

One last powerful scripture for your consideration is found in **Romans 8:32**:

32. He that spared not His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, **how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?**

Anything and everything we could ever possibly need, want or desire is found in Christ! It is taken care of through and by His anointing. **Our dependency should not be in our ability to work for a living in this world, but it should be in His ability to provide whatever we need through His Word and by His anointing.**

Next week we will look at how Jesus became our substitute and sacrifice at Calvary.

Scripture Meditation for this Week:

And God is able to make all grace (every favor and earthly blessing) come to you in abundance, so that you may always and under all circumstances and whatever the need, be self-sufficient -- possessing enough to require no aid or support and furnished in abundance for every good work and charitable donation.

2 Corinthians 9:8, The Amplified Bible

Two of the major keys to releasing the laws of prosperity to work for you are: your words and your giving. You must develop a life-style of giving and then, water your giving with words of faith and blessing. Add to that the power of consistency, and your days of poverty and lack will be over!

God bless you throughout this week and remember, Jesus is Lord!
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Good News... You're Redeemed! Part 5

This week we will look at the third major area which is covered by our redemption in Christ Jesus: prosperity. Spiritual death, sickness and disease, and poverty; all three are the results of man's sin in the garden. Prosperity is the result of being redeemed from poverty.

Just in the same manner that God never desired for man to experience sickness or death, He never intended for any man to go through life unable to enjoy the vast abundance of God's creation. Poverty, lack and want all came into existence because of sin; not as the result of any desire on God's part.

One look at the garden of Eden will show you God's plan was for man to enjoy a world of total abundance. **Prosperity was and still is God's idea.** Man did not dream up prosperity. In fact, if it hadn't of been for God teaching him, man would not know the difference between gold and dirt!

If God had not determined that gold was precious and something to be valued, man would not have known the difference between gold and dirt! **Man derived his original sense of value of things from God.** That sense of value still remains in man, even though it has been perverted by Satan's influence over time.

One of the most outstanding scriptures in the Bible which clearly shows how God has delivered us from the curse of poverty is seen in **2 Corinthians 8:9**:

- 9. For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that you through His poverty might be rich.

Jesus became poor at Calvary in His substitutionary work of becoming everything we were through the fall of Adam. His identification with fallen man by becoming a man and then through obedience taking into Himself our sin and sickness and poverty, puts us in a position where we can identify with Him in His resurrection and through Him receive our needs met according to His riches in glory by the agency of His anointing.

There is nothing godly about poverty. There is nothing holy about lack. It is no witness of God's saving grace when you are living in debt and can't get your bills paid. There is no glory given to God when a Christian files bankruptcy. **All of these things are the result of man's union with the devil and God has paid an awesome price for our deliverance from every aspect of financial and material lack and want.**

Prosperity must be stood for by faith just the same way you stand for the forgiveness of sin or the healing of your physical body. It is not automatic. Satan will fight you in every area of your life and he certainly is not going to let you walk in the abundance of financial and material wealth without attempting to defeat you through pressure and adverse circumstances.

One thing must be mentioned about prosperity that must be understood if you are going to enter into that realm with any amount of success. Prosperity is highly governed by spiritual law. It is too powerful and dangerous to be left to chance.

The reason there is so much teaching on money and instruction to the rich found in the Scriptures is because the financial and material world is a very powerful part of natural life. **Satan built his whole kingdom upon the control of the commerce of this world's system. He knows how to use the pressure of that system to expose men's weakness of character and lack of true faith in God.**

Our redemption is not only from the bondage of poverty and lack, but it also includes our deliverance from the control and influence of this present evil age. Look at several scriptures where this is concerned.

Galatians 1:3-4:

- 3. Grace be to you and peace from God the Father, and from our Lord Jesus Christ,
- 4. **Who gave Himself for our sins, that He might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father.**

Colossians 1:12-14:

- 12. Giving thanks unto the Father, **who has already made us able to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light:**
- 13. **Who has delivered us from the power of darkness,** and has already translated us into the kingdom of His dear Son:
- 14. **In Whom we have redemption through His blood,** even the forgiveness of sins...

Notice how God's will is for us to be totally free from the power of the world and it's affects. As born again, redeemed believers, we are delivered from living under the tyranny of Satan and the kingdom of darkness. Our life is to be lived out of the abundance of heaven and God's riches in glory!