

Church Announcements and Events:

Calendar of Events for the Month of September 2018:

- ⇒ **Wednesdays:** "The Book of Philippians" - Discovering God in the Midst of Life.
- ⇒ Stay tuned for the launch of our NEW TWCC Mercy Ministry in September 2018:
- ⇒ Corporate Prayer will re-launch this Month (September). Look for the days, times, and days on CCB.



MERCY MINISTRY

An outreach of Triumphant Word Christian Center to reach the least in our community - one family at a time - to provide compassion and care to their natural needs, and to proclaim Christ for their spiritual needs.

Starting September 2018...



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Finding Your God-Given Purpose
EPHESIANS 1:18

Sunday, September 23rd, 2018

"Welcome To Your Church!"

SERMON NOTES FOR SUNDAY, September 23rd, 2018

SERMON SERIES: "It's Harvest Time!"

SERMON TITLE: "Our Call to Wise and Faithful Financial Stewardship - Part 2"

3 John 2 (NKJV) - "Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers."

Psalms 35:27 (NKJV) - "Let them shout for joy and be glad, who favor my righteous cause; and let them say continually, 'Let the LORD be magnified, Who has pleasure in the prosperity of His servant.'"

John 10:10 (NLT) - "The thief's purpose is to steal and kill and destroy. My purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life."

- Friends, you may or may not have heard it before, but GOD'S WILL FOR YOURS AND MY LIFE IS NOT POVERTY!
We see God's Will identified in these three verses. He, through John, is that we PROSPER in all things; and through the Psalmist, that He takes in our PROSPERING; and through the lips of our Lord Jesus He conveys to us His and intention in coming to earth to PROSPER us - the fact that He was sent to BLESS us. (Acts 3:26)
Our Father God wills for each of us as His children to prosper in all things - spiritually, mentally, physically, relationally and financially. In this Series, we want to emphasize the financial side of and . Our collective Church ministry, mission and mandate is to: GO, GROW and

GOD'S WILL FOR OUR FINANCES: 3 John 2 (NKJV) - "Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers."

- What is God's will concerning the finances of His people? Psalms 35:27 makes a good summary of this: Psalms 35:27 (NKJV) - "Let them shout for joy and be glad, who favor my righteous cause; and let them say continually, 'Let the LORD be magnified, Who has pleasure in the prosperity of His servant.'"
The Moffat's translation says that God "... loves to see His servant prospering."
HEAVEN'S CLOTHING IS NEVER WOVEN WITH THE CURSED PATCHES OF POVERTY!
A LESSON OF STEWARDSHIP: (THE PARABLE OF THE TALENTS) Read Matthew 25:14-29
GOD'S PLAN IS TO BRING MULTIPLICATION AND INCREASE INTO YOUR LIFE! (Psalms 115:15)
But this begs the question. WHY? Why does God want to give me an increase? Why does God care if I do important work and have an impact? Why does He want to bless me? The answer is simple and twofold: 1st - He love us. 2nd - God wants to increase us and our children and He want to bless us so that we can look at life in the dimensions He wants to see. He wants us to see the greatness and goodness of God.

- Increase Principle's To Understand:
PRINCIPLE #1: God gives you increase so that you can have an .
PRINCIPLE #2: God gives you more so you can do .
PRINCIPLE #3: God gives you more so you can do more, not just so you can have .
Let's get even more specific. If your giving isn't trending up, then your isn't plateaued, flat lining, or just staying the same; it is trending down.
When God gives you more resources and finances, it's not so that you can give the same as always and keep the increase for yourself.
HE GIVES YOU INCREASE SO THAT YOU WILL HAVE EVEN MORE TO GIVE.
He gives you increase so that you can do something more for God.
PRINCIPLE #4: God will do what you can't, but He won't do what you .
it is so easy and tempting to skip over this principle, but we simply cannot ignore it. We each have a part to play! 1 Corinthians 3:6 (NKJV) - "I planted, Apolos watered, but God gave the increase."
One person planted a seed and did their part. Another person did their part and watered the seed. That's when God came in to give the .
God has given us a part to play in His Kingdom.

- UNPACKING THE LESSONS FROM THE PARABLE OF THE TALENTS:
1st - We see the 5 talent and 2 talent servants both generated and INCREASE.
2nd - We see the 1 talent servant did not generate any MULTIPLICATION nor any .
TALENT = Literally \$1.2MM (average annual wage of \$50K for 24 years).
3rd - The 1 Talent Servant was told something different than the other two: He was called WICKED, LAZY and . Wickedness is the result of . EVIL IS ANYTHING THAT TAKES YOU AWAY FROM YOUR GOD-INTENDED PURPOSE. If it is a to you then it is EVIL to you.
4th - To generate MULTIPLICATION and INCREASE we need to be STEWARDS of the MONEY and RESOURCES our Lord Jesus entrusts into our lives.

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SERMON NOTES (CONTINUED...)

SERMON TITLE: "Our Call to Wise and Faithful Financial Stewardship—Part 2"

5 Elements of Stewardship: (The JOB, the TITHE, the BUDGET, the SEED, the VISION)

- The JOB - The purpose of your JOB is to generate increase and/or income. Ephesians 4:28 - "Let him who stole steal no longer, but rather let him labor, working with his hands which is good, that he may have something to give him who has need." (NLT) - "If you are a thief, quit stealing. Instead, use your hands for good hard work, and then give generously to others in need." Genesis 2:15 (NLT) - "The LORD God placed the man in the Garden of Eden to tend and watch over it."
We see God's special assignment to man (Adam) after He created him and placed him in the garden was a (a work assignment). The word "tend" here literally means to work. It would seem that is just one of the many ways that we are designed to fulfill God's plan for our lives, and by which we are to glorify Him on the earth. Adam had a definitive description, and everything he was assigned to do was based on God's instructions. In other words, his work was to be done as unto the Lord. The Bible Knowledge Commentary points out that God placed Adam in the garden, "to work it ('abad, 'to serve') and to take of it. Whatever work [Adam] did was therefore described as his service to God." , PRODUCTIVITY, and PURPOSE were part of God's plan for man from the very beginning. WE AS GOD'S PEOPLE ARE DESIGNED TO BE WORKERS! Through our : (1) We serve people (2) We meet our own household needs and debt obligations (3) We meet our family's needs (4) We earn money to give to others and (5) We love others.
The TITHE - we return 10% (the Tithe) to enable the Lord to cause the BLESSING to minister and manifest in our lives - power, peace, provision and protection. Malachi 3:10 - 12 (NLT) - "Bring all the tithes into the storehouse so there will be enough food in my Temple. If you do," says the LORD of Heaven's Armies, "I will open the windows of heaven for you. I will pour out a blessing so great you won't have enough room to take it in! Try it! Put me to the test! 11 Your crops will be abundant, for I will guard them from insects and disease. Your grapes will not fall from the vine before they are ripe," says the LORD of Heaven's Armies. 12 "Then all nations will call you blessed, for your land will be such a delight," says the LORD of Heaven's Armies." Read Hebrews 7:1 - 8 Tithing the is basically our: (1) getting into Heaven for Christ our Lord to receive and our (2) given on earth into the Offering at/in Church for our Church to receive. Tithing is not a LAW but and a beginning of Generosity! Read Luke 16:1 - 13 (KJV).

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