

Supernatural Provision in Finances (2 Cor. 9:10-11)

I. THE GREAT CONFLICT AT THE END-OF-THE-AGE

- A. The conflict at the end-of-the-age will be between two Houses of Prayer (two global worship movements). The Holy Spirit is raising up the most powerful worship movement in history (Rev. 22:17; 5:8; 8:4; Lk. 18:7-8; Mt. 25:1-13; Isa. 62:6-7; 24:14-16; 25:9; 26:8-9; 27:2-5, 13; 30:18-19; 42:10-13; Jer. 31:7; etc.). The Lord will supernaturally finance this worship movement. The Antichrist will raise up a worldwide state-financed false worship movement (Rev. 13:4, 8-15).
- B. The Lord will shake all things as He releases finances for the harvest and worship movement.
⁶ “Once more...I will shake heaven and earth, the sea and dry land; 7 and I will shake all nations, and they shall come to the Desire of All Nations, and I will fill this temple with glory... 8 The silver is Mine, and the gold is Mine,” says the LORD of hosts. (Hag. 2:6-8)
- C. God promises to open the financial windows of heaven (supernatural) and to rebuke the devourer if God’s people will corporately and consistently be faithful to obey Him with our money.
¹⁰ Bring all the tithes into the storehouse...and try Me now in this” says the LORD, “If I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you such blessing that there will not be room enough to receive it. ¹¹ I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes...” (Mal. 3:10-11)
- D. Tithing is the beginning not the ceiling in our giving and connecting with God in our money. The government of our nation requires all children to go to elementary school so also God requires all His children to obey Him in finances in an elementary way beginning with 10% of our money.
- E. The release of finances brings blessing with added pressures (emotionally, socially, spiritually).
1. Emotionally, we have unperceived covetousness and fear related to finances. Receiving more money brings heart issues to the surface. Fear is powerful and irrational because it is a spirit. “Desiring” more money intensifies temptation and fear that are not removed by having more money but by operating in the opposite spirit of faith and obedience to God.
⁷ God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power.... (2 Tim. 1:7)
⁹ The heart is deceitful...and desperately wicked; Who can know it? (Jer. 17:9)
⁹ Those who desire to be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and harmful lusts which drown men in destruction and perdition. ¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil...for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows. (1 Tim. 6:9-10)
 2. Socially, increased money brings increased conflicts in our relationships.
 3. Spiritually, new levels of blessing bring new levels of demonic attack.

- F. Giving money requires emotional dynamics that force us to wrestle with covetousness and the spirit of fear (that is irrational). Therefore, increased finances give us insight into our sinfulness.
- G. Increased temptations of fear and covetousness that comes with increased money can be overcome by operating in the opposite spirit of faith and obedience in giving our money. Fear is powerful and irrational. For example, a man will gladly tithe on \$1,000 but then struggles to tithe on \$1 million and usually finds it impossible to tithe on 1 billion dollars. However, the person with the spirit of revelation would gladly tithe on \$1,000 and then with equal gladness give a triple tithe on \$1 million and then give 90% of 1 billion dollars.
- H. History proves that the majority who prosper by God's hand fall to the temptations (emotionally, socially, spiritually) that come from increased wealth. They lose their former spirit of obedience. Increased finances require an equal increase of spiritual depth and honesty of heart with our sin.
² *I pray that you prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers. (3 Jn. 2)*
- I. We are entering a unique time in which finances will be released in an unprecedented way in the nations. With it the fear of loss will assault those who prosper unless they are protected by grace.
²⁵ *There will be...on the earth distress of nations, with perplexity...26 men's hearts failing them from fear and the expectation of things which are coming on the earth... (Lk. 21:25-26)*
- J. God gives us economic prosperity so that we may have an increased ability to help people, increase in our personal growth in righteousness (by confronting fear and covetousness by giving) and improve our position in the Millennial Kingdom. Many assume that God gives them more money so they can get a bigger house, better cars and have more comfort and time to play.
- K. Receiving more money intensifies emotional struggles, demonic attacks and social pressures. God prospers people so they can grow spiritually as they see areas of darkness in their heart that are best exposed in context to how they handle money. Prosperity is meant to reveal fear and selfishness in our character that surfaces in other areas (speech, relationships, time, sexuality, etc.) so as to prepare us for the Judgment Seat of Christ and our place in the Millennial Kingdom.

II. GOD RETURNS TO US IN DIRECT PROPORTION TO OUR GIVING (TIME, MONEY, ETC.)

- A. Jesus taught that God returns in proportion to the measure of our giving. Why? The measure in which we act against fear and covetousness by operating in the opposite spirit (giving in faith), is the measure in which we have protection by our connection to the Spirit in our great prosperity. Jesus wants us to give more to protect when we receive more not because He needs our money.
³⁸ *Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you. (Lk. 6:38)*
- ⁵ *Prepare your generous gift...that it may be ready...6 But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. (2 Cor. 9:5-6)*

- B. Love is not minimized because we believe that God promises to give us more money. We are called to believe that He will provide us with a greater ability to give and thus, love others more. We are to know the God ordained consequences of our actions that motivate more love.
- C. We must understand the difference between the money that God gives us for seed and for bread. God provides each of us with finances for two distinct purposes: to provide us with *seed to sow* and with *bread to eat*. We ask, “Which part of our money is seed and which part is bread?”
- ¹⁰ May He who supplies seed to the sower, and bread for food, supply and multiply the seed you have sown and increase the fruits of your righteousness 11...which causes thanksgiving through us to God. (2 Cor. 9:10-11)*
1. God gives us “*bread money*” for personal use (food, house, bills, recreation, etc.). He gives us daily bread as money to supply for our family needs and wants.
 2. God gives us “*seed money*” to sow that it may be supernaturally multiplied.
- D. We must not eat our seed money because seed only multiplies if we sow it.
- E. Giving releases God’s dynamic activity in our lives (spiritually, relationally, financially, etc.), therefore, the Lord requires that we see at least 10% of our finances as seed to sow. God requires tithing because people “default to fear” which shuts down the process of supernatural multiplication.
- F. God promises us a threefold blessing for faithfully sowing financial seed.
1. First, He will multiply our financial seed.
 2. Second, He will increase the fruits of our righteousness. This affects our heart and the hearts of others (now and in the age-to-come) and includes receiving more revelation, grace in relationships, growth in love, etc.
 3. Third, He will cause others to thank Him. God is never more glorified than when His people live with thankfulness. This is what He wants most.
- ⁹ I say to you, make friends for yourselves by unrighteous mammon, that when you fail, they may receive you into an everlasting home. (Lk. 16:9)*
- G. We must refuse the spirit of poverty and the mentality of lack. The Father is looking for partners to be a “source of supply” for the prayer movement. This requires a paradigm shift in finances.
- H. Our only limitation is God’s will (not our ability to make money). We commit to this then walk it out in small numbers.