

FAITH FOR YOUR FINANCES PROSPERITY GOD'S WAY SERIES

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TEXT: Proverbs 3:3 Do not let kindness and truth leave you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart. 4 So you will find favor and good repute in the sight of God and man. 5 Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding. 6 In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths. 7 Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD and depart from evil. 8 It will be health to your flesh, and strength to your bones. 9 Honor the LORD with your possessions, and with the firstfruits of all your increase. 10 So your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will overflow with new wine.

INTRO: I want to share some foundational truths about faith before I specifically talk about faith for your finances.

I. FOUNDATIONAL TRUTHS ABOUT FAITH

A. 1 Corinthians 13:13 And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

1. The greatest of the cardinal virtues is love, but faith is up there with hope and love.

B. Mark 11:22 And Jesus answered saying to them, "Have faith in God. 23 Truly I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, 'Be taken up and cast into the sea,' and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says is going to happen, it will be *granted* him. 24 Therefore I say to you, all things for which you pray and ask, believe that you have received them, and they will be *granted* you. 25 Whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone, so that your Father who is in heaven will also forgive you your transgressions."

C. DEFINITION OF FAITH

1. Hebrews 11:1 Now faith is the assurance of *things* hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. 2 For by it the men of old gained approval.

D. FAITH IS OBEYING GOD

1. John 3:36 "He who believes in the Son has eternal life; but he who does not obey the Son will not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him."
2. The basic expression of our faith is manifested in our giving.

3. Abraham in Genesis 22:12.
 4. Malachi 3:10 “Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in My house, and test Me now in this,” says the LORD of hosts, “if I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you a blessing until it overflows. 11 Then I will rebuke the devourer for you, so that it will not destroy the fruits of the ground; nor will your vine in the field cast *its grapes*,” says the LORD of hosts.
 5. Luke 16:10-11 — Faithful in little... faithful with money.
 6. Matthew 6:25 “For this reason I say to you, do not be worried about your life, *as to* what you will eat or what you will drink; nor for your body, *as to* what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? 26 Look at the birds of the air, that they do not sow, nor reap nor gather into barns, and *yet* your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not worth much more than they? 27 And who of you by being worried can add a *single* hour to his life? 28 And why are you worried about clothing? Observe how the lilies of the field grow; they do not toil nor do they spin, 29 yet I say to you that not even Solomon in all his glory clothed himself like one of these. 30 But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is *alive* today and tomorrow is thrown into the furnace, *will He* not much more *clothe* you? You of little faith! 31 Do not worry then, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear for clothing?’ 32 For the Gentiles eagerly seek all these things; for your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. 33 But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.”
 7. The Lord has been teaching me to not look to man for my provision but to God.
 8. People come and go, but God will never leave you nor forsake you.
 9. How God provided for TheCall in 2000-2003.
 10. How God supernaturally provided for the Ambassador Auditorium.
- E. PRACTICAL FAITH: Proverbs 3:3-10**
1. **WALK IN KINDNESS AND TRUTH: Proverbs 3:3-4**
 2. **PUT GOD FIRST: “In all your ways acknowledge Him” – Proverbs 3:6**
 3. **TRUST IN GOD AND NOT IN YOURSELF: Proverbs 3:5**
 4. **WALK IN THE FEAR OF THE LORD AND TURN FROM EVIL: Proverbs 3:7**
 5. **BRING YOUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS AND FIRSTFRUITS OFFERING: Proverbs 3:9-10**

6. MEDITATE ON GOD’S WORD: Romans 10:17

F. FAITH IN THE DEATH AND RESURRECTION OF JESUS

1. Jesus died for our sins and rose again. We know that He took our sickness (Isaiah 53), but He also took the curse of poverty.
2. **Galatians 3:13** Christ redeemed us from the curse of the Law, having become a curse for us — for it is written, “**CURSED IS EVERYONE WHO HANGS ON A TREE.**”
3. **2 Corinthians 8:9** For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor, so that you through His poverty might become rich.

CONCLUSION: I want to give you an invitation to repent and to surrender your life to Jesus in faith.