

**Prosperity God's Way**

**Developing Right Attitudes Toward Money – Part I**

*Lesson 3*

**I. Hindrances and Right Attitudes**

- A. III John 2 - There are several \_\_\_\_\_ that need to be removed and right attitudes that need to be developed in order to walk in the fullness of Biblical Prosperity:

**Hindrances**

**Right Attitudes**

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| A. _____         | The Father's care for us |
| B. Fear          | _____                    |
| C. _____         | Contentment              |
| D. Impulsiveness | _____                    |
| E. _____         | Generosity               |

- F. Laziness \_\_\_\_\_
- G. \_\_\_\_\_ Stewardship
- H. The love of money \_\_\_\_\_

**II. The First Hindrance to Prosperity is \_\_\_\_\_ or Limited Vision**

- A. Failure to see who God is and what kind of Father we have
- B. This is usually a result of family or life experiences:
  - 1. You may have been raised in a very \_\_\_\_\_ driven or works-oriented environment where you grew to believe you could never do enough to earn your father's favor.
  - 2. Or you may have been brought up on "barely get by street" right next to "hand me down avenue" – a place of poverty or lack.
  - 3. Or you may have experienced some financial \_\_\_\_\_ you allowed to

become greater in your mind than God's promise of provision and blessing to you.

- C. Too many of us have allowed our \_\_\_\_\_ to shape our view of God and His willingness to shower us with favor and blessing.

### **III. The First Right Attitude Toward Money We Need to Develop Is A Personal Revelation of The Father's \_\_\_\_\_ For Us**

- A. Psalms 35:27 – "...let them say continually, let the Lord be magnified, who has \_\_\_\_\_ in the prosperity of His servant."
1. If His servant, how much more His sons and daughters?
  2. The word prosperity here in Hebrew is "shalom."
  3. It means well, happy, friendly, healthy, favored, at peace.
  4. If our own children's welfare, success, favor, and peace give us pleasure, how much more God with His children \_\_\_\_\_?

- B. One of the Lord's names is "El Shaddai."
1. It means more than \_\_\_\_\_ supply  
– the many breasted One!
  2. He never runs out of \_\_\_\_\_ for His children.
  3. Jesus saw His Father in this light and it gave Him faith to:
    - a. Turn water into wine at a wedding where they ran out of wine.
    - b. Feed the 5,000 plus women and children with five loaves and two fish (supply that was grossly inadequate).
    - c. Heal the lepers, the lame, the paralytics – those beyond medical help.
  4. If you know your Father loves you and His resources are \_\_\_\_\_, your days of lack are over.
  5. You must get a \_\_\_\_\_ inside you of being favored, blessed, and adequately

provided for because of your \_\_\_\_\_,  
not your job or your bank statement.

- C. I Timothy 5:8 – God is not an infidel. He provides well for His own.
- D. Galatians 5:6 – Faith works best when you understand you are \_\_\_\_\_.
- E. Matthew 6:26 – Look at the birds: they have no jobs or savings accounts, yet \_\_\_\_\_  
Father provides abundantly for them.
  - 1. His love and care for \_\_\_\_\_ is infinitely greater!
  - 2. Meditating on His great care for you will increase your faith for abundant provision – Galatians 5:6

## **IV. Another Major Hindrance to Experiencing Prosperity is \_\_\_\_\_**

- A. II Timothy 1:7 – “For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.”

1. The greatest fear related to money is the fear of not having \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. The spirit of \_\_\_\_\_ both fuels and feeds off of this fear.
  3. This fear has no respect of persons; it affects the rich and poor, the educated and uneducated, ten-talent people and one-talent people alike.
  4. Our understanding of our Father's love and care for us will help us to overcome this deceiving and devouring enemy.
  5. I John 4:18 – "There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear..."
- B. Genesis 15:1 – "After \_\_\_\_\_ things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision, saying, 'Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your exceedingly great reward.'"
1. What were these things that Abram was tempted to get into fear over?

2. Abram had just \_\_\_\_\_ (Genesis 14:20) and had just left money or reward on the table that could have been construed as trusting in men instead of God for his provision.
3. God was saying, "Don't fear loss or lack when you obey Me with your finances, Abram."
4. It is not what you \_\_\_\_\_ that protects you from lack, but what you \_\_\_\_\_ in obedience: your tithe, your offerings, your trust in Me.
5. I Am your Shield from poverty and lack and I Am your Reward; I will reward you exceedingly whenever you trust Me and follow Me as you have with your money and possessions.

## **V. The Attitude to Develop Toward Money That Will Counteract Fear is \_\_\_\_\_**

- A. The real issue with our tithing and giving is not our money, but our trust.

1. If you are still looking at your tithing and your giving as a \_\_\_\_\_ (waving good-bye to it like you'll never see it again), you are not yet trusting.
  2. It is possible to tithe and give consistently and still not trust.
  3. If you are giving out of obligation or out of fear (that if you don't give your finances will be cursed), you are not trusting.
  4. God wants our \_\_\_\_\_, not just our money.
  5. Our attitude toward money reveals our hearts and who or what we are trusting.
- B. Matthew 6:21 – "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."
1. God knows that He only has your heart when \_\_\_\_\_ becomes your \_\_\_\_\_ instead of your money, bank account, or possessions.



2. Your treasure is what you trust – what you \_\_\_\_\_ to get you by – people, money, education, talent, manipulation, or God.
3. If your heart is tied to something else or someone else that you are depending on more than God, you'll find that He will require that of you.
  - a. Example: Rich young ruler – Mark 10:21-22
4. Psalms 62:10 – “Do not trust in oppression, nor vainly hope in robbery; if riches increase, do not set your \_\_\_\_\_ on them.”
5. Proverbs 11:28 – “He who trusts in his riches will fall, but the righteous will flourish like foliage.”
6. I Timothy 6:17 – “Command those who are rich in this present age not to be haughty, not to trust in uncertain \_\_\_\_\_ but