

## **Understanding The mysteries of God concerning HIM as Our Only Source Handout #4**

**We are living The Separation Effect. No matter what is going on around us, we remain protected, prospering and healthy.**

### **1. Perilous Times Are Here** 2 Timothy 3:1

- a. This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.
- b. Perilous (GK) = Difficult, dark, dangerous, furious, fierce, hard to take, troublesome, savage, tough
- c. (NRSV) You must understand this, that in the last days distressing times will come.
- d. (AMPC) But understand this, that in the last days will come (set in) perilous times of great stress and trouble [hard to deal with and hard to bear].
- E. We are now in those end times. The world is in serious trouble.
- F. However we as believers are not in serious trouble.
- G. There are hidden truths for us to live an abundant life during these times. (Matthew 13: 10-11)
- H. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. **(John 17:16)**

### **2. We Are Not Subject to the Times)**

Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints of light: who has delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son: in whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins. (Colossians 1:12-14)

- a. God wants us to experience the fullness of His glory. To have days of heaven on earth. (Matthew 18:18)
- b. We no longer live under the dominion, rule, control or influence of whatever direction the world system is going.
- C. We are now subject to and governed by another economy and another system called, "the kingdom of God."
- d. We are subject to the authority of God's WORD, the blood of Jesus and the Name of Jesus.
- E Unlike the world we as believers can prosper and thrive in tough times with no anxiety, no worries no frustrations or stress because of Jesus Victory at the cross. (John 16:33).
- F. We are no longer subject to the times. The times are subject to us.
- G. We are as separated from this world's system as Jesus. (John 17:16)
- h. Verse 17 Sanctify (separate) them from the world through the WORD.
- i. Jesus keeps us protected from the world's system. So, as believers and disciples of Christ we follow another way of doing things that always turns out right

### **3. The World receives provision through its self-efforts however believers must know how to use spiritual laws to receive provision from God.**

- A. A law is defined as a spiritual principle that works the same way for everyone who gets involved in it. We have been delivered from the Law of Moses, which

dictated to the people that to get good, they first had to do good. However, we are still subject to other laws governing certain aspects of the spiritual realm.

**b.** Christians who have been born again have come to the end of the law (Romans 10:4), but the law is still valid and operational for those who are not saved (1 Timothy 1:8-10).

**C.** Grace has already made available everything pertaining to life and godliness (2 Peter 1:3).

**D.** By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand and rejoice in hope of the glory of God (Romans 5:2).

**E.** By faith, we gain access to what grace made available. This is how we receive God's provision for our lives.

**F.** God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith (Romans 12:3), but it is up to us to decide how to use that faith.

**g.** We get the faith we need from hearing the Word regarding the specific need we have. So, then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God (Romans 10:17).

**h.** If you have a need for finances, you should be hearing the Word on finances no difference if you need healing you need to hear the Word on healing.

**i.** The entire kingdom of God depends on His Word.

**J.** Trying to live as Christians without the Word limits the potential for manifestation of what grace made available.

**k.** The Word is incorruptible seed (1 Peter 1:23) that will always produce, and never fail. If we do not see a result of our sowing, the problem will never be with the seed; it will always be with the soil. Our hearts can be considered the soil.

#### **4. There are numerous misconceptions that God does not care about money.** (Mark 12:41-44).

**A.** And Jesus sat over against the treasury and beheld how the people cast money into the treasury: and many that were rich cast in much. And there came a certain poor widow, and she threw in two mites, which make a farthing. And he called unto him his disciples, and saith unto them, Verily I say unto you, That this poor widow hath cast more in, than all they which have cast into the treasury: For all they did cast in of their abundance; but she of her want did cast in all that she had, even all her living. (Mark 12:41-44)

**b.** Giving is an act of your faith and trust in God. One reason people are afraid to give is that they reason they need their money to take care of life's necessities. These people do not believe (Philippians 4:19)

**c.** Jesus was specifically watching to see how much people gave. This Scripture contradicts the assumption that God does not care about money.

**d.** The woman did not give more than the wealthy people according to the dollar amount, but greatly outgave them because she gave all she had. By comparison, the rich men had money left over after they gave.

**e.** Giving is an issue of trust, not finances. It is all about whether we choose to serve God or the spirit of mammon that attaches itself to money. Ye cannot serve God and mammon (Luke 16:13).

**f.** For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows (1 Timothy 6:10).

**g.** Another reason people are afraid to give is because they are afraid of being accused of loving money. People are afraid to be associated with the Word prosperity especially in finances.

**h.** This Scripture is often misinterpreted. It does not say money itself is the root of all evil, but a wrong relationship with it.

**i.** "The love of money" results when we love what money can do for us more than God and what He can do for us.

**j.** It is okay to have money if money does not have us. To be truly rich is to be whole, with nothing missing and nothing broken. This is what God wants for us.

**k.** Giving is the number one way to break the hold that the spirit of mammon tries to put on our lives.

**l.** Whether we trust the Spirit of God or the spirit of mammon affects how we live our lives.

**m.** If we do not trust God in our finances, neither will we truly trust Him with healing or in any other area of our lives. We must believe Him in the area of giving and receiving.

**n.** Jesus had plenty to say about money. He cautioned against making it into a god and explained that no one can serve two masters (Matthew 6:24; Luke 16:13).

**o.** Every time Jesus talked about the issue of money, it was really about trust.

#### **4. We tend to trust God as our source in most issues, but believe we are our own source in financial issues. We are not our own source.**

(Proverbs10:22)

**a.** When Jesus went out, someone ran to him and asked what to do to inherit eternal life. Jesus told him to obey the commandments, and the man answered he had obeyed them all since childhood. Jesus told the man to sell all he had and give to the poor, and he would have treasure in heaven, and take up the cross and follow him (Mark10:17-24).

**b.** Jesus' answer to the man involved money, and it was designed to test his trust in God.

**c.** He who ministers seed to the sower both ministers' bread for your food, and multiplies your seed sown, and increases the fruits of your righteousness (2 Corinthians 9:10).

**d.** If we want to be givers, God knows how to get seed to us, whether it is a job or anything else we need.

**e.** The multiplication is on the seed we give, not on the bread we consume for ourselves. This multiplication automatically begins when a believer gives in faith and trust.

**f.** Let him who stole steal no more, but rather let him labor, working with his hands the thing, which is good, that he may have to give to him who needs (Ephesians 4:28).

**G.** We work so that we can help others. Employment provides us with seed we can sow into others' lives.

**H.** I have coveted no man's silver, gold, or apparel. You yourselves know that these hands have ministered to my necessities, and to them who were with me. I have showed you all things, how that so laboring you ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of our Lord Jesus, how he said it is more blessed to give than to receive (Acts 20:33-35).

**i.** Christians are givers, and our willingness to give indicates our level of trust in God.

**5. We are not to be concerned about our provision or Supplies that we need. Our Kingdom provides for us to live in the Overflow which Is the Will of God**

**a** description of the Overflow: Being able to pay your tithes; Give your offerings Pay all your bills; With much left-over.

**b.** The overflow is different from "just enough."

**C.** "We need to be talking the language of overflow John 10:10 (AMPC)— "The thief comes only in order to steal, kill and destroy. I came that they may have and enjoy life, and have it abundance (to the full, till it overflows)."

**d.** We must not limit the Holy One of Israel (Psalm 78:41)

**e.** Our God is not the God of not enough.

**F.** Our God is not even the God of just enough.

**G.** Our God is the God of more than enough.

**H.** We serve a too-much God!

**i.** You've got to put your eyes on the Word to keep in faith, otherwise you begin to say what's around you, instead of what's in you."

**6. Always remember why God calls you victorious.**

**a.** Why does God want you to be victorious? It is simple. God does not want you concerned about how you going to pay this or that. He wants you to be busy about His business.

**b.** If God gives you a business or job or ministry the purpose is always about His business.

**C.** God does not make you victorious and prosperous just for the purpose of raising your standard of living. He prospers you so that you can raise your standard of giving. Thus, creating more victories than you can possibly even imagine.

**D.** Genesis 12:2 says: "And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing."

**E.** The call of God upon Abraham can be the model for God's call to us.

**F.** Just as God promised to bless Abraham, He will also bless us. Why does God desire to bless His people? So that we might become a blessing to others.

**G.** 2 Corinthians 9:8 in the Amplified Bible says: "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]."

**H.** No doubt, God wants us experiencing victory. so, we can fund every good work and charitable donation.