

THE PURPOSE OF PROSPERITY (Part 2)

God Delights in Prospering You When You Delight in Obeying Him

In this lesson you will learn about whole person prosperity. You will learn what the conditions are for you to enjoy the blessings of God in your life.

- I. Whole person prosperity - Psalm 112:1-10.
 - A. The condition for whole person prosperity is the fear of the Lord (which is to hate evil) and delight to do His commandments (obey His commandments) - v. 1.
 - B. The results of having the fear of the Lord:
 1. Your children and future generations will be mighty on the earth - v. 2.
 2. Wealth and riches will be in your house - v. 3.
 3. You will not have depression of any kind - v. 4.
 4. You will lend to others - v. 5.
 5. You will have discretion - v. 5. The decisions you make will keep you out of trouble.
 6. You will not be afraid of evil tidings - v. 6-7.
 7. Your heart will be established - v. 8.
 8. You will give to the poor and you will have honor (you will be exalted) - v. 9.
 9. Nothing the wicked do will harm you - v. 10.

- II. Prosperity promises:
 - A. God blessed Abraham in all things - Genesis 24:1.
 - B. The person who delights in the law of the Lord will prosper in whatever he does - Psalm 1:1-3.
 - C. You shall not want if God is your shepherd - Psalm 23.
 1. If God is your shepherd He is in charge.
 2. Your cup will overflow.
 - D. God has pleasure in the prosperity of His servants - Psalm 35:27.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- When did you begin to have the fear of the Lord in your life?
- How are you walking in "whole person prosperity"?
- Would you like prayer to receive the promises of Psalm 112?

BE A DOER OF THE WORD

This week make a checklist of the nine areas of blessing in Psalm 112:2-10 and on a scale of 1-10 evaluate to what extent you are walking in these promises. To the degree of your surrender to the Lord is the degree you will not want.

SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSE

Psalm 112:1 - "Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who delights greatly in His commandments."