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MOVING FROM THE LAND OF LACK TO THE LAND OF PLENTY

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INTRODUCTION

“For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and springs, flowing forth in valleys and hills;

A land of wheat but and barley, and vines and fig trees and pomegranates, a land of olive trees and honey;

A land in which you shall eat food without shortage and lack nothing in it; a land whose stones are iron and out of whose hills you can dig copper”.

-Deuteronomy 8:7,9

Many people believe and act upon the Biblical principles of tithing and giving offerings, yet they never seem to able to leave what I call the “land of even”. Though their basic needs are met, they feel as though they're living from paycheck to paycheck.

The word of God clearly teaches that God desires for us to lived in the “land of plenty”. God brought the Israelites out of the land of lack, through the land of even and in into the land of plenty.

It was God's will for every one of the Israelites to live in abundance. However, the sad fact is only a handful of those who came out of Egypt actually crossed over the Jordan and lived in the land of promise -the land of plenty.

Precisely the same situation appears in every generation - a few enter into the best God has provided for them through Jesus Christ, while the majority barely gets by. They struggle and struggle, seeing a better land but remaining confused as to why they cannot take up residence there.

This book focuses on one of the main reasons for the failure to “enter in”. There are a variety of road blocks to the abundant life. But in this book, I center in on a major one about which, I believed, we all need to be encouraged.

I pray your prosperity will radically increase as the result of reading this book and applying the principles you have read.

CHAPTER 1

SOW YOUR SEED - THE WHAT?

"While the earth remains, seedtime and harvest...shall not cease." - Genesis 8:22

Any person desiring a harvest knows he must first plant seed. Without seedtime, there can never be a harvest. This is a spiritual, as well as a natural, law. Therefore, in ministering we often teach people how to prosper in every realm through this God-established principle of sowing and reaping.

This book, however, does not focus on sowing seed, but on how to water the seed already sown. God has been showing me that many people sow without ever enjoying the harvest He would love to give them because they are not properly caring for seed sown.

Proper seed Planted in proper ground Under proper conditions Produces a prosperous harvest!

The principal I share in this book is simple, but I have sensed in urgency to put it in writing. For many people this principle maybe a "missing link" to prosperity.

The Lord spoke to my heart, "Joyce, you need to have a special season of watering the seed you have sown. This is preparation for a new level of prosperity". He quickly began placing specific Scriptures on my heart which help me understand what He wanted me to do and why.

We are taught to sow our seed, but what comes after that? The seed requires proper care. It will grow and produce a harvest only under proper conditions.

CHAPTER 2
WATER YOUR SEED

“For as the rain and snow come down from the heavens, and return not there again, but water the earth and make it bring forth and sprout, that it may give seed to the sower and bread to the eater,

So shall My Word be that goes for it all out of my mouth: it shall not return to me for a [without producing any affect, useless], sheep but it show a compilation that which I please and purpose, and it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it .”

- Isaiah to 55:10,11

A careful study of the above Scripture verses reveals a Biblical principle that operates in both the natural and spiritual realms. Rain and snow [water] to come down and water the seeds in the earth to make it bring forth a harvest.

God's Word operates in the same way. When it is spoken out in faith, the A Word does not return void [does not return without accomplishing something], but prospers whatever it is spoken over. The Word of God spoken out in faith waters the seed. Ephesians 5:26 refers to the washing of water with the Word.

Speaking God's Word over the financial seed we have sown will cause that seed to prosper [grow] and bring forth a harvest. Just as natural seed will not produce a harvest without being regularly watered, neither will spiritual seed.

CHAPTER 3

DON’T CURE YOUR SEED

At times believers may speak in agreement with what they see happening around them instead of speaking in agreement with what God has promised in the Bible. They are cursing their seed without realizing what they are doing! Continuing to speak in line with God's promises while the seed is growing is important to bringing us out of the “land of even” into the abundant harvest.

Verses 10 and 11 of Malachi Chapter 3, a Chapter well-known for its teaching on tithing and giving, describes the blessings God tells Israel tithing will bring: God will rebuke the devourer for the tither's sake! The fruit of their ground will not be destroyed and all nations will call them happy and blessed. (vv 11,12) By obeying God's directions, rather than following the world's system, they would be blessed.

Chapter 3 also describes God's instruction to Israel on how to be cursed! Verse 8 states that withholding tithes and offering robs God. God addresses Israel in verse 9: You are curse with the curse, for you are robbing Me, even this whole nation [v. 9]. The Lord wanted the people to bring their tithes to the storehouse to prove Him. When they brought tithes in obedience to His system, He would pour them out a blessing so big, there would not be room to contain it.

God was trying to get the people to follow His system so that He could bless them. Instead of expressing their faith in Him through their words, Malachi says the people's words have been strong and hard against God:

“Your words have been strong and hard against me, says the Lord. Yet you say, What have we spoken against you?” to - Malachi 3:13

Malachi 3:14,15 says:

“You had said, it is useless to serve God, and what profit is it if we keep His ordinances and walk gloomily as if in mourning apparel before the Lord of hosts?

And now we consider the proud and arrogant to be happy and favored; evildoers are exalted and prosper ; yes, and when they test God, they escape [unpunished].”

I have heard people say [and I've even said this myself during times of frustration], “What good is it doing me to give all the time? Every time I turn around, we are having financial trouble. Even unbelievers seem to do better financially than I do.”

I remember a woman who worked for me being confused because her unbelieving, stingy brother always had more money than she and her husband, who were believers trying to operate in the principles of giving.

Psalms 37:1 teaches us not to fret over evildoers, nor be envious of them. Sometimes it looks as if worldly people have more material things than those who are trying to serve God, but we are promised in the end we will inherit the earth.

[v. 11). As it is said, “ It isn't over until it's over.”

Worldly people sometimes obtain things through means that are unacceptable according to God's Word by compromising, cheating, people pleasing and doing all sorts of all other things that displeases God.

These methods, however, produce no peace or joy. They may temporarily produce things, but the effectiveness of these methods usually does not last forever.

The child of God seems to go through a testing. -

a period of doing what is right even though he doesn't seem to be getting the right results. As he persists in faith, breakthroughs start happening. He eventually ends up with a harvest, only his harvest is accompanied by peace and joy! It has come to him by righteous means - not unrighteous ones.

What is said during these testing times is very important. Proverbs 18:21 states:

“Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and they who indulge in it shall eat the fruit of it [for death or life].”

To begin blurting out negative statements from emotions is extremely unfruitful. Speaking it out of our emotions is not the right thing to do. Our emotions usually don't do well in times of testing. As we mature in Christ, we learn to control both the emotions and the mouth.

You and I can speak death or life to our seed. After we give- after our seed has been planted -we should speak life to it. Water that seed with the Word of God. Don't curse it by speaking negative things.

Speaking about our financial future or about the principles of giving in a negative way ministers death to the seed we have just planted. The result is this: it will not mature and bring forth an abundant harvest in our lives.

Speaking positively when everything seems to be going wrong is especially challenging. I can remember becoming very upset in the beginning days of our Spirit-led walk with God. When Dave would tell me we needed to buying new tires or to repair the lawn mower - or, even worse, replace it!

The refrigerator would break down, or the washing machine would quit rinsing the clothes properly. It seemed as though it was always something, and satan used it to confuse me. “We are giving!” I would say, “And I do not understand why these things keep happening.”

I had not learned the power of praise -of refusing to complain no matter what the circumstances appeared to be. I had not learned to call those things that are not as if they are. [Romans 4:17].

I spoke emotionally. I was upset, and I said things that were negative. I felt negative, so I spoke negatively! Therefore, we stayed in the land of even. We barely survived from paycheck to paycheck, needing a miracle every month to make ends meet. But, praise God, He sticks with us, and by His spirit, He teaches us how we can be blessed.

I learned the dangers of complaining. I found First Corinthians 10:10 which says, “ nor discontentedly complained as some of them did-and were put out of the way entirely by the destroyer [death]. When that Israelites complained and murmured, snakes came into the camp and bit them. Many people died.

I don't mean physical death will result from complaining, but I do believe there is a principle here which we need to give close attention. Complaining ministers death. It steals are joy, our peace and our progress. If people complain about what the already have, why should God get them anymore to complain about? Complaining is a sign of immaturity - a sign of carnality.

Complaining is a normal function of the flesh -we must always have to resist it. But as we choose to walk in the Spirit, there is no room for it. The normal atmosphere for those walking in the Spirit is one of praise and thanksgiving.

Don't kill your seed with your words! Water the seed you have sown by speaking life to it. Call those things that are not [the negative things you see round you] as if they are [lining up with

God's promises to you in His Word]. To give God praise and thanksgiving. He will grow the seed you have sown into an abundant harvest to take you into the land of plenty!

CHAPTER 4

PLANT MORE SEEDS TO MEET MORE NEEDS

"And God is able to make all grace [every favor and blessing] come to you in abundance, so that you may always and under all circumstances and whatever the need to be self-sufficient [possessing enough to require no aid or support and furnished in abundance for every good work and charitable donation]."

- II Corinthians 9:8

My husband, Dave, and I have a desire to meet more needs, as I'm sure you do also. You and I cannot meet more needs without a greater harvest in our lives. To have more output, we must have more income. God desires to meet our own needs abundantly and also provide enough that we may help others meet their needs. *It is time to water your seed so that you can eventually meet more needs!*

The ability to meet more and more needs occurs in levels or degrees. The Lord gives us a little to take care of and as we are faithful it, He gives increase and allows us to be stewards over more.

[See Matthew 25:23.) Matthew 25 shares a parable of the talents. A man gave three of his servants talents according to their individual abilities then traveled to a distant country. Two of the three servants invested their talents and increased. The fearful third fearful servant hid his in the ground.

When the master returned for an accounting, he rebuked the servant who had acted in fear and gave that servants talent to one of the servants who had invested an increased his talents. The fearful servant lost even the one talent he had. The two who invested and increased were honored and brought into a new level of prosperity and responsibility.

Matthew 25:23 says: "His master said to him, Well Done, you bright [honorable, admirable] and faithful servant! You have been faithful and trustworthy over it a little; I will put you in charge of much. Enter into and share the joy [to the delight, the blessedness) which your master enjoys.

As I look back to the place I began when I initially learned these principles, I am amazed at how far God has brought Dave and me in being blessed and being a blessing. You and I should never desire only blessings for ourselves. God spoke a promise to Abraham recorded in Genesis 12:2 "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]."

Actually both areas progress simultaneously. As we bless others [sow seeds], we are blessed [reaped a harvest]. We see clearly that the principles of seedtime and harvest do remain today.

David and I know the principles of sewing and reaping . We know the meaning of Acts 20:35: “It is more blessed to give than to receive [KJV].

Giving brings tremendous joy into our lives. It is enjoyable to fill our minds with ways to bless others. My giving has become one of my highest priorities in my life -God is first, my family is second and my giving is third.

I spent many frustrating years struggling, trying to change myself and all my circumstances. I must admit I was unhappy until I discovered the secret to joyful living - it is joyful giving! I took my mind off myself and purposely turned my thoughts to how I could be a blessing to someone else.

If you have not discovered the secret of joyful living, purposely think of ways to be a blessing to others with what God has made available to you. Follow through and become a radical giver of your time, talents, money and prayers. In fact, give your entire life to God for His service, and be determined to look for ways to bless others.

As we joyfully give, we are sowing seeds that will eventually produce a harvest of blessing in every realm of our lives: spiritual, physical, financial, social and mental. Sowing seeds is the basis upon which to believe God for progress.

Dave and I have been tithing since we were married in 1967. We tended a Church that taught tithing, and we experienced a protection on our lives as result of obeying the Word in this area. But we still lived in what I refer to as “the land of even”.

As we began seriously studying and practicing the word of God, we started stepping out into new levels of giving. When God recently spoke to me saying, “I want you to have a season of watering the seeds you have sown, because I want to bring you into a new level of prosperity,” I was excited. I know that God does promote people, and He does it in levels. Usually, everything does not, all at once.

I knew it was important for me to listen and grasp what He was trying to show me. You may be at the same place right now I was. God desires to promote you into new levels of prosperity, and He wants you to begin to water the seeds you have sown. God wants you to prepare to prosper!

CHAPTER 5

THE PRACTICAL SIDE OF WATERING YOUR SEED

We have seen we need to stay positive, even in the challenging times that test us. You and I must resist the temptation to speak negatively even when we feel negative. But we also need to go the extra mile to speak positive things on purpose and confessed Scriptures pertaining to giving over our seed.

This is what God showed me to do: every day -perhaps even several times a day- quote Bible verses aloud that pertain to prosperity. Remember, it is the Word that waters the seed.

I made a list of these Scriptures. Many I'd already knew; others I committed to memory or read from either a notepad or the Bible.

In looking at all of the Scriptures and writing them down, I had to do a little homework. I have done your homework for you and provided you with a list of good “Watering Scriptures” to use in watering it your seed. You will find them at the back of this book.

Soon after I began to practice what God had spoken to me, I saw results. I was confessing an increase harvest for both the ministry and our personal finances. Within two weeks I saw both areas increase in blessings.

Several large offerings came into the ministry, and I noticed over a period of several weeks the general finances of the ministry increased overall.

I was personally blessed with some money and even experienced an increase in gifts being given to me. I was careful to remember to give more also. I urge you to always remember to be a blessing. Don't ever be foolish enough to eat your seed. Any time your harvest comes in or increases, set aside seed to sow. The idea is to plant and water until you see harvest, then keep planting and watering during harvest.

As one harvest runs out, another will be coming in. You will eventually move into an area of living in harvest. You will be living in the “land of plenty,” the equivalent of the Promised Land, referred to in the Bible!

The principle of confessing the Word of God is simple -s o simple, in fact, it could be overlooked. I learned the power of confession many years ago. *Vine's Complete Expository Dictionary of The Old and New Testament Words* defines the word “confess” in the Greek as homologeo which means “to speak the same thing”; “to assent, accord, agree with”; “to confess, declare, admit”; “to declare openly by way of speaking out freely, being the effect of deep conviction of

facts”.

We must be an agreement with God if we desire for His will to manifest in our lives. Being in agreement with Him include speaking in agreement with Him. God wants to bless us even more even more than we can imagine.

Joshua 1:8 says: “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 should all make your way prospers, and then you shall deal wisely and have good success. “

I sincerely believe if you will plant your seed and diligently water it with the Word, you will see a greater harvest manifest in your life. James 5:7 reminds us, “So be patient, brethren and, [as you wait] till the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits expectantly for the precious harvest from the land. [See how] he keeps up his patient [vigil] over it until it receives the early and late rains.

The farmer maintains a specific routine in caring

for the seed he has planted until his harvest comes in. He is patient about it. He does not expect to plant the seed and have it produce a harvest the next day. Nor does he plant it, walk away from it, and expect to do nothing else to provide for it's care. He continues to water it , pull weeds, and make sure it gets plenty of sunshine.

First Corinthians 3:6 says, “I planted, Apollos watered, but God [all the while] was making it grow and [He] gave the increase.”

Paul was talking about the seed of God's Word planted in the hearts of the people, but the principle is the same. Paul planted the Word in them, Apollos watered it and God gave the increase. We can never have increase without planning seed, and neither can we have increase without watering the seed that has been planted.

SCRIPTURES THAT WILL WATER YOUR SEED

I believe confessing these Scriptures aloud, mixed with faith, will increase your harvest. Meditate on them as Joshua 1:8 teaches. They will become part of your life, and you will prosper and have good success.

“Then Isaac sowed seed in that land and received in the same year a hundred times as much as he had planted, and the Lord favored him with blessings. 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.”

Genesis 26:12-14 (AMP)

“And I will make My covenant (solemn pledge) between Me and you and will multiply you exceedingly.”

Genesis 17:2 (AMP) “See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil,in that I command you today to love the Lord your God, to walk in His ways, and to keep His commandments, His statutes, and His judgments, that you may live and multiply; and the Lord your God will bless you in the land which you go to possess. ”

Deuteronomy 30:15,16 (NKJV)

“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. “

Psalm 84:11 (KJV)

Blessed shall you be when you come in and blessed shall you be when you go out.

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 a 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.

And the Lord shall make you the head, and not the tail; and you shall be above only, and you shall not be beneath, if you heed the commandments of the Lord your God which I command you this day and are watchful to do them.”

Deuteronomy 28:6,8,11-13 (AMP)

“Trust in the Lord instead, Be kind and good to others; then you will live safely here in the land and prosper, feeding in safety.”

Psalm 37:3 (TLB)

“The generous man will be prosperous, And he who waters will himself be watered.”

Proverbs 11:25 (NASB)

“The merciful, kind, and generous man benefits himself [for his deeds return to bless him], but he who is cruel and callous [to the wants of others] brings on himself retribution.”

Proverbs 11:17 (AMP)

He who gives t the poor will not want, but he who hides his eyes [from their want] will have many a curse.”

Proverbs 28:27 (AMP)

Note: I would say now, “I have given to the poor.

I care about them. Therefore I am blessed.”

To the reader: You, of course, may turn these Scriptures into very personal confessions based upon your individual giving.

“Cast your bread upon the waters, for after many days you will find it again.”

Ecclesiastes 11:1 (NIV)

“Save now, we beseech You, Oh Lord; and send now prosperity, O Lord, we beseech You and give to us success!”

Psalm 118:25 (AMP)

“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.”

Psalm 35:27 (AMP)

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

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

Psalm 37:25-26 (AMP)

My confession is, “I AM ABLE TO GIVE!”

“May the Lord give you increase more and more, you and your children.

May you be blessed of the Lord, Who made heaven and earth!”

Psalm 115:14,15 (AMP)

“The blessing of the Lord brings wealth, and He adds no trouble to it.”

Proverbs 10:22 (NIV)

“But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor eat hear, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.”

I Corinthians 2:9 (KJV)

“Blessed is the one who does not walk in step with the wicked or stand in the way that sinners take or sit in the company of mockers,

But whose delight is in the law of the LORD, and who meditates on his law day and night.

That person is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither— whatever they do prospers.”

Psalm 1:1-3 (NIV)

“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.”

Proverbs 3:9-10 (NKJV)

“If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land.”

Isaiah 1:19 (AMP)

”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.”

Joshua 1:8 (NKJV)

“No one's ever seen or heard anything like this,Never so much as imagined anything quite like it—What God has arranged for those who love him.”

I Corinthians 2:9 (MSG)

“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]

Ephesian 3:20 (AMP)

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

Luke 6:38 (KJV)

Note: I turn these Scriptures into first person confession when I quote them aloud over my seed. For example, I would say this one like this:

“I have given, and it is given unto me, good measure, pressed down and

shaken together, and running over, shall men give into my bosom. For with the same measure that I have meted out to others, it shall be measured to me again.

“And my God will liberally supply (fill to the full) your every need according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus.”

Philippians 4:19 (AMP)

“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.”

2 Corinthian 8:7 (AMP)

My confession is, “I EXCEL IN ALMSGIVING!”

[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 selfsufficient [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 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.”

2 Corinthians 9:6-11 (AMP)

“And God is able to make all grace abound to you, that always having all sufficiency in everything, you may have an abundance for every good deed.”

2 Corinthians 9:8 (NASB)

“But seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.”

Matthew 6:33 (NKJV)

“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 John 1:2 (AMP)

“...I pray good fortune in everything you do, and for your good health - that your everyday affairs prosper, as well as your soul.”

3 John 1:2 (MSG)

“I, even I, have spoken; yea, I have called him: I have brought him, and he shall make his way prosperous.

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

Isaiah 48:15,17 (KJV)

“Behold, My Servant shall deal wisely and shall prosper; He shall be exalted and extolled and shall stand very high.” (This Scripture is referring to Jesus, but remember we are joint-heirs with Him.)

Isaiah 52:13 (AMP)

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.

2 Chronicles 26:5 (AMP)

“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 Corinthians 8:9 (AMP)

“The earth has yielded its harvest (in evidence of God's approval]; God, even our own God, will bless us.”

Psalm 67:6 (AMP)

Let them shout for joy and be glad,

Who favor my righteous cause;

And let them say continually,

“Let the Lord be magnified,

Who has pleasure in the prosperity of His servant.”

Psalm 35:27 (NKJV)

“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”. Deuteronomy 8:18 (AMP)

“Therefore keep the words of this covenant, and do them, that you may prosper in all that you do.”

Deuteronomy 29:9 (NKJV)

“my cup runneth over.”

Psalm 23:5 (KJV)

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.

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

Malachi 3:10-12 (KJV)

“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.”

Deuteronomy 30:9 (AMP)

“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).”

John 10:10 (AMP)

“The eyes of the Lord are toward the [uncompromisingly] righteous and His ears are open to their cry.”

Psalm 34:15 (AMP)

“They spend their days in prosperity...”

Job 21:13

“Prosperity and welfare are in his house, and his righteousness endures forever.”

Psalm 112:3 (AMP)

“... but prosperity is the reward of the righteous.” Proverbs 13:21 (NIV)

"...but he who trusts in the Lord will prosper." Proverbs 28:25 (NIV)

"Saying, Blessing I certainly will bless you and multiplying I will multiply you."

Hebrews 6:14 (AMP)

"And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to Him must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who earnestly seek Him."

Hebrews 11:6 (NIV)

Be sure you plant your seed into good ground. The Bible says in Deuteronomy 26:12-14, we should not give out tithe to the dead. After planting, expect to be blessed and say so. Confess frequently:

***I am blessed, and I am a blessing.**

***Everything I lay my hand to prospers and succeeds.**

*** I am blessed when I come in and blessed when I go out.**

*** I have favor everywhere I go.**

*** God is multiplying me.**

*** I seek first the kingdom of God and He adds all other things that I need.**

*** I love to give.**

*** I always have plenty of see to sow and bread to eat.**

*** My cup runs over.**

*** Goodness and mercy follow me all the days of my life.**

*** I always have more than enough.**

By confessing these and other Scriptures you find and by making these personal confessions, you will build an image of prosperity in your spirit. Your spirit wants to work for you, but it can only produce what you put in it.

When your spirit, mind and mouth line up in agreement with God, you are undefeatable! As you develop a prosperous image, and keep an expectant attitude toward prosperity, you will begin to reap a harvest in abundance.

NEVER EAT YOUR SEED! Each harvest produces seed to sow as well as bread to eat. Keep sowing, and you will eventually come to the place where you continually have a new harvest coming in.

Amos 9:13 says: Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, that the plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him who sows the seed and the mountains shall drop sweet wine and all the hills shall melt (that is, everything heretofore barren and unfruitful shall overflow with spiritual blessing].

I believe we have entered those days. Jesus is coming back soon. He is returning for a glorious Church - not a poor, pathetic, broken-down Church. I have written this book to help you prepare to prosper. I know that prosperity is God's will for each person.

Prosperity is not just money, but blessing in every realm. Sow your seed, water it with the Word of God, expect a harvest and prepare to prosper!