, and in your love for us—[see to it that you come to the front now and] abound and excel in this gracious work [of almsgiving] also.

Abounding or Abound defined:

To be great in number or amount.

To be fully supplied or filled;

These people were abounding in everything! They locked into what the Apostle Paul was saying and they were full or abounding in faith, knowledge, zeal, and as a result, things started to happen. Physical healing, relationships restored, financial miracles, supernatural wisdom etc.

2 Corinthians 8:9 King James Version

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

2 Corinthians 8:9 Amplified Bible

9 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).

Remember: God's viewpoint of rich is abundant, plentiful, copious, ample, liberal, generous, and bountiful in all areas of your life and there is no sorrow added to it or there's no hopelessness. There will be trials and tribulations but there is no sorrow or hopelessness in God.

More than enough no sorrow/hopelessness and with plenty to do what he called you to do.

Now, we're going to go to 2 Corinthians 9:8...

2 Corinthians 9:8 King James Version

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

All grace, God is able to make all grace or every favor and earthly blessing come to you in abundance for His plan. God has caused them to abound in faith and knowledge, diligence and utterance – all grace – everything that it takes to bring Psalm 112 (that we studied last week) come to pass. We should be thriving in Christ in all areas of our life.

Psalm 112:9 King James Version (KJV)

9 He hath dispersed, he hath given to the poor; his righteousness endureth for ever; his horn shall be exalted with honour.

2 Corinthians 9:9 King James Version

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

By the Holy Ghost the Apostle Paul has brought this over into the New Covenant from Psalm 112:9.

2 Corinthians 9:10 King James Version

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;)

He that ministers. It doesn't say provides, it says ministers seed to the sower. What does minister mean? Jesus is the high priest of the Body of Christ, He is the head and He walked in the blessing without measure. So, how does He minister? Salvation, baptizer in the Holy Ghost.

How does He do it? Does He have to come down here to earth and lay hands on us? NO!

My hands are now His hands. We, you and I who call ourselves Christians or imitators of Jesus Christ are to do His work. Because we are the Body of Christ.

In the Greek, Christ means: “the anointing”. The anointing is the blessing in manifestation, the glory of God in force. He uses the body of His anointing to minister. Minister in the book of Hebrews actually means administration and is translated priest, counselor, servant of God or provides.

We or the church say “ministries”. We talk about the high priest of Jesus because the power goes through Him and now the power goes through us. Jesus is the high priest or the high minister. Seed to the sower He ministers and bread for you to eat He ministers.

The multiplying of the seed sown He ministers and you're the minister that He intends it for. He has deep, deep desires to use you to minister food where it is needed and seed for those who are believing for seed.

Then at other times when the Lord says, go over there and multiply the seed where we sowed into someone and now you're the multiplier. All grace, all grace He said, He is able to make all grace abound toward you.

Unfortunately, most of the Body of Christ has put off this blessing until we get to heaven.

The reason many have done this is they try to walk in faith and it doesn't happen right away (our time table) so they give up (quit) they get weary. They think, God must not want me to do this or have this healing and say it just must not be His will. Well, when did God's will or plan change on account of you.

Let me ask you something – since we are talking about grace (every favor and earthly blessing).....did you earn your salvation? If you tried - you ain't got it.

Did you earn the infilling of the Holy Spirit? How'd you get it? Wasn't it by grace?

Did you earn your faith? How'd you get it – we just found out how they got it, they got it by grace!

What makes you think you have to earn your money (outside of God's blessing)? Now, don't get all excited... I didn't say you don't have to work. But when you're working in the blessing, the blessing is out there working for you.

So, here you are working and resting in God or His Plan because it doesn't matter what you're making (what they're paying you). The only reason you're there is because God (if it's His will and not yours) has put you there.

Now, why would HE do that? Why is He so deeply interested in where you work and where you go? Many people decide themselves where they will go...“I'm not going to work at some low paying job, or I'm holding out for a manager's position or I'm not going anywhere unless they are paying me more than I'm getting here”. We put conditions on what we will do in the Kingdom of God. Remember, that's not a job you're going to, it's an assignment. That salary is just some seed – it doesn't say that's what you're going to live on.

Ephesians 4:28 King James Version

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.

If God told you to go somewhere don't talk back, don't whine and complain– “I just don't want to go work there, I hate the people I work with, it's not enough money, it's too far away, the people are bad – it's.....”. Well, why do you think you've been sent there? Because You Are Blessed!

God has placed you on a temporary assignment because:

- You're supposed to go over there and release (here I am!)
- You're supposed to go over there and bless somebody
- You're supposed to go over there and give
- You're supposed to go over there and lend
- You're supposed to go over there and be righteous and your seed will be strong in that place
- You're supposed to be a witness

You don't know what's going to happen where God has called you to go. You may end up owning the company, you may lead everyone to Christ or they may all reject you and despise you. But, God will say 'thanks for going where I asked you to go and I will never forget the seed that you sowed, I will never forget your obedience.'

Then God will say, "Come on, I've got another job for you". There was a man when I was growing up in the church that came to Christ after 20 years of his wife praying for him. After giving his life to Christ he became the model employee. Just a few years later he wound up buying the tool and dye shop and employing several men in the church and for those who would come to the church looking for help because of no work – he hired them and witnessed to them.

All we need to do is learn to say, "Sir, Yes Sir." WE need to have the mindset of: Where do You want me next? Where are we going this time? Our job under the blessing is to expand the Kingdom and change the environment wherever we go.

Our job is to bring light into a dark place. But your work, your diligence, your utterance, your faith – everything needs to be flowing in the blessing and not out of your own flesh.

You should be the hardest worker in the place of business that God has assigned you to. Not because you're dependent upon the wage that you're making, God will take care of you (still be a good steward) but to bring the blessing of God into that place.

“Well then, let me ask you something Pastor Grant, how's He going to take care of me?” I don't know. I don't know how or when it will happen but I do know HIS Word says if you need food He will minister you food. If you need money He will minister money and when it comes to multiplying you seed He will multiply it and it will have nothing to do/contingent upon where you're working (McDonalds, hotel, Ford Motor, etc) God's blessing is not based on that.

Matthew 6:33 King James Version

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

Matthew 6:33 Amplified Bible

33 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.

It might look a little rough sometimes, but until God calls you to your next assignment keep doing what you're called to do. Keep loving on everyone when they are calling you all sorts of names and saying you're crazy. Keep smiling every morning when you come to work say "good morning", keep moving forward in righteousness. My objective is not to be liked by becoming like the ungodly, I'm not supposed to care (about what this world thinks) my objective is to bring the blessing of God in that place and rid that place of the curse and get the sorrow out of it.

Before you know it, things will start to happen and people will start to bless you as well and you won't even know why. What will happen is that God will speak to someone and say I have a person on assignment that's believing in Me for some seed that I need you to go bless. So I need you to go plant \$500 worth of seed and a blessing into their lives.

What happens to you over a period of years, your faith will increase and you'll get to the point where "bad news" is not going to shake you. The circumstance or information that is contrary to God's Word won't rattle your cage because you're diligent. If you do what you're supposed to do and you're diligent before the Lord you don't have to care what anyone else thinks or what the circumstances are.

I don't have to worry about what anyone else thinks or says about me when I'm doing what I'm supposed to be doing (THE WORD OF GOD).

Do you know what I think about what they think? NOTHING!

Revered Jerry Falwell is a great example of not caring about what people think. Everyone around him said, don't get involved in "the moral majority" that's political – he said that's not political it's Biblical. They said stop helping people with their jobs, money and cars, that's the government's job – he said no – that's the church's job.

"Well Pastor Grant, shouldn't I care that everyone thinks I'm nuts for doing this Biblically honest, not politically correct?" That's not my job or assignment to care what anyone else thinks. My assignment is: no matter where I'm at or what I'm going through, I want to show people that God is in control and that my hope is in Him and that's my assignment. That's all the care that you and I should have. God's Word says so and here's why...

1 Peter 5:6-7 King James Version

6 *Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that **He may exalt you in due time:***

7 *Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.*

1 Peter 5:6-7 Amplified Bible

6 *Therefore humble yourselves [demote, lower yourselves in your own estimation] under the mighty hand of God, **that in due time He may exalt you,***

7 *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.*

I'm not speaking to you tonight saying you don't have a mountain in front of you, that's denial – I'm here to tell you the Word, God's Words and not my own.

1 John 4:4 King James Version

4 Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.

Romans 10:17 King James Version

17 So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

I'm going to close tonight by reading from Psalms 37 and let this take hold of your supernatural man this week.

Psalms 37:23-34 King James Version

23 The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord: and he delighteth in his way.

24 Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the Lord upholdeth him with his hand.

25 I have been young, and now am old; yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread.

26 He is ever merciful, and lendeth; and his seed is blessed.

27 Depart from evil, and do good; and dwell for evermore.

28 For the Lord loveth judgment, and forsaketh not his saints; they are preserved for ever: but the seed of the wicked shall be cut off.

29 The righteous shall inherit the land, and dwell therein for ever.

30 The mouth of the righteous speaketh wisdom, and his tongue talketh of judgment.

31 The law of his God is in his heart; none of his steps shall slide.

32 The wicked watcheth the righteous, and seeketh to slay him.

33 The Lord will not leave him in his hand, nor condemn him when he is judged.

34 Wait on the Lord, and keep his way, and he shall exalt thee to inherit the land: when the wicked are cut off, thou shalt see it.

Psalm 37:23-34 Amplified Bible

23 The steps of a [good] man are directed and established by the Lord when He delights in his way [and He busies Himself with his every step].

24 Though he falls, he shall not be utterly cast down, for the Lord grasps his hand in support and upholds him.

25 I have been young and now am old, yet have I not seen the [uncompromisingly] righteous forsaken or their seed begging bread.

26 All day long they are merciful and deal graciously; they lend, and their offspring are blessed.

27 Depart from evil and do good; and you will dwell forever [securely].

28 For the Lord delights in justice and forsakes not His saints; they are preserved forever, but the offspring of the wicked [in time] shall be cut off.

29 [Then] the [consistently] righteous shall inherit the land and dwell upon it forever.

30 The mouth of the [uncompromisingly] righteous utters wisdom, and his tongue speaks with justice.

31 The law of his God is in his heart; none of his steps shall slide.

32 The wicked lie in wait for the [uncompromisingly] righteous and seek to put them to death.

33 The Lord will not leave them in their hands, or [suffer them to] condemn them when they are judged.

34 Wait for and expect the Lord and keep and heed His way, and He will exalt you to inherit the land; [in the end] when the wicked are cut off, you shall see it.