

## God Wants Us to Prosper

Having a solid understanding of any subject is important, and the Lord gives us the Wisdom through His Word.

**Proverbs 4:7 (NKJV)** Wisdom is the **principal thing (first or highest in importance)** Therefore get wisdom. And in all your getting, get understanding.

“Getting wisdom is the wisest thing you can do!” Why? **Because wisdom sees every issue from God’s perspective**—it is His answer to every challenge we face. When attaining wisdom is given top priority in your life, it will unravel and untangle every mess!

**Proverbs 24:3-4 (NKJV)** Through wisdom a house is built, And by understanding it is established; <sup>4</sup>By knowledge the rooms are filled With all precious and pleasant riches.

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Prosperity in the Bible is a **blessing from the Lord that includes financial, physical, and spiritual well being.**

**Psalm 25:13 (NIV2011)**

*They will spend **their** days in prosperity, and their **descendants** will inherit the land.*

**3 John 1:2 (NKJV)** Beloved, I pray that you may prosper in all things and be in health, just as your soul prospers.

### BACKGROUND ON JOHN

John was as an eyewitness to Jesus’ ministry, including His death and resurrection, and as one of the three most intimate associates of the Lord (John together with Peter and James), John begins his first epistle by affirming the physical reality of Jesus Christ’s having come “in the flesh” In addition to the three epistles, John also authored the fourth Gospel, in which he identified himself as the disciple “whom Jesus loved” and as the one who reclined on Jesus’ breast at the Last Supper. John knew Jesus very well which should cause us to look closely to what is said in John’s writing. He was moved by the Holy Spirit to write what was written.

**2 Peter 1:20-21 (NKJV)** knowing this first, that **no prophecy of Scripture** is of any private interpretation, <sup>21</sup> for **prophecy never came by the will of man**, but holy men of God spoke as *they were* moved by the Holy Spirit.

**2 Timothy 3:16-17 (NKJV)** All **Scripture is given by inspiration of God**, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, <sup>17</sup> that the **man** of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

**The word “MAN” used is without distinction of sex think of it as people.**

**3 John 1:2 (NKJV)** Beloved, I pray that **YOU MAY PROSPER IN ALL THINGS** and be in health, just **AS YOUR SOUL PROSPERS**.

**Romans 12:2 (NKJV)** And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

**Renewing your mind means seeing every issue from God's perspective. The WORD of God gives us God's perspective.**

God delights in the prosperity of His children (**Psalm 35:27**). Did you know that? Do you believe it? If you are struggling to accept God's provision, or if you doubt that God wants you to prosper in every area of life, then check out what His Word says about the subject:

If I was in a court room this is the evidence I would present to the Jury. Today you are the Jury and at the end you decide.

**Joshua 1:8:** "Study this Book of Instruction continually. Meditate on it day and night so you will be sure to obey everything written in it. Only then will you prosper and succeed in all you do" (*NLT*).

**Psalm 1:1-3:** "Oh, the joys of those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or stand around with sinners, or join in with mockers. But they delight in the law of the Lord, meditating on it day and night. They are like trees planted along the riverbank, bearing fruit each season. Their leaves never wither, and they prosper in all they do."

**Deuteronomy 8:18:** "**Remember the Lord your God.** He is the one who gives you power to be successful, in order to fulfill the covenant he confirmed to your ancestors with an oath" (*NLT*).

**Proverbs 13:22:** "Good people leave an inheritance to their grandchildren, but the sinner's wealth passes to the godly."

**Psalm 35:27:** "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'" (*NKJV*).

**Psalm 84:11:** "For the Lord God is our sun and our shield. He gives us grace and glory. The Lord will withhold no good thing from those who do what is right" (*NLT*).

**Proverbs 10:22:** “The blessing of the Lord makes a person rich, and he adds no sorrow with it” (NKJV).

**Proverbs 13:21:** “Trouble chases sinners, while blessings reward the righteous.”

### **I REST MY CASE. DOES THE JURY SIDE WITH THE EVIDENCE?**

Begin meditating on these verses. Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal their truth to you and to show you how that truth applies to every area of your life. Then begin to confess them over yourself and over your family. Here’s an example:

*Lord, I thank You that You want my family and me to prosper and be in health even as our souls prosper because we are Your children. We know that as we study, follow and obey Your Word, we will succeed in all we do. Each of us is like a tree planted along the riverbank, bearing good fruit each season. We know that You give us the power to be successful in all You’ve called us to do. We trust You when You promise to bring sinners’ wealth to us because we know that You receive pleasure when we, Your servants, prosper. We know that You won’t withhold any good thing from us and that Your blessing makes us, the righteous, rich. And we praise You for all You are doing in and through us!*

Let us know how the Lord begins to work in your life as you begin meditating and confessing these scriptures. We want to celebrate with you!