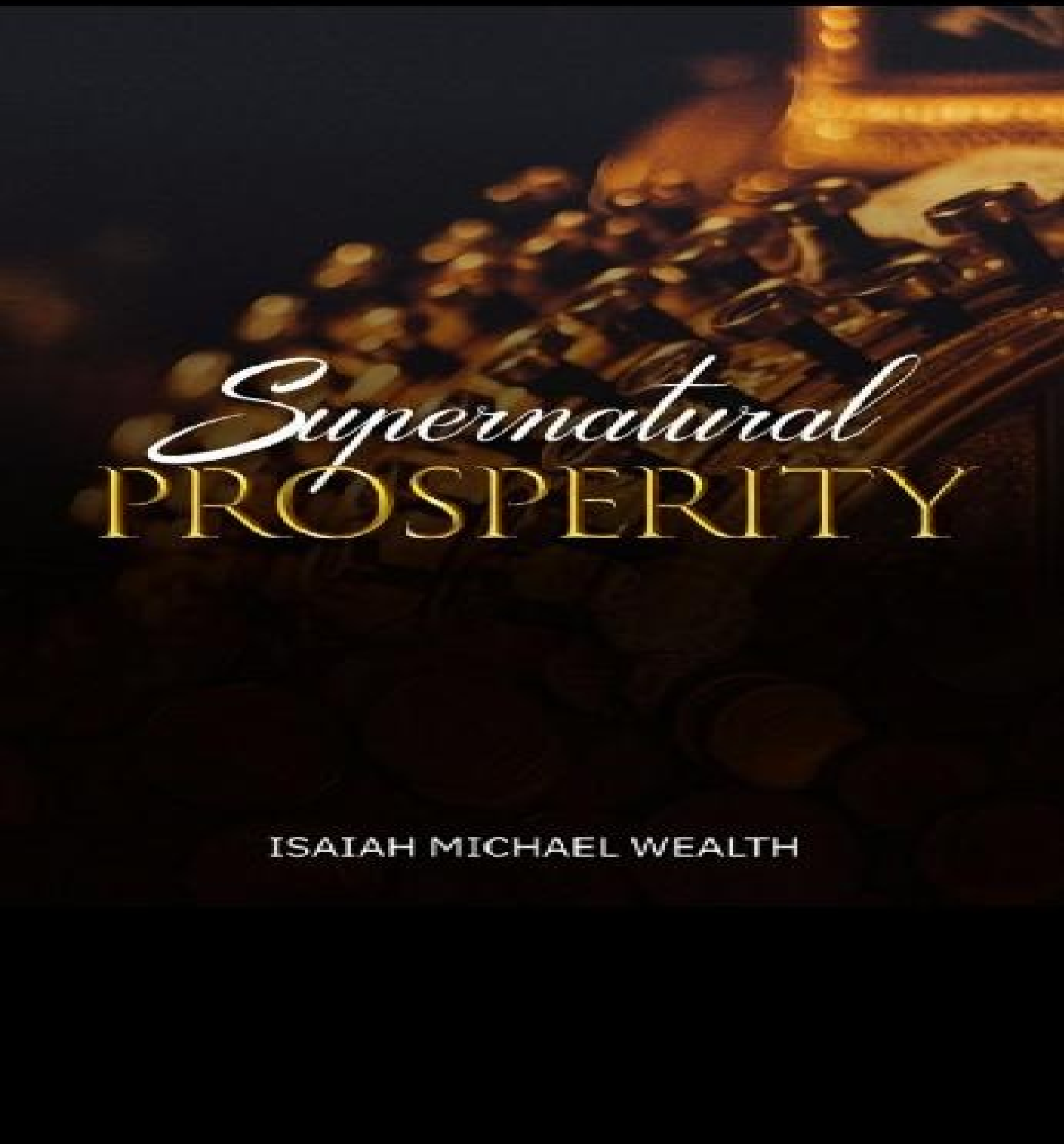

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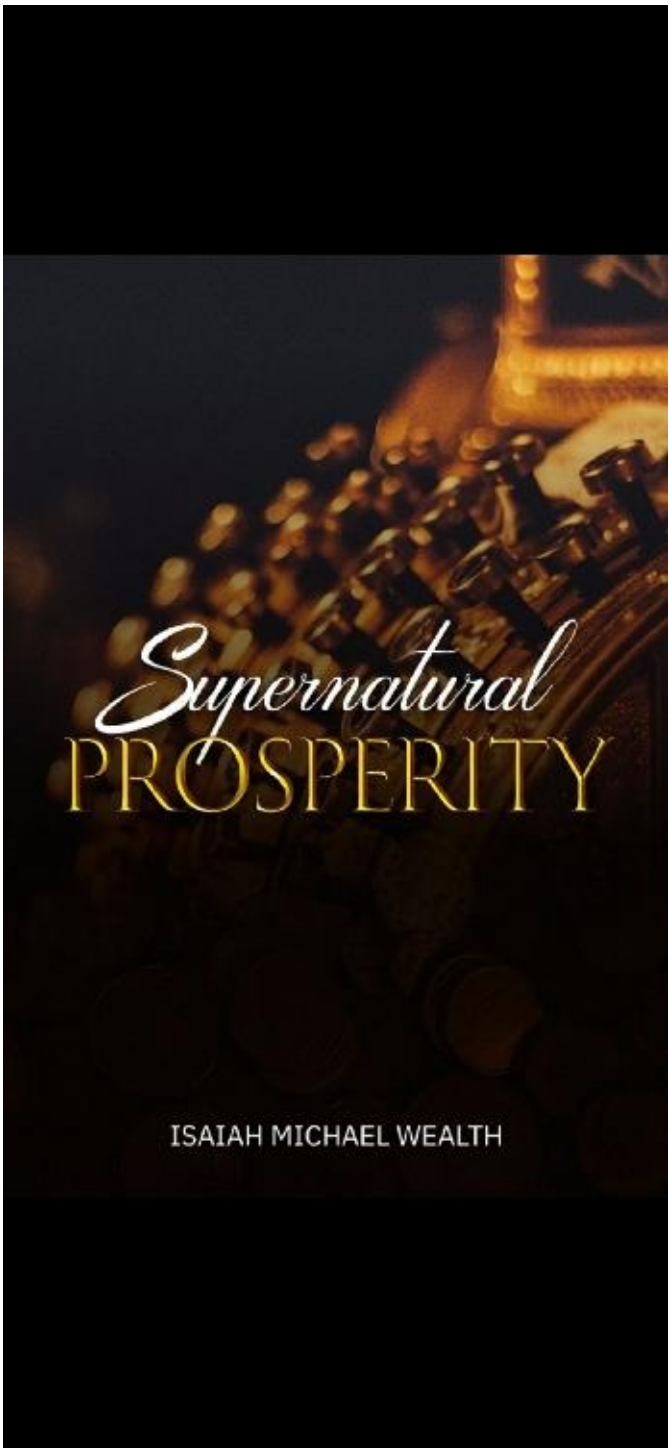

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od wants you to prosper and it is He who gives the power to get wealth.

Bu t thou shalt rememberthe LORD thy God: forit ishe that giveth theepowerto get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he swareunto thy fathers, as it isthisday.

Deuteronomy 8:18

So if God gives the power to get wealth as the scripture above shows, then he must have principles that we can seek to understand and engage to get wealth. Unlike the natural ways of acquiring wealth, God's principles are built on His integrity hence they are unchanging and cannot fail. The people of this world practice only the natural principles but these can work today and fail tomorrow depending on the economic situation. This explains why someone may be so rich today and become so poor and helpless tomorrow. The recent crash of Wall Street and the more recent devaluation of some global currencies are pure examples of how fickle and

unstable the natural principles of wealth are. We therefore cannot rely on natural ways of getting wealth alone, we need to understand supernatural principles and how they work.

Our primary focus in this book would be on how you can prosper by seeking the kingdom of God and his righteousness and how to prosper by the covenant of prosperity.

v CHAPTER ONE

SEEKING THE KINGDOM

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eeking the kingdom of God is one of the core supernatural principles we must operate if we desire to enjoy the God kind of prosperity. The scriptural concept

of seeking the kingdom of God is probably one of the most taught subjects in the church today. We see Jesus' reference to it in Matthew chapter 6 verse 33;

Bu t seek yefirstthekingdom of God,andhis righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Matthew 6:33

Jesus said that if we seek the kingdom all these things shall be added unto us. By these things, he was referring to the things that we need to enjoy life. We see this in verses 31 and 32;

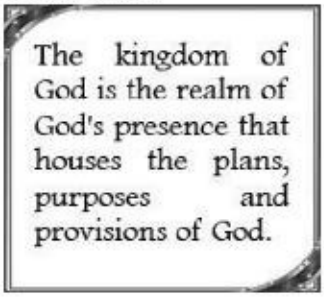
Th ereforetakeno thought, saying, what shall we eat? or, What shall wedrink? or,Wherewithal shall wehe clothed?(Forafterall thesethingsdo the Gen-

tiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye haveneedof all thesethings.)

Matthew 6:31-32

Just think about this. Jesus says the things that the Gentiles seek after and probably go extra length to get, God is willing to give to you as an addition when you seek His Kingdom. So while the one who is not Kingdom minded is toiling day and night, cutting corners and living in compromise just to make ends meet or build an empire for himself, seeking the Kingdom of God guarantees you access to God's kind of prosperity without sorrow or regrets.

Theblessing ofthe LORD,it maketh rich,andhe addethno sorrow withit.
Proverbs10:22



Thus, we see that God wants to add lands, properties, influence and great wealth to you. But first, you must learn to seek His Kingdom. This is the understanding I want you to learn from this chapter so you can be positioned to receive the wealth that God has in store for you.

Seeking the kingdom is often taught literally as seeking the things of God first giving priority to the things of God. This is quite true but there is much more to seeking the kingdom of God. Before we delve into that, we need to understand

what the kingdom of God is because you cannot seek what you do not know and understand.

What is the Kingdom?
The kingdom of God is the realm of God's presence that houses

the plans, purposes and provisions of God. Presence in this context refers to dominion, authority and rule. This is the realm of God's dominion, authority or rule that houses His plans, purposes and provisions. There is a realm where God is, where all of God's plan, purposes and provisions for life is housed.

Seeking the kingdom
Seeking the kingdom is therefore pressing and pushing into that realm of His presence. In that realm, God's plans, purposes and provisions are readily available for you. In other words to seek the kingdom is to seek the presence of God.

The reason many are clueless about their future and destiny is because they do not understand God's plans for their lives and many others fail because they do not seek the kingdom. The plans, purposes and provisions for your life were destined in God before the foundation of the world.

Having predestinated usunto theadoption of children by JesusChrist to himself, according to thegood pleasureof hiswill, Inwhom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according tothepurposeofhim who worketh allthingsafterthecounselof his own will: That weshouldbe to thepraiseofhis glory, who firsttrusted inChrist.

Ephesians1:5, 11-12

Like prophet Jeremiah, before you were born into this world God knew you and ordained you to have a glorious and prosperous life.

Befor eI formed theeinthebelly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, andIordained theeaprophet unto the nations.

Jeremiah 1:5

Every believer has a purpose in God but the first step towards this purpose is seeking the kingdom of God. When you seek the kingdom, your spirit opens up and you begin to know and understand God's purpose for you by the Spirit.

Every vision of God or from God has a provision attached to it. When you take delivery of God's plans, purposes, you automatically access His provisions.

When the Lord met Moses by the burning bush in the wilderness, he was given access into God's plan and purpose for his life but when Moses was faced with unrelenting and adamant pharaoh, he received access to the provisions required to subdue pharaoh. We see this in the turning of Aaron's rod to a snake and other plagues that the Lord sent upon Egypt

W hen Pharaoh shall speak unto you, saying, Shew a miracle foryou: then thou shalt sayunto Aaron, Takethy rod, and castitbeforePharaoh, and it shall become a serpent. And Mosesand Aaron wentinuntoPharaoh, and they did soas the LORD had commanded: and Aaron cast down his rod before Pharaoh, and before his servants, and it became a serpent.

Exodus7:9-10
This shows us that many are helpless and

stranded because they have not accessed this realm.

The wife of the dead prophet in 2kings chapter 4 also did not have access to the provision of God for her and she remained in debt until the prophet Elisha opened her eyes to the plan of God for her supply, and as she obeyed, she gained access into God's provision.

Th en he said, Go, borrow theevesselsabroad of all thyneighbours,even empty vessel; borrow not a few. Andwhen thou art come in, thou shalt shut the doorupon theeand uponthy sons, and shalt pour out into all thosevessel, and thou shalt set aside that whichisfull. Soshe went from him, and shut thedoorupon herand upon hersons, whobrought the vesselsto her; and she poured out. And it came to pass, when the vessels were full, that she said unto her son, Bring me yeta vessel. Andhesaid unto her, there isnot a vessel more. And theoil stayed.Then-she came and told themanof God. Andhe said, Go, sell theoil, and pay thy debt, and live thou and thy children oftherest.

2 Kings4:3-7

Even Jesus had access to the provisions of God for His ministry when he fed the five thousand people. He had access to God's presence and by virtue of this, he had access to plans, purposes and ultimately the provision of God. You therefore need to desperately seek the presence of God because it is only in His presence that you can access His plans and purpose and provisions for your life.

Furthermore, we need to understand what it means to really seek so that we may fully under stand what it means to seek the kingdom.
What does it mean to seek?

To seek is to have an overwhelming, burning and controlling desire for a person or thing, so much that it forms the basis or foundation of your judgement, decision and destination. This means that when someone seeks something, he has an overwhelming desire for a thing, that desire determines how he decides, where he goes and what he does.

To seek the kingdom therefore is to have an overwhelming desire for the kingdom - the realm of God's presence, that desire is what forms or determines your decision and destination. To really know what you are seeking, check the factors that determine what you do and what takes first place in your life. Your mind, passion and desire should be focused on the kingdom of God. We see the passion of Jesus in his words when he taught his disciples to pray.

Thy kingdomcome. Thy will be done inearth, as it isinheaven.
Matthew 6:10

A believer who wants to enjoy prosperity God's way must seek the kingdom and this would reflect in his daily decisions, judgement and focus. His focus will therefore be on spending more time in the presence of God.

Seeking the kingdom of God should become a priority in your life. What you are passionate about, no one begs you to pursue and what you pursue diligently and consistently over a period of time becomes present or active in your life. Seeking the kingdom should therefore become a lifelong pursuit for you if you want continuous access to God's purposes and plans for your life. That way, you are never stranded or in lack.

There are two extremes of seeking. Anyone who is not seeking the kingdom is on either extreme:

not seeking the kingdom at all or seeking things. So if a man is not seeking God he is either not seeking at all or seeking things. If you must prosper, you should make up your mind to seek God and to develop a relationship with Him

There are also four dimensions of relationship in the kingdom. I have also outlined them below.

1. *Thosewho know about the kingdom:*people in this dimension are unsaved and probably just know about the existence of the kingdom but they do not really understand what the kingdom is and how it operates.

2. *Thosethat areborn into thekingdom:*These are those who are born again but many here though saved do not know God's plan for their lives and this is because they do not seek the kingdom

3. *Thosewho preach about the kingdom:* The people in this dimension of relationship with the kingdom preach about the kingdom but that does not necessarily mean that they are seeking the kingdom. It is possible to preach the kingdom and not seek the kingdom.

4. *Thosewho seek thekingdom:* These are not just born again, they seek the presence of God and hence are able to access God's plan, purposes and provision for their lives.

The question now is, which dimension of relationship do you have with the kingdom of God? To further illustrate what it means to seek the kingdom, I have outlined the following;

1. To seek the kingdom is letting your heart be filled with passion for God's work and for God's house. Hezekiah is an example of a man who had a passion for God's work and God's house. We

see how he restored God's house in 2chronicles chapter 31 verse 2;

A nd Hezekiah appointed the courses of the priestsand theLevites aftertheircourses, every man according to his service, the priests and Levites for burnt offerings and for peace offerings, to minister, and to give thanks, and to praiseinthegatesof thetentsof the LORD.He appointed also the king's portion of his substanceforthe burnt offerings, to wit, forthe morning and eveningburntofferings, and the burntofferingsforthesabbaths, and forthenew moons,and fortheset feasts,as it swritten in thelaw of the LORD.Moreoverhe commanded thepeoplethat dwelt inJerusalem to givethe portionof thepriestsandtheLevites, that they mightbe encouraged inthe law of theLORD. Andassoon as the commandment came abroad, thechildren of Israel brought inabundancethe firstfruitsof corn, wine, and oil, and honey,and of all theincrease of the field; and thetitheof all thingsbrought they inahundantly.And when Hezekiah and the princes came and saw the heaps, they blessed theLORD, and hispeople Israel. Then Hezekiah questioned with the priests and the Levites concerning the heaps. And Azariah the chief priest of the house of Zadok answered him, and said, Sincethepeople began to bring theofferingsinto thehouseof the LORD,wehavehad enough to eat, and haveleft plenty: fortheLORD hath blessed hispeople; and that which isleft isthisgreat store.Then Hezekiah commanded to preparechambersin thehouseof theLORD; andthey prepared them, Andbroughtinthe offeringsandthetithesand the dedicated things faithfully: over which Cononiah the Levite wasruler, and Shimei his brotherwas thenext. And Jehiel, andAzaziah, and Nahath, and Asahel, and Jerimoth, and Jozabad, and Eliel, and Ismachiah, and Mahath, and Benaiah, wereoverseersunderthehand of Cononiah and Shimei his brother, at the commandment of Hezekiah the king, and Azariah therulerof the-

houseof God. AndKore thesonof Imnah theLevite, theportertoward theeast, was overthefreewill offeringsof God, to distributethe ohlationsof theLORD,and the most holy things. Andnexthim wereEden, and Miniamin, and Jeshua, andShemaiah, Amariah, and Shecaniah, inthecitiesof thepriests, in their set office,to giveto theirbrethren by courses, as well to the great as to thesmall:Beside their genealogyof males, fromthreeyears old and upward, even unto every one that enterethinto thehouseof theLORD,hisdaily portionfortheir service in their charges according to their courses; Bothto thegenealogy of thepriestsby thehouseof theirfathers, and theLevites from twenty yearsold and upward,intheircharges by theircourses; And tothege nealogyofall theirlittle ones, theirwives, and theirsons, and theirdaughters, throughall thecongregation: forintheirset officethey sanctified themselves inholiness: Also of thesonsof Aaron the priests, which wereinthefieldsof thesuburbsof their cities, in every several city, themen that were expressed byname,to giveportionsto all the males among thepriests, and to all that were reckoned by genealogiesamong the Levites. And thus did Hezekiah throughout all Judah, and wrought that which was good and right and truth beforetheLORD hisGod.

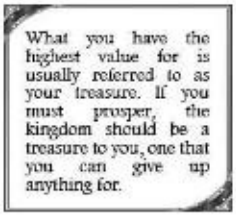
2Chronicles31:2-20

Hezekiah was so zealous about the house of God that he restored the offerings and the priesthood. He had a deep passion for the house of God that he restored everything to the right order as prescribed by the laws of Moses. Verse 21 shows that in all he did, he was seeking the Lord with all his heart and because of this he prospered.

A ndinevery work that hebegan intheservice of thehouseof God, and in thelaw, and inthe commandments, toseekhisGod,he did itwith all hisheart, and prospered

2Chronicles31:21

Jesus also was one full of zeal for God's house. He was so zealous that he threw the changers out of the temple with a whip. *AndtheJews'passoverwas at hand, and Jesus wentupto Jerusalem, Andfoundinthetemple thosethatsold oxen andsheep anddoves,and thechangersof money sitting: Andwhen he had made a scourgeof small cords, he drovethem all out of the temple,and the sheep, and theoxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew thetables; Andsaid untothem that sold doves, Takethesethingshence; make not my Father'shousean houseof merchandise. And his disciples remembered that it was written, Thezeal of thine househath eaten meup. John2:13-17*



When our hearts are filled with passion for God's house and work, this reflects in our actions of giving all that is required to make things work in his house. It may be giving our time, money and other needed

resources. Seeking the kingdom is placing the highest value on the kingdom and thus having a willingness to give up anything for it. What you have the highest value for is usually referred to as your treasure. If you must prosper, the kingdom should be a treasure to you, one that you can give up anything for. The scripture below emphasizes this;

A gain, the kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure-hid ina field; thewhich when a man hathfound, he hideth, andforjoy thereof goeth and sellethall that hehath, and buyeth that field.

Matthew 13:44

The kingdom is likened to a treasure that a man found and he was willing to sell all to obtain the treasure. This should be your mind-set and your attitude. As a young man, I found the treasures of the kingdom. I never thought I would be a pastor but as a young lad I used to go from school to school preaching the kingdom, there was nothing I could not give up for the kingdom. It was my passion and it burned like fire in my bones. And today many years later, the kingdom is still my passion. I am still seeking the kingdom and preaching the kingdom but now to the nations of the earth. The kingdom should thus take the first place in your life and you must have be willing to give up anything for it.

2. Seeking the kingdom is loving God above pleasure and comfort. In these last days, the scriptures say that many will become lovers of themselves more than lovers of God.

Th is know also,that in the last days perilous timesshallcome. Formen shall be loversof their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce,despiersof thosethat aregood, traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than loversof God;

2Timothy 3:1

This means that they will love pleasure and their comfort more than God. They will prefer to please themselves than to please God and thus

put their pleasure ahead of God. The story of Daniel in the lion's den is a perfect example of what it means to serve even at the detriment of your life. Daniel refused to stop seeking God despite the repercussion;

A ll the presidentsof thekingdom, the governors, and the princes, the counsellors, and the captains,haveconsulted togetherto establish a royal statute, andto makea firm decree, that whosoevershall ask a petition of any God or manforthirty days, saveof the, O king, he shall be castintotheden of lions.

Daniel 6:7

Daniel decision to serve God was not conditional and because of his resolve not to change his mind, the Lord delivered him.

Th en said Daniel unto theking, O king, live for ever. My God hathsenthisangel, andhath shut thelions'mouths, that they havenot hurt me: foras muchas beforehim innocency wasfound inme; andalso beforethe, O king, havel done no hurt.

Daniel 6:21-22

The story of the three Hebrews boys shows more about what it means to really seek God. They refused to seek another God despite the fury of the king and the consequences of their refusal;

Shadr ach, Meshach, and Abednego, answered and said to theking, O Nebuchadnezzar, weare not carefulto answertheeinthismatter. If t be so, ourGod whomweserveisable todeliverus from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliverusout of thinehand, O king. Butif not, be it known unto the, O king, thatwewill not servethy gods, norworship thegolden image which thou hast set up.

Daniel 3:16

They did not love their life even at the point of death. If we want to truly desire to seek the kingdom, we must love God more than our personal comfort and convenience. A person you really love is one you desire to please. Therefore, if we claim to love God, our focus should be on pleasing Him alone regardless of the circumstance.

4. Seeking the kingdom is prioritizing the knowledge of God above every other knowledge. The knowledge of this world always contradicts or stands against the knowledge of God. we see this in 2corinthians chapter 10 verse 5;

Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedienceof Christ;

2Corinthians10:5

The knowledge of this world always seeks to exalt itself against the knowledge of God but we must give priority and exalt the knowledge of God above the knowledge of the world in our lives. This means that we must always choose to believe the word whether it makes sense or not. No matter what you feel or think, decide to believe the word of God.

Let the word of God be your conclusion on every matter.

5. Seeking the kingdom is to stay your mind on God despite all the things fighting for your attention. As you go about your daily activities, there are many things vying for your attentions. It may be your bills, loved ones, businesses etc. but you must choose to keep your minds stayed or focused on God. When you keep your mind stayed on him, you would gain access into his presence and his peace.

Th ou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mindis-stayed on thee: becausehe trusteth in thee.

Isaiah 26:3

This peace does not just refer to quietness or tranquility although both are elements of peace. The Hebrew meaning of the word is 'perfect peace' or 'peace of peace'. Another Hebrew meaning is prosperity. This means that when we keep our minds stayed on God in communication, he will keep us in the perfection of peace and prosperity.

Therefore wherever you are and whatever you do daily, learn to keep your mind stayed on Him, meditate on his word and ponder on his goodness.

Thus far, I have established the revelation that to seek the kingdom is to seek the realm of God's presence that houses his plans, purposes and provisions. This is to desperately seek his presence, but how do we access this presence?

We can access this realm when we have a seeking heart- a heart that constantly seeks after God.

H ow to develop a seking heart

1. *Createtimeforworship:*To develop a seeking heart, you need to create time daily for worship. Worship is concentrated adoration that is expressed in words, songs or in music. When we worship, we fixate our hearts on God in adoration for whom he is. The first characteristic of worship is reverence and this opens you up to receive from the Spirit of God. Time to worship will not come to you automatically but you have to create time regardless of your schedule. In worship, we fix our hearts on God in admiration, awe and veneration and as we consistently spend time in worship, we gain access to His

plan, purpose and provision and all that He is flows or is channeled into us, refining us and moulding us to be who He has created us to be

2. *Createtimefordaily prayer:*In truth, we cannot seek God without his help. Prayer is therefore an application for His assistance. The advantage of praying in the Spirit cannot be overemphasized at this point because when you pray in tongues, the Holy Spirit prays through you and prays the exact will of God for your life. What an advantage! It is one which you can enjoy daily as you create time for prayer. (Please consult my book 'Prayer Study course series' to learn more about prayer).

3. *Talk totheLord regularly*: Some persons only know how to talk to the Lord in their devotion but you can talk to him about everything, every time- when you are sad, happy, discouraged or excited. Do not wait until your allocated prayer time to talk to him. You can talk to him under your breath throughout your day. Also ensure the He is the first one you talk to when you wake up in the morning. This also will help you to develop a seeking heart.

4. *Deliberately set youraffectionson him by yourwords:* You need to learn and practice how to set your affections on the Lord with your words. You can say words like 'I love you Lord', 'I need you more in my life' 'I cannot live without you' 'help me to serve you'. With these kinds of words, you are declaring your love and total dependence on Him.

5. *Know HimthroughHisword and fellowship:* the word of God reveals the nature and person of God. Many persons are unable to walk with God in faith and confidence because they do not really know him. You can only walk with God as much as you know him. Therefore, when you

spend time with his word in meditation and fellowship, you get to know more of him and become able to walk better with him.

6. Makepleasing God thecentreof yourthought, words and actions: A man who prioritizes pleasing God in all areas of
his life will easily access the realm of God's presence. Our
thoughts, though unseen by man are seen by God and
important to him. To ensure that our thoughts please him, we
need to renew our minds with his word-exchange our
thoughts for his. This is important because our thoughts
determine our words and actions. They are a reflection of what
we think about. So we need to train ourselves to speak his word
to every person we talk to and to every situation we meet.

Seeking the kingdom is necessary if we must enter into the realm of God's presence where all we need for life and Godliness has already been made available. Yet seeking the kingdom is not a one-time thing. It is what we must continually do. We must continue to seek the kingdom so that we can continually access the realm of His presence.

CHAPTER TWO

SEEKING HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS

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eeking the Kingdom of God only brings you into the potential of having all your needs met. It is

seeking the righteousness of God that brings you into the reality of

it. We thus need to also seek the righteousness of the kingdom. We would therefore now go into the study of what it takes to seek the righteousness of the kingdom.

But seek yefirstthekingdom of God,andhis righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Matthew 6:33

The righteousness of God are the principles that activate or unlock the plans, purposes and provisions. Seeking the kingdom does not automatically give you access into the plans, purposes and provisions of God. It is as we seek His righteousness that we unlock and activate them.

However, you cannot seek the righteousness of God without first seeking the kingdom of God. You cannot access the righteousness of God if you have not first entered into the realm of His presence. This is why the

Seeking the kingdom does not automatically give you access into the plans, purposes and provisions of God. It is as we seek His righteousness that we unlock and activate them.

scriptures speak of seeking the kingdom before seeking His righteousness.

Seeking the kingdom gives you access into that realm and seeking his righteousness unveils the principles that will unlock what God has prepared for you in that realm. These principles are

revealed in the Gospel which is the word of God as we see in Romans chapter 1 verse 16 to 17.

F orI am notashamed of thegospel of Christ: for it isthepowerof Godunto salvationto everyone that believeth; to theJew first, and also to the Greek. ForthereinistherighteousnessofGod revealed from faithto faith: as it iswritten, The just shall liveby faith.

Romans1:16-17

Where are the principles found?
The principles that unlock the plans, purposes and provisions

of God are revealed in the gospel, found in the word of God. When you seek the kingdom, you access the realm where God's plans, purposes and provisions are housed. But when you enter that realm, the word begins to open up to you, then the principles that will activate the plan, purpose and provision will be released to you.

Reading the bible does not show you the righteousness of God. It is the revelation or opening up of the word that makes you find the righteousness of God and it is the presence that unveils the principles. This may account for why many people spend hours reading the word and find nothing. It is letters to them they are unable to access the revelation of the word. They may have ignored seeking the presence or realm of God. Therefore, seek the righteousness of God because that is what unlocks the word and reveal the principles that you need to prosper.

People who do not seek the kingdom cannot access the principles they are mysteries to them.

A ndhe said, Unto you itisgivento knowthe mysteries of the kingdom of God: buttoothers inpara-

bles;thatseeingthey mightnotsee, and hearing they mightnot understand.

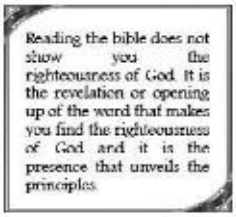
Luke 8:10
It is a mystery to them because they cannot understand how the kingdom operates.

How the kingdom operates.
The kingdom is a seeing and hearing realm. The righteousness

of God cannot be accessed if you cannot see or hear. If you can see, hear and understand in that realm, you will be converted. *Thereforespeak I to theminparables: because they seingseenot; and hearing they hearnot, neither do they understand. And in them is fulfilledtheprophecyof Esaias,whichsaith, By hearing yeshall hear, andshall not understand; and seeing yeshall see, and shall not perceive: Forthispeople'sheart iswaxed gross, and their earsaredull of hearing,and theireyesthey have closed; lestat any timethey should seewiththeir eyes, and hear with their ears, and should understand with their heart, and should be converted, andI shouldheal them.*
Matthew13:13-15

Please note the phrase 'any time', this means that your access to the principles of God's Kingdom can happen at any time dependent on when you see, hear and understand. Hence your access into God's provisions for you in that realm is not dependent on God but on when you see, hear and understand the principles of the kingdom. When you see, hear and understand, the principles convert you.
This conversion does not mean being born again, but it is a transfer from the terrestrial to the celestial where you begin to

function in the realms of God. In this realm nothing is impossible to you.



The devil does not want you to see and understand, so he will do anything to stop you from seeking the kingdom and His righteousness. If he is unable to stop you from seeking the kingdom, he will try to stop you from seeking his righteousness. Therefore, as you seek his presence; you must seek the principles by giving attention to the word of God. You need to make a renewed commitment to study and meditate on the word so that you can obtain the principles that will activate the plans, purposes and provisions of God for your life.

In Proverbs chapter 4 verse 20, we see a direct instruction on what to do with the word;
My son, attend to my words; inclinethine ear unto my sayings. Let them not depart from thine eyes; keep them inthemidst ofthine heart. For they are life unto those that find them, and health to all theirflesh.
Proverbs4:20

From the scripture above we can identify four things to do with the word of God which reveals the righteousness of God.

1. *Attendtotheword:*Give attention to the word daily. You can create time in your devotion to study the word of God. Apart from your de-

votion time, separate other times to fellowship with the word.

2. *Incline yourearsto theword:*To incline your ears to the word is to deliberately search and make effort to find it. The word is hidden, therefore to find it, you must search diligently for it.

3. *Do notlet the word depart:*Satan's strategy is to steal the word from you. So refuse to allow worries or your challenges take the word away from you.

4. *Keep theword:*Meditation is what keeps the word in your heart. So Meditate on the Word always to keep it in your heart.

As you do this while seeking the kingdom you will be changedconverted by the Spirit of God;
But weall, with open facebeholding asina glass theglory of theLord, arechanged into the same imagefrom glory to glory,even as by theSpirit of theLord.
2Corinthians3:18

Then, you will begin to gain access to the principles of the kingdom that will give you access into financial prosperity.

The wealth you desire is first connected to seeking the kingdom and His righteousness because when we do seek His Kingdom and His righteousness, all that you need is added to you.

CHAPTER THREE

KINGDOM INITIATED ADDITION

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he reason for many worries experienced today is the lack of the revelation that God has made all we need available in Christ Jesus.

A ccording as hisdivinepowerhathgiven unto usall thingsthat pertain unto lifeand godliness, throughtheknowledge of him that hathcalled usto glory and virtue: Whereby aregiven unto usexceedinggreat andpreciouspromises:that by these ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escapedthecorruptionthat isin theworld through lust.

2Peter1:3

This promise and supply is however conditioned on seeking the kingdom of God and his righteousness. The result of seeking the kingdom of God and His righteousness is addition of things. That is what I call kingdom Initiated Addition.

Bu t seek yefirst the kingdom ofGod, andhis righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Matthew 6:33

But sadly many believers seek things instead of seeking the kingdom. Many times, this scripture is taught to mean that we should seek God first and seek things second. This is not true! kingdom

If we seek the and I lis righteousness first, we will

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never need to seek things. God the father already knows that

we need these things and he has a plan to give them to us.

Th ereforetakeno thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, wherewithal shall webe clothed? (Torafterall these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Fatherknoweth that yehaveneed of all thesethings.

Matthew 6:31-32

We are not supposed to seek things because the system of our kingdom is different from the system of this world. Although we are in the world, we are not of this world.

Ifyewe reof theworld, theworld would lovehis own: but becauseyearenot of theworld, but I havechosen you out of the world, thereforethe world hatethyou.

John15:19
They arenot of theworld, even a I am not of the world.
John17:16

The principles that govern our kingdom are different from the principles that govern this world. Therefore, the decision to live solely based on the principles of this world will lead us into failure. The people of this world seek things but we are to seek the kingdom of God and His righteousness.

Th eproblem of seeking things
The problem of seeking things is that it forms the basis of your judgement, decision and action. These steal your passion and commitment to God and this desire for things can make you do anything to get it. I am not saying you should

not go about your normal business- that is extreme but my point is that you should not let the desire to acquire things control your life. When I defined what it means to seek earlier, I said that to seek is to have an overwhelming desire for something so much that it forms the basis of your judgment, decisions and actions. This means that what you seek can begin to control you. Thus you must always remember that you were not called to seek things. The result of seeking the kingdom of God and His righteousness is addition of things. So when you seek God, the addition of things is automatic

There are provisions made for you by the Father with your name attached to them but there may be an unbeliever somewhere occupying your position. Your focus should not be on attempting to reclaim your possession. It should be on seeking the kingdom and his righteousness because God already has a plan to put it in your hand

For God giveth to a man that is good in his sight wisdom, and knowledge, and joy: but to the sinner he giveth travail, to gather and to heap up, that he may give to him that is good before God.

Ecclesiastes 2:26

As we see in the scripture above, God gives the sinner- one who does not serve him the travail of gathering these things so that he can transfer it to you. This addition is not initiated by you, it is initiated by God Himself. But how does God do this? He will begin to bring ideas and people your way that will cause the wealth to be transferred to you. You may work a job or run a business but it will be clear to you that God is adding these things into your life. You do not need to travail, worry or fight for them like the sinner.

The path of seeking things is a path of travail and turmoil. Many people worry and have sleepless nights about how to acquire things. But you are told not to worry because God knows you need the best in life and he has already made provision for them.

Be not ye th erefore like unto them: for your Father-knoweth what things ye haveneed of, beforeyeask him.

Matthew 6:8

(Forafterall thesethingsdo theGentilesseek:) foryourheavenly Fatherknowethhthatyehave need of all thesethings.

Matthew 6:32

The gentiles- the people of this world seek things but you simply need to begin to seek the kingdom and His righteousness and all these things will be added unto you.

The proof that a believer is seeking the kingdom and His righteousness is that all things are added unto him because you cannot seek the kingdom and his righteousness the right way and be poor. This is a guaranteed and sure way into prosperity.

CHAPTER FOUR

THE SECRET COVENANT OF PROSPERITY

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he covenant of prosperity is a covenant to build the house of God. It is covenant to do all within

and beyond your power to ensure that God's house does not lay in

ruin or reproach. A man who operates this covenant of prosperity can never be poor, because the covenant provokes the commitment of God to his prosperity.

This covenant proceeds from a mind-set that prioritizes the house of God above one's own house. This is the mind that King Joash possessed;

A ndit came to passafterthis, that Joash was mindedtorepairthe houseof the LORD. Andhe gathered togetherthepriestsand theLevites, and said to them, Go out unto the cities of Judah, and gatherofall Irael money to repairthehouseof your God from year to year, and see that ye hasten the matter. HowbeittheLevites hastened it not.

2Chronicles24:4-5

King Joash had a mind to build the house of God and he gathered the people together and they made a collection until there was more than enough to repair the house of God;

A ndthey made a proclamation through Judah and Jerusalem, to bring in to the LORD the collection that Moses the servant of God laid upon Israel inthewilderness. Andall theprinces and allthepeoplerejoiced,and broughtin, and cast into thechest, until they had made an end.

2Chronicles24:9-10

Tithes and offerings which we will discuss later are necessary for the maintenance of the house God;

Will a manrobGod? Yet yehaverobbedme. But yesay, Whereinhavewerobbed thee? In tithes and

offerings. Yearecursed witha curse: forye haverobbed me, even thiswhole nation. Bring yeall thetithesinto the storehouse, that there may be meat inminehouse, and proveme now herewith, saiththe LORD of hosts, if I will not open you thewindowsof heaven, and pouryou out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receiveit.

Malachi3:8-10

Therefore if a man refuses to pay tithes and give offerings he is robbing God because he is taking away the provision that God has made for the maintenance of His house. You cannot claim to love God and not love his house. Beyond this, in other to build and expand the house of God, there will be need for special collections like we see in the scripture above.

And we see that the collection was made, and there was much money- more than was needed to repair the house of God.

N ow it came to pass, that at what time thechest was broughtunto the king'sofficeby thehand of theLevites, and when they aw that therewas much money, the king's scribe and the high priest'sofficercame and emptied the chest, and took it,andcarrieditto hisplaceagain. Thus they did day by day, and gathered money in abundance.

2Chronicles24:11

A man who is passionate to build God a house is a man that knows the importance of a fat account. This is why the mind set of some who claim that the church has too much money, and those who even refuse to give so that the church will not have too much money is completely foolish. According to scriptures as we see above, the people gathered money in abundance for the work of the house of God. This is how it ought to be be-

cause God is a God of Abundance. The collection was made and was used to repair and strengthen the house of God and they finished the work.

A ndthe king andJehoiada gaveit to such asdid thework of theserviceofthe houseoftheLORD, and hired masonsand carpentersto repairthe houseof theLORD,andalso such aswrought iron and brassto mendthehouseof the LORD. So the workmen wrought, and the work was perfected by them, and they set thehouseof God inhisstate, andstrengthened it.

2Chronicles24:12-13

But after the death of Jehoiada the chief, they forsook the house of God and served idols;

N ow after the death of Jehoiada came the princes of Judah, and made obeisance to the king. Then thekinghearkened untothem. And they left the houseof theLORD God of their fathers, and served grovesand idols: and wrath came upon Judah and Jerusalem forthistheir trespass.

2Chronicles24:17-18

And because of this, king Joash did not prosper in his reign. It is impossible to prosper by God when you forsake his house because forsaking his house is forsaking him. The words of prophet Zechariah to king Joash affirms this;

A ndtheSpirit of God cameupon Zechariah the son of Jehoiada thepriest, which stood abovethe people, and said unto them, Thus saith God, Why transgress ye the commandments of the LORD,thatyecannot prosper?becauseyehave forsaken the LORD, he hath also forsakenyou.

2Chronicles24:20

This shows clearly the connection between your commitment to the house of God and your prosperity. A child of God who wants to prosper and enjoy the God kind of prosperity must be addicted to the house of God. He must have a heart for the house of God. This was the record of Jehoiada the chief of king Joash.

A ndthey buried himinthecity of David among thekings, becausehehaddone goodinIsrael, bothtowardGod, andtoward hishouse.

2Chronicles24:16

What it means to love God

To love God is to love his house, therefore you cannot claim to love God if you do not do good towards his house. So it is evident that anyone who has a problem with the riches and the prosperity of the church does not love God. When Obededom accommodated the ark in house after the transgression of Uzzah, his house was blessed;

SoDa vidbrought not the arkhometo himself to thecity of David, but carried it aside into the houseof Obededom theGittite. Andtheark of God remained with thefamily ofObededom in hishousethreemonths. AndtheLORDblessed thehouseof Obededom, andall that hehad.

1Chronicles13:13 14

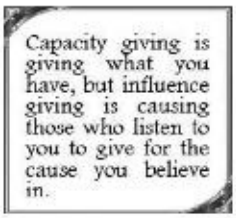
It is not possible to sponsor the house of God and remain poor, it is therefore a privilege for you to partake in sponsoring the house of God. King David had this understanding. He did not just love God, he loved the house of God also as the scripture below confirms;

Th en David theking stood upupon hisfeet, and said, Hearme, my brethren, and my people: As

forme, I had in mineheart tobuildanhouseof rest fortheark of thecovenant ofthe LORD,and forthe-footstool of ourGod, and had madeready forthe-building...
Chronicles28:2-3

Did you see that? He had a heart to build God a house and although he did not get God's approval to build, he still made all that would be needed to build God a house available. This is unlike some people who when they miss the opportunity to give an offering are happy to keep their money, but not David. He instead prepared all that would be needed for the next man to build it. He loved God and His house so much that though he was not going to be the one to build it, he ensured that nothing was lacking that would be needed to complete it.

There are many people in church today who would not build God a house if their name were not directly attached to the accomplishment. If they



do not head the department, they will frustrate the person who is the head by their lack of commitment because they do not really care about the house of God but their own name. But the minute they are announced as the leader, they would even borrow. These do not love God and his house, instead they are driven by fame and the glory of their own name.

F urthermore David theking said unto all the congregation, Solomon my son, whom alone God hathchosen, isyet young and tender, and thework isgreat: forthe palaceisnot forman, but forthe LORD God. Now I have prepared withall my might-forthehouseof my Godthe gold forthingsto be made of gold, and thesilver forthingsof silver, and the-brassforthingsof brass, the iron forthingsof iron, and wood for thingsofwood;onyx stones, andston-estobeset, glisteringstones,andofdiverscolours,an-dall mannerof preciousstones,and marble stonesin abundance.

1Chronicles29:1-3

No wonder he was referred to as a man after God's heart. He not only gave, he also gathered the people together and motivated them to give. By doing this, he made more than enough available for the building of the house. This is what many of us need to learn today. Learn to give beyond your capacity to the level of your influence. Capacity giving is giving what you have, but influence giving is causing those who listen to you to give for the cause you believe in. When you think like this, you find yourself doing much more for the Kingdom of God thereby positioning yourself and your posterity for the God kind of prosperity.

Th en the chiefof the fathersand princesof the tribes of Israel, andthecaptainsof thousands and of hundreds, withtherulersof the king's work, offered willingly, And gavefortheservice of thehouseof God of goldfivethousand talents and ten thousand drams, and of silver ten thousandtalents, and of brasseighteen thousand talents, and one hundred thousand talents of iron.

1Chronicles29:6-7

A man who has a heart for the kingdom or who is addicted to the house of God does not only give, he motivates others to give towards the work of the house of God. Even when David went to battle, he used part of the spoils to dedicate and maintain the house of God;

Outof the spoilswon inbattlesdid they dedicate to maintain the houseof theLORD.
1Chronicles26:26-27

This is the kind of heart God wants you to have. This is the heart that provokes heaven to unleash prosperity on the earth. Every man responds to a true lover. God is the same. You cannot develop this kind of heart if you do not truly have affection for the Lord's House.

By the word affection, I mean to be affected. A man's affection is what has the ability to affect him. What happens to you when you see something in the house of God out of place, do you notice, complain or get affected enough to move swiftly both by capacity and influence giving to fix it? Where is your affection?

M oreover, becauseIhaveset my affectionto the houseof my God, I haveof mine own proper good, of gold and silver, which I havegiven to thehouseof my God, overand aboveall that I haveprepared for theholyhouse,

1Chronicles29:3

Affection also refers to deep love. So, we can say that he had deep love for the house of God. But his love was not automatic. The scripture above says he "set it". You can decide from today to begin to set your affection on the house of God. You can begin this by giving the house of God a higher priority in your finances. This means that

whenever money comes to you, God's house is not left out.

Scripture shows us how that Solomon the son of David also followed this example in the beginning part of his life. He also purposed in his heart to build the house of God according to the admonition of David his father;

A nd, behold, astheLORD spakeunto David my fa ther, saying, Thy son, whom I will set upon thy throne inthy room, heshall build an houseunto my name.

1Kings5:5
And he built it and finished it with the best that David had dedicated for the temple.

Th usall thework that Solomonmade forthe houseof theLORD wasfinished:and Solomon brought inall the thingsthat David hisfather had dedicated; andthe silver, and thegold, and all theinstruments, put heamong thetreasures of thehouseof God.

2Chronicles5:1

Th usSolomonfinihedthehouseof theLORD, and the king's house: and all that came into Solomon's heart to make in the house of the LORD,and inhisown house, he prosperously effected.

2Chronicles7:11

Did you notice the order by which Solomon built in the scripture above? He finished the house of God before his own house. This is the right order!

In th e fourth year was the foundation of the houseof the LORD laid, inthe monthZif: Andin theeleventh year, inthemonthBul, which isthe eighth month, was the house finished throughout allthepartsthereof, and according to all thefashion of it.Sowas hesevenyearsin buildingit.

1Kings6:37-38

When King Solomon ascended the throne, he immediately began to build his house and the house of the Lord simultaneously. However, we see that Solomon placed God's house in the highest priority so that he finished the house in the first seven years of his building. This is what it means to have affection for God. He concentrated the resources that were available on the house of God as his father taught him. It took Solomon another five years after he finished building the house of God to finish his.

But Solomon was building his own house thirteen years, and he finihed all hishouse. 1Kings7:1

When you take seven years from thirteen years, you can see how I came about the five extra years. A lot of people say I will serve God after I graduate, or after my children grow up or after I build my house, or after I retire. This is a wrong priority. Affection for God's house requires putting him first.

Bu t seek yefirstthekingdom of God,andhis righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Matthew 6:33

This is Kingdom priority!
It is wrong priority when you are only concerned about building what pertains to your life first before having any consideration for the house of God in such a way that what eventually comes to the house of God are your left-overs. The house is therefore left in ruin never having enough for its sustenance and expansion.

This was the cry of prophet Haggai in the book of Haggai chapter 1;

Th en came the word of theLORD byHaggai the prophet, saying, Isit time foryou, O ye, to dwell inyourcieled houses, and thishouselie waste? Now therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts; consideryourways. Yehavesown much, and bring inlittle; yeeat, but yehavenot enough; ye drink, but yearenot filled withdrink; yeclothe you, but thereisnonewarm; and he that earneth wagesearnethwagesto putitintoa bagwith holes. Thussaith theLORD of hosts; consider yourways. Go up to themountain, andbring wood, and build the house; and I will take pleasureinit, andI will be glorified, saith the LORD.Yelookedformuch, and, lo, it came to little;and when yebrought it home, I did blow upon it. Why?saith the LORD of host. Because of mine housethat iswaste, and yerunevery manuntohisown house. Thereforetheheaven overyou isstayed from dew,and theearthis stayed from herfruit.

Haggai 1:4-10

The prophet connects their lack and inability to prosper to their neglect of God's house. They laboured but could not enjoy it because they prioritized their houses and their comfort over the house of God. Sadly this is state of many churches today neglected, because everyone is concerned about his own house.

God is therefore looking for men like King David who will have heart for the building, sustenance and expansion of his house. Any man who would make this resolve will never lack for his own house. God is only committed to your prosperity, if you have a heart for his house because he is sure that when he prospers you, He knows that you will be faithful to his house. In these lasts days, the kingdom of God will only spread through the prosperity of the church.

C ry yet,saying, Thussaith theLORD of hosts; My cities through prosperity shall yet be spread abroad;

Zechariah 1:17

God s commitment of prosperity is only to those who will ensure that his kingdom spreads by their wealth. Therefore, make up your mind and resolve in your heart that in your days the house of God- the church of Jesus Christ will not go down. Make a resolve that the house of God will always have more than it needs. If you would make this covenant with the Lord and consistently do it, without doubt you will experience supernatural prosperity like you never imagined. You would always have more than enough for yourself and to give to every good work. This is the secret covenant of prosperity!

A nd God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency inall things, may abound to every good work:

2Corinthians9:8 CHAPTER FIVE

KINGDOM ADDICTION

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n these last days God has a master plan which He has shown me, and I am about to reveal it to you. This is His last move to empower the church to reach out and

dominate the world. God is raising a new gen eration of young men and women that He will empower with great wealth like the world has never seen before to bring about a revolution and cause the Gospel to spread like never before. God is raising them and he is about to entrust the wealth of this world into their hands. But how

does God intend to deliver this wealth to the hand of this new generation?

Th eComing Wealth TransferForGod givethto a man that is good in his sight wisdom, and knowledge, andjoy:buttothesinnerhegiveth travail,to gatherand to heap up, that he may giveto him that isgood beforeGod.

Ecclesiastes2:26

We see God's strategy for the coming wealth transfer in the scripture above. God has given the wicked and ungodly the work of gathering wealth. This is why you should not be surprised to see the people of this world amassing wealth every day. Many believers wonder why the unbelievers seem to prosper, sometimes more than believers. They are wicked but they seem to be growing bigger. Do not be disturbed! They are doing their God-given assignment. God has given them the travail of gathering wealth and heaping them up. So they spend all their time researching ideas, making new inventions, buying properties while forgetting God. It is all part of God's plan. His plan is that after they have gathered and heaped up, he will give it to the man that is good in his sight. But for what time is this wealth reserved?

See this in James chapter 5;

G o to now, yerich men, weep and howl foryour miseries that shallcome uponyou. Yourriches are corrupted, and your garments are motheaten. Your gold and silver is cankered; and therustof them shallbe a witnessagainst you, and shall eat your flesh asit werefire. Ye haveheapedtreasuretogether-forthelast days.

James5:1-3

Did you notice the underlined phrase? The rich who are wicked and despise God are heaping up treasure for the Last Days. In Hebrews chapter 1, the writer refers to his days as the last day;

H ath intheselast daysspoken unto usbyhisSon, whomhe hath appointed heirof all things, by whomalso he made the worlds;

Hebrews1 :2

And that was over two thousand years ago. If his days were the last days, today we are in the last of the last days. So it is clear that the wealth that the wicked has heaped up is for our day. But

> A kingdom addict cannot bear to see the kingdom of God suffer in any shape or form.

remember that God will only give it to those who are good in His sight.

God is looking for men who he will give wealth to and raise in this generation, but who are these good men to whom he would entrust the wealth of the last days? What will qualify them to inherit the coming wealth transfer?

K ingdom Addicts

This coming wealth transfer will only be for those who are kingdom addicts. These are men and women who are committed to building the Kingdom of God and guarding the integrity of

the church. They are people who fight and stand for the church with all their resources. They love the Kingdom and hence can do anything for it. They are broken when they see the church going down. It is to them God will entrust the wealth of this world. If you are not like this, you will not be enlisted by the Lord.

Like Nehemiah, they will have the spirit of reformation and they will not take no for an answer. See this in the book Nehemiah chapter 1.

At this time, a report came to Nehemiah that the walls of Jerusalem were broken down and the gates were burned with fire, but see his response below;

A ndthey said unto me, Theremnant that areleft of thecaptivity thereintheprovinceareingreat affliction andreproach: thewall of Jerusalem also isbrokendown,andthegatesthereofare burned withfire. Andit came topass,when I heard thesewords,that Isat down and wept, and mourned certaindays,and fasted, and prayed beforetheGod of heaven,

Nehemiah 1:3-4

He was broken and he fasted, wept and prayed. This is the heart of a kingdom addict. When you see the house of God or the church under persecution, are you broken or do you just pass by like a spectator or worse still join those who persecute the church? A kingdom addict cannot bear to see the kingdom of God suffer in any shape or form. Nehemiah was one and his brokenness is what led to his actions which we will consider as the characteristics of a Kingdom addict. We see these characteristics throughout the book of Nehemiah.

Characteristics of a Kingdom Addict

1. Kingdom Addicts use their influence for the Kingdom

Wher eforetheking said unto me, Why isthy countenancesad,seingthou art not sick?thisis nothing elsebut sorrow ofheart. Then I wasvery soreafraid, Andsaidunto theking,Let theking live forever: why should not my countenancebe sad, when the city, the place of my fathers' sepulchres, lieth waste, and thegatesthereof are consumed with fire? Then the king said unto me, Forwhat dost thou makerequest? SoI prayed to theGod of heaven.AndI said unto theking, If it please theking, and if thyservant havefound favourinthy sight, that thou wouldestsendme unto Judah, unto the city of my fathers' sepulchres,that I maybuild it.Andthe king said unto me, (the queenalsositting byhim,) For how long shall thyjourney be?and when wilt thou return? Soit pleased theking to sendme; and Iset him a time.

Nehemiah 2:2-6

To rebuild the gate, Nehemiah had to go back to Jerusalem and he used his influence to approach the king and his wish was granted. Like Nehemiah a Kingdom addict uses his influence and access to gain favour for the church.

Also, we see Joseph of Arimathaea in the New Testament who used his influence with Pilate to secure the body of Jesus for proper burial.

A nd after this Joseph of Arimathaea, being a disciple of Jesus, but secretly forfeurof theJews, besought Pilate that he mighttakeaway the body of Jesus: and Pilate gave him leave. He came therefore, and took thebody of Jesus.

John19:38

2. KingdomAddictsmotivate otherstо labour in the Kingdom

Th en said I unto them, Yeseethedistressthat we arein, how Jerusalem liethwaste, and thegates thereof areburned withfire: come, andlet us build up thewall ofJerusalem, that webe no morea reproach. Then I toldthem of the hand of my God which wasgoodupon me; asalso the king'swordsthat he had spoken unto me. And they said, Let us rise up and build. So they strengtheneatheirhandsforthisgood work.

Nehemiah 2:17-18

Nehemiah not only used his influence, he motivated others to join him in the rebuilding of the house. This is what Kingdom addicts do! They not only do, they motivate and inspire others to do the work of the Kingdom and thereby become channels of God's end time wealth.

3. Kingdom AddictsPrayforthe Kingdom

Bu t it came to pass, that when Sanballat heard that webuilded the wall, hewas wroth, andtook great indignation, and mocked theJews. Andhe spake before his brethren and the army of Samaria, and said, What do thesefeeble Jews? will they fortify themselves? will they sacrifice? will they makean end ina day? will they revive thestonesout of the heapsof therubbish which areburned? Now Tobiah the Ammonite was by him, and he said, Eventhat whichthey build, if a fox go up, he shall even break down theirstone wall. Hear, O ourGod; forweare despised: and turntheirreproach upon theirown head, and givethem foraprey intheland of captivity: And covernot theiriniquity, and let not theirsinbe blotted out from before thee: for they have provoked theetoangerbeforethebuilders. So built wethewall; and allthewall was joined togeth-

erunto thehalfthereof: forthepeople had a mind to work.

Nehemiah 4:1-6

When opposition arose against the building of the house of God, Nehemiah prayed and God heard it and the people became willing to work. A kingdom addict is also this way; a man that cannot spend time to pray for the Kingdom will not spend money for the kingdom if he be trusted with it.

4. KingdomAddictsdevelop strategy inbuilding the Kingdom

F orthebuilders, every one had hissword girded by hisside, and so builded.Andhe that sounded the trumpet was by me. And I said unto the nobles, and totherulers, and to therest of the people, Thework isgreat andlarge, andweare separated upon thewall, one farfrom another. Inwhat placethereforeyehearthesound of the trumpet, resort yethitherunto us: ourGod shall fight forus. Sowelabouredinthework: andhalf of them held the spearsfrom the rising of the morning till thestarsappeared. Likewiseat the same time said Iunto the people, Let every one withhisservant lodge within Jerusalem, that in thenightthey may be a guardto us, andlabour on theday.SoneitherI, normy brethren, nor my servants, northemenof theguard which followed me, none of us put off our clothes, saving that everyoneput them offforwashing.

Nehemiah 4:18-23

Nehemiah also joined to strategize for the building of the wall. He helped the church strategize against her enemies so that the building could be completed. They could only have prevailed by a

wise strategy. This is the heart and attitude of a kingdom addict.

5. KingdomAddictspursueJusticeinbuilding the Kingdom

A lso I said, Itisnot good that yedo: ought yenot to walk inthefearof ourGod becauseof the reproach of the heathen ourenemies? I likewise, and my brethren, and my servants, mightexact of them money andcorn: I prayyou,let usleave offthisusury. Restore, I prayyou, tothem,even this day, their lands, their vineyards, their oliveyards, andtheir-houses, also thehundredth part of the money,and ofthe corn, thewine, and theoil, that yeexact of them. Thensaid they,We will restorethem,and will requirenothingof them; so will we do asthou sayest. Then Icalled thepriests, andtook an oathof them, that they should doaccording tothispromise. AlsoI shook my lap, andsaid, SoGodshake out every man from his house, and from his labour, that per-formeth not thispromise, even thus behe shaken out, and emptied. And all the congregation said, Amen,andpraisedtheLORD. Andthe people didac-cording to thispromise.

Nehemiah 5:9-13

The church is more than the building, it is the people. Like Nehemiah, a kingdom addict fights for justice for the church and for its individual members. He also fights against any form of op-pression from outsiders.

6. KingdomAddictsuseleadership in building the Kingdom

M oreoverfrom thetimethat I wasappointedto be theirgovernorinthelandof Judah, from the twenti-ethyeareven unto the two and thirtieth yearof Ar-taxerxes theking, that i, twelveyears, I and my brethren havenot eaten thebread of thegovernor.

But the formergovernorsthat had been before me were chargeable unto the people, and had taken of them bread andwine, beside forty shekels of silver; yea, even their servantsbareruleoverthe people: but so did not I, because of the fear of God. Yea, also I continued in the work of this wall, neither bought weany land: and all my servantswere gathered thitheruntothework. Moreoverthere wereat mytablean hundred andfifty of the Jews andrulers, beside thosethat came unto usfrom among theheathen that areabout us. Nowthat which waspreparedforme daily was one ox and six choicesheep;alsofowlswereprepared forme, and onceinten days storeof all sortsof wine: yet forallthisrequied not Ithebread of thegovernor, becausethe bondagewasheavy upon thispeople.

Nehemiah 5:14-19

Nehemiah did not take undue advantage of the people because of his position and status. He even refused to take what was due him because of the burden on the people. This is what it means to use leadership to build the house and this is the heart of a kingdom addict. Kingdom addicts are leaders who make sacrifice for the people they lead. By this they are above reproach before God and before men. The wealth of the last days is coming to those who would have passion and compassion for God's people.

7. KingdomAddictsarefocused Kingdom Builders

N ow it came to pass, when Sanballat, and Tobiah, and Geshem theArabian, and therest of ourenemies, heard that I had builded thewall, and that there was no breach left therein; (though at that timeI hadnot set upthe doors upon the gates;)That Sanballat and Geshem sent unto me, saying, Come, let usmeet togetherin some oneof the villagesin theplainof Ono. But they thought to do me mischief. And I sent messengers unto them, saying, I am

doing a greatwork,so that I cannot come down: why should the work cease, whilst I leave it, and come downtoyou?Yet they sentunto mefour timesafterthissort; andI answered them after thesame manner.

Nehemiah 6:1-4

A kingdom addict is focused like Nehemiah. He or she is focused on building the temple and refuses any form of distraction like we see in the case of Sanballat and Tobiah. As a kingdom addict, Satan will try to distract you with so many other things but you must set your gaze and focus on building God's kingdom. It is this focus that qualifies a man to be trusted with Kingdom wealth.

8. KingdomAddictsrefuseIntimidation

A fterward I came unto thehouseof Shemaiah theson of Delaiah thesonof Mehetabeel, who was shutup;andhesaid, Let usmeet togetherin thehouseof God, withinthetemple, and let us shutthedoorsofthetemple: forthey willcome to slay thee; yea, inthe nightwillthey come to slaythee.AndI said, Should such a man asI flee? and who isthere, that, being as I am, would go into thetemple to savehislife? I will not go in. And, lo, I perceived that God had not sent him; but that he pronounced thisprophecyagainst me: for Tobiah and Sanballat had hired him. Thereforewas he hired, that I should be afraid, and do so, and sin, and that they might have matter for an evil report, that they might reproach me. My God, think thou upon Tobiah and Sanballat according to these their works, and on theprophetessNoadiah, and therest of theprophet, that would haveput meinfear.

Nehemiah 6:10-14

Nehemiah refused to be intimidated by those who sought to stop the work of the house of God. Rather he spoke against them. In the same way, a kingdom addict refuses to be intimidated by any conspiracy to stop building the kingdom of God. He is bold as a lion and is not afraid for his life.

A nd they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, andby theword oftheirtestimony; and they loved not theirlives unto the death.

Revelations12:11
Thewicked flewhen no manpursueth: butthe righteousarebold asa lion.
Proverbs28:1

A man that loves his life would most likely use God s money for himself. It is only a selfless person that can be trusted with Kingdom Wealth.

9. KingdomAddictsprioritizesthefearof God

N ow it cameto pass, when thewall was built, and Ihadsetupthedoors,and theportersand thesingersandtheLeviteswereappointed, That I gavemy brotherHanani, and Hananiah the rulerof thepalace, chargeoverJerusalem: forhe was afaithful man, and feared God abovemany.

Nehemiah 7:1-2

A kingdom addict knows the importance of spiritual qualification of the fear of God in building the house of God. So many in the world today are too used to secular pattern of doing things. This is why we have built God a house that He cannot accept. If you are passionate for God's house, you must surround yourself with people who fear Him and have the spirit of faithfulness. This is what will make God trust you with His secrets, and the secrets of God are the highways to wealth.

Thesecret oftheLORD iswiththemthat fear him; and he will shew them hiscovenant. Psalm25:14

10. Kingdom Addicts Tax themselves for the building of the Kingdom

A lso we made ordinances for us, to charge ourselvesyearlywiththethird part of a shekel fortheserviceof thehouseofourGod; Forthe shewbread, andforthe continual meat offering, and for the continual burnt offering, of the sabbaths, of thenew moons, fortheset feasts, and fortheholy things, and forthesinofferings to make an atonement forIsrael, and forall the work of thehouseof our God.

Nehemiah 10:32-33

While others are complaining of too much giving activities, a Kingdom Addict keeps finding ways to give more because he knows the more he can make available, the more the Kingdom can advance. Why will God not trust such a man with wealth?

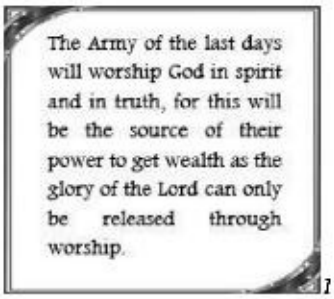
11. Kingdom Addictsprotect the Priesthood

A ndI perceived thattheportionsof theLevites had not been given them: fortheLevites and the singers, that didthe work, werefled every one to hisfield. Then contended Iwiththe rulers, and said, Why isthehouseof God forsaken? And I gathered them together, and setthem intheir place. Then brought all Judah thetithe of the corn and the new wine and the oil unto the treasuries.

Nehemiah 13:10-12

There are many today who are advocating for all ministers to go and get a job, not understanding the role of full time consecration. Of course, not everyone would be on full time, but if the Kingdom of God must be strong, we must have people in the forefront who are focused

on leading God's house. Can you run a business as the president of a country, or can you get a job alongside being the president of a nation? If a nation requires a full time president, what do you think about the church? This is what Nehemiah fought for, and this is one battle Kingdom Addicts must fight. Like Nehemiah, they must bring back tithing no matter who is speaking against it, and ensure that such provision is made so that the leadership of the House of God may be focused to build the house.



12. Kingdom Addict-sPrioritizethedaysof worship

Th en I testified against them, and said unto them, Why lodge yeaboutthewall?ifyedo so again, I will lay handsonyou. From that time forthcame they no moreon the sabbath. AndI commanded the Levites that they should cleansethemselves, andthat they should come and keep thegates, to sanctify thesabbath day. Rememberme, O my God, concerning thisalso, and spareme according tothegreatnessof thy mercy.

Nehemiah 13:21-22

When God blesses many of His children, they cannot even go to church anymore. This is wrong. The Sabbath day was supposed to be a day of worship but the people turned it into a day of business, but Nehemiah a kingdom addict restored the day of worship. A kingdom addict pri-

oritizes and insists on the days that have been set aside by the church for events of worship. The Army of the last days will worship God in spirit and in truth, for this will be the source of their power to get wealth as the glory of the Lord can only be released through worship.

13. Kingdom Addictsprioritize Purity

A ndI contended withthem, and cursed them, and smote certain of them, andplucked offtheir hair, and made them swearby God, saying, Ye shall not giveyourdaughtersunto theirsons, nortaketheirdaughtersunto yoursons, orfor yourselves. Did not Solomon kingofIsraelsinby thesethings? yetamong many nationswasthere no king like him, who wasbeloved of hisGod, and God made him king over all Israel: nevertheless even him did outlandish women causeto sin.

Nehemiah 13:25-26

God can forsake his house if it is polluted with sin. The temple of Solomon despite its beauty was destroyed because of Sin. This is why the kingdom addict contends for purity in the house of God. It was not possible for Balaam to curse Israel until he got them to sin. Satan's power against the church is in perpetrating sinful lifestyles within the church. This is why kingdom addicts are people who contend for the purity of God's people and of his house.

This passion for the Kingdom manifesting in these several forms is the principal character of the Kingdom Addict. This is what makes a man qualify to receive the wealth of the last days. It is therefore important for you to prepare your heart because the spirit of Kingdom addiction is going to rest on you now. Do you want it? Then receive it in the Name of Jesus.

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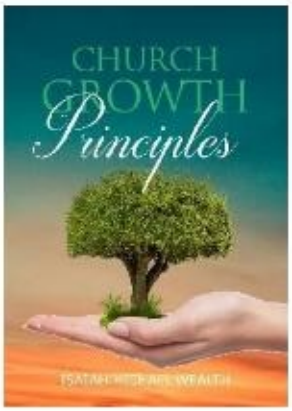
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