

### **Confession of a Prosperous Life**

*Father, in the name of Jesus Christ, I confess that Your Word reigns over every area of my life. Because of that, I live a prosperous life. I thank You that You abundantly supply and fill to the fullest measure every need according to Your riches in glory by Christ Jesus. According to Deuteronomy 8:18, You give the power to get wealth in order to establish Your covenant. So as an act of my faith, I receive that power to work in my life.*

*I confess before You that I am a giver. As I give abundantly of my increase, I know that You will make all grace, every favor and earthly blessing, come to me in abundance so that I am always, under all circumstances and whatever the need, totally self-sufficient, possessing enough to require no aid or support, and furnish in abundance for every good work and charitable donation.*

*Father, I thank You that Your angels are free to minister for me and bring in the necessary finances so that I can continue to be generous to Your work. It is written that Your angels have been sent to minister for the heirs of salvation, so I loose them now to work on my behalf.*

*I confess today that I am redeemed from the curse of poverty. I resist lack and say that it has no place in me: The Lord is my Shepherd and I shall not want, lack or have need of anything. Abundance is mine. Success is mine. The blessings of the Lord are mine. I confess it and thank You for it, in Jesus' Name.*

*Amen.*

### **References for this confession:**

Philippians 4:18-19; 2 Corinthians 9:8;  
Hebrews 1:14; Psalm 23:1  
Proverbs 8:18-21; Proverbs 10:3,4,6,22

Prosperity is not just about finances. Biblical prosperity includes all areas of your life: spirit, soul and body. Living daily in victory. Do not allow the devil to steal your blessings from you.



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# **Biblical Perspective on Biblical Prosperity**



## **Giving! The key to Biblical prosperity**

Many people think that after they've "paid" their tithes God is obligated to help them, within a couple of weeks, to come out of debt. When that doesn't happen they blame God and say that this "paying your tithes stuff doesn't work."

One thing we need to understand is that you do not **pay** your tithes. You **give** a tithe unto the Lord. The giving of tithes **and** offerings is not a "get out of debt quick" scheme and is not just an Old Testament "thing".

### **Obedience to God's Word**

When we teach people concerning giving tithes and offerings, we teach them to be obedient to God's Word. Not only obedience in giving money but obedience to all aspects of God's Word – including the giving of tithes and offerings.

1 Samuel 15:22b says, "Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed than the fat of rams." When we become obedient to God's Word, God can begin to bless us because He rewards those who diligently seek Him and diligently obeys His Word.

### **The Old, a shadow of the New**

The Old Testament is a shadow of the New Testament. Some would say that tithing was an Old Testament principle and was done under the Law or that we do not have to tithe under the New Testament anymore. This is not so. Tithing is just as New Testament and for today. Let us look at this principle quickly.

Abraham started giving tithes to Melchizedek the king and priest of **Salem**. No one has ever taught Abraham this principle. He did this long before the Law ever existed [Gen. 14:18-20; Heb. 7:2,4]. This was something that God has placed in his spirit to do. Because of this God saw Abraham as a righteous man and blessed him because of it. Isaac learned this principle of tithing from his father and Jacob from Isaac, etc. [Gen. 28:20-22; 30:11]. Because Abraham gave tithes to Melchizedek his descendants were prosperous and blessed.

Galatians 3:14 say that the blessings of Abraham will come upon the Gentiles (that is us) because of Jesus Christ. Jesus has now become our King and Priest to the order of Melchizedek [Heb. 7:17].

Therefore, we, who are the seed of Abraham, give our tithes to our King and High Priest, Jesus Christ, from **Jerusalem**. This will also prosper us as we stand in a better covenant.

### **Seed Time and Harvest Time**

Galatians 6:7+9 says, "Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap ... And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart."

Whatever one sows that he will reap. If you therefore sow finances, then according to God's Word you have to reap finances because that is the "whatever" that you have sown. But seed takes time to come up. You do not sow today and reap tomorrow. There is a period of time when the sower has to wait patiently before his seed can produce a harvest.

For one to get a harvest one has to sow first. What comes up first is not the complete harvest but a small blade with maybe one or two leaves on it. Now it first has to grow and go through a process before it changes into a harvest.

The key here is not to grow weary – become tired. The problem doesn't lie with God, or with the seed or the harvest. Many times we are the problem because we are looking for a "get it quick" plan or we even keep our seed back.

### **Our Motivation**

Our Motivation for giving "as unto the Lord" is not, and must not be, to become rich or to be out of debt by tomorrow. The result and benefits of obedience to God's Word in our giving, is prosperity but that alone should not be our motivation.

We give because of our love for Jesus, His Word and His work. He says, "If you love Me, keep (obey) My commandments". We give because we love and want to obey the One whom we love. The result of this is that He will bless us and take care of us because He is our King and High Priest and He will keep His side of the covenant.

### **Change Your Heart and Thinking**

We need to change our hearts, our thinking and our attitude towards giving and rather become obedient to God's Word. This is our first priority. Stop putting your faith and trust in your money to bail you out. Put your

faith and trust in God who will never disappoint you but would rather bless you because you give for His work.

Decide now to become a giver and to give. Give yourself out of debt [1 Cor. 9:6-10]. People say, "You cannot give because you have debt and cannot afford to give." That is the flesh talking. The Word teaches us to give in spite of our shortage or our lack. They say, "First come out of debt and then give". The Word teaches we ought to give first and then a good measure shall be given back unto us, pressed down shaken together and running over [Luke 3:38]. First give and then wait for your harvest.

### **Sow Into Fertile Ground**

The importance of sowing and reaping is not just to throw your seed but to look for good and fertile ground. Ground where the Word of God is preached without compromise; where people are challenged to change their lifestyle and to come to spiritual maturity in Christ. Good ground is a place that believes in, and ministers under the anointing of Jesus Christ (Christ – the Anointed One and His anointing) and the Holy Spirit and believes in the same principles of sowing and reaping.

By keeping back your tithes and offerings you rob God not of wealth or riches [Mal. 3:8] but you "rob" God of an opportunity to give back to you thirty-, sixty-, or a hundred-fold. We rob ourselves of breakthroughs and seeing our every need met. Trust God and be obedient to His Word. He will keep to His side of the Word for "God is not a man that He should lie".

As you study God's Word you will see that it is God's will for His people to prosper [Ps. 35:27] and to have a good life while they serve Him. The key to true prosperity is to obey God's Word, do it, act on it, and believe it. A lot more can be said about this matter but I hope that this simple, short teaching got your attention. May you begin to experience your breakthroughs as you choose to obey His Word and not man's opinions.

**Prosperity is not a money message – but an obedience message**