## POWER TO GET WEALTH

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At the beginning of this year 2006, while seeking the Lord for direction for the year, the Lord spoke to me that He was bringing many of His chosen servants into a season of great prosperity. These chosen ones have gone through a season of great testing preparing their character, so that they will be qualified to manage Kingdom finances. In God's economy, prosperity only comes with a purpose.

"But thou shalt remember the LORD thy God: for it is He that giveth thee power to get wealth, that He may establish His covenant which He sware unto thy fathers, as it is this day."

Deuteronomy 8:18

We must keep in mind "it is He" that giveth power. If our focus is any other thing outside of the Lord, we will miss Him and this season of wealth. The word "that" is a word of purpose, "that he may establish his covenant". Once again, it is always prosperity with purpose. We see the early church laid their possessions at the apostle's feet and they distributed it among the widows and the poor. Prosperity with purpose.

To who receives much wealth, comes great responsibility. "To whom much is given, much is required." (Luke 12:48) Great responsibility and accountability is required for those who will receive this power to get wealth.

God does not promise in this passage wealth, but power to get wealth. If we receive only wealth, we will be limited by the amount of wealth we receive. But if we receive power to get wealth, then wealth will come to us in unlimited fashion.

One of the great pitfalls to this season of prosperity is giving out of our compassion, and not from hearing the voice of God where, when and to whom we are to sow these Kingdom finances. If we give out of our compassion we will be giving out of our emotions and not our obedience to the Lord's voice. We must give only out of obedience.

Much like Joseph, who was a steward of Pharaoh's wealth, so likewise God is raising up a Joseph company called to finance the future harvest of souls that is coming to the church.

"Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is risen upon thee." Isaiah 60:1

We are moving in a season of great favor as God's chosen people. The word "arise" in the Hebrew means "stand up, stir up, lift up". The Day Star, Jesus Christ, has arisen in the hearts of many of His saints in this hour.

"For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and his glory shall be seen upon thee."

Isaiah 60:2

The environment is right and ripe for a harvest of souls. This present darkness that fills our earth and the minds of humanity has become a platform for the Lord to manifest His glory through His church.

"And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising." Isaiah 60:3

Here we see the nations will be gathered into the Kingdom at the rising of the Lord in His people.

"Lift up thine eyes round about, and see: all they gather themselves together, they come to thee: thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nursed at thy side." Isaiah 60:4

The sons, daughters and prodigals will be drawn back to the Lord and His church where we will feed them God's Word and equip them for their destiny.

"Then thou shalt see, and flow together, and thine heart shall fear, and be enlarged; because the abundance of the sea shall be converted unto thee, the forces of the Gentiles shall come unto thee." Isaiah 60:5

"Forces" is also the same word for "wealth" in verse 9. They will bring their silver and their gold. (Notice, the glory comes before the gold. His presence in our life precedes the wealth that is coming.)

"A good man leaveth an inheritance to his children's children: and the wealth of the sinner is laid up for the just." Proverbs 13:22

The Message Bible says, "...ill-gotten wealth ends up with good people."

The sinner is making money for the Kingdom and the time of transferal is at hand. The wealth of the sinner is laid up for the righteous. Another way to say it is, wealth of the sinner is given to those who do it right.

The Amplified Bible says that it is laid up for the righteous and eventually finds its way into your hands. Eventually wealth will find its way into the Kingdom. Like the Queen of Sheba who brought her wealth to King Solomon, so the world will bring their wealth to the Kingdom of God.



"And I will give thee the treasures of darkness, and hidden riches of secret places, that

thou mayest know that I, the LORD, which call thee by thy name, am the God of Israel." Isaiah 45:3

I will give thee treasures in darkness. Money that is in dark places used for drugs, pornography, illegal crime, prostitution, etc., God promises He will give these treasures or wealth to the righteous. Billions of dollars is exchanged every year in the realm of darkness. But now it's about to be transferred into God's Kingdom.

Every vision that the Lord gives His church requires provision. Therefore, to advance the Kingdom and establish His purposes in the earth, God will cause men to give to the church pressed down, shaken together and running over.

God will release unprecedented wealth to those who will be willing and obedient in this Day of His power. We see this in the book of Exodus when the children of Israel were getting ready to leave Egypt. God gave them favor in the site of the Egyptians and gave the Israelites jewels of silver and jewels of gold.

"Speak now in the ears of the people, and let every man borrow of his neighbour, and every woman of her neighbour, jewels of silver and jewels of gold. And the LORD gave the people favour in the sight of the Egyptians. Moreover the man Moses was very great in the land of Egypt, in the sight of Pharaoh's servants, and in the sight of the people." Exodus 11:2-3

What will cause men to bring their wealth to us? The presence of God arising in His church.

"Surely the isles shall wait for me, and the ships of Tarshish first, to bring thy sons from far, their silver and their gold with them, unto the name of the LORD thy God, and to the Holy One of Israel, because he hath glorified thee." Isaiah 60:9

"I love them that love me; and those that seek me early shall find me. Riches and honour are with me; yea, durable riches and righteousness. That I may cause those that love me to inherit substance; and I will fill their treasures." Proverbs 8:17,

18, 21



Coming into intimacy with the Lord is a pre-requisite for riches and honor to come to us. Out of our intimate relationship with Him, He will cause us to inherit substance and will fill our treasures.

"Wealth and Glory accompany me— also substantial Honor and

a Good Name." Proverbs 8:18 (The Message Bible)

"Unending riches, honor, wealth, and justice are mine to distribute." Proverbs 8:18 (New Living Translation)

"That I may cause those who love me to inherit wealth, That I may fill their treasuries." Proverbs 8:21 (NKJV)

How incredible, that the Lord would cause those who love Him and spend time in His presence to inherit wealth.

The Lord will put us through a season of severe testings before He releases wealth.

How you handle money determines how God handles you. Remember Gehazi, the servant of the Prophet Elisha, determined the next move of God in his life by the way he handled finances. Gehazi was in line for a double portion anointing from the prophet but because of his love for money, the root of all evil, he forfeited the next move of God in his life.

Achan stole the gold and silver at Jericho, which was to be the first-fruit offering to God. The Lord told Israel He wanted Jericho and they could have the rest of Canaan. This is a picture of the tithe, which is the Lord's, the tenth, the cream of the crop, is to be given to the Lord. Because of his disobedience he aborted the purposes of God.

Saul withheld what was the Lord's after Israel defeated the Amalekites. Because of his rebellion he surrendered his position as king to the shepherd boy, David.

Judas, the Lord's treasurer for three and a half years, mishandled the Lord's money

and never saw the birthing of the next move of God in his life.

Ananias and Sapphira did not transition into the apostolic movement because they lied to the Holy Ghost about their finances. Therefore, they never entered into their divine destiny.

We are measured by our money! Remember this principal, how you handle money determines how God handles you.

"For thus saith the LORD of hosts; Yet once, it is a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry land; And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the LORD of hosts. The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the LORD of

hosts." Haggai 2:6-8

There has been a shift in the heavens. For a season God has shaken our heavens in the area of finances. But the season has changed and God will now shake the earth and loose the silver and gold from the wicked and give it to the righteous.

## In summary

- 1) All prosperity must have a purpose.
- 2) Great responsibility comes with great wealth.
- 3) We must never be moved by emotions, but by our Heavenly Father's voice.
- 4) Wealth is given to those who do it right.
- 5) Intimacy with the Lord is a prerequisite to releasing wealth.
- 6) How you handle money is how God handles you.



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